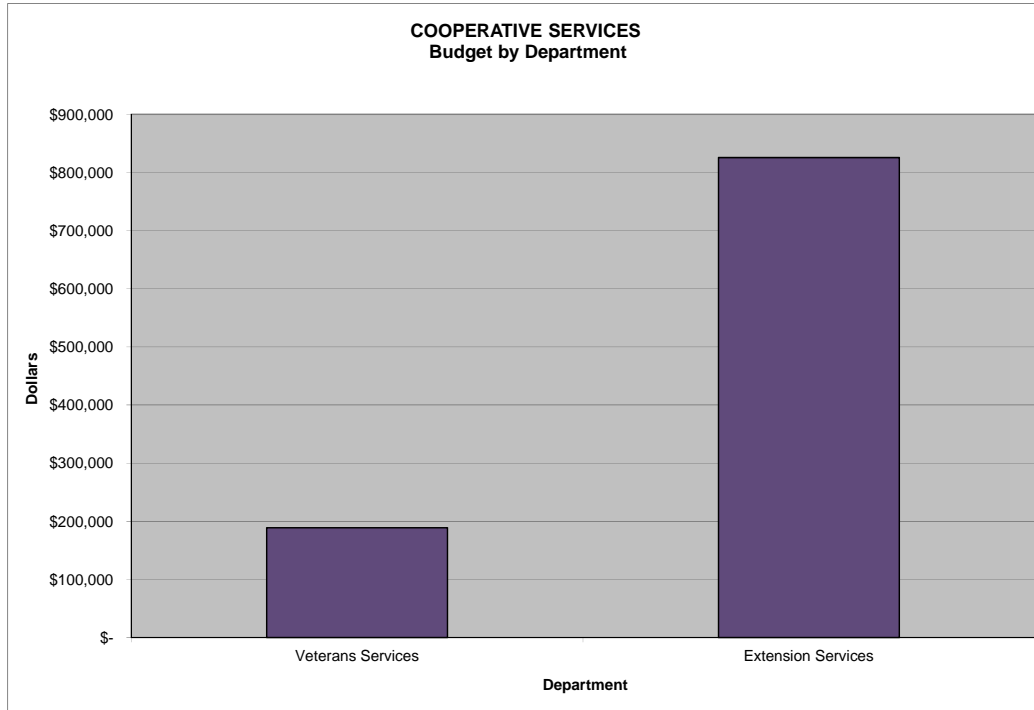
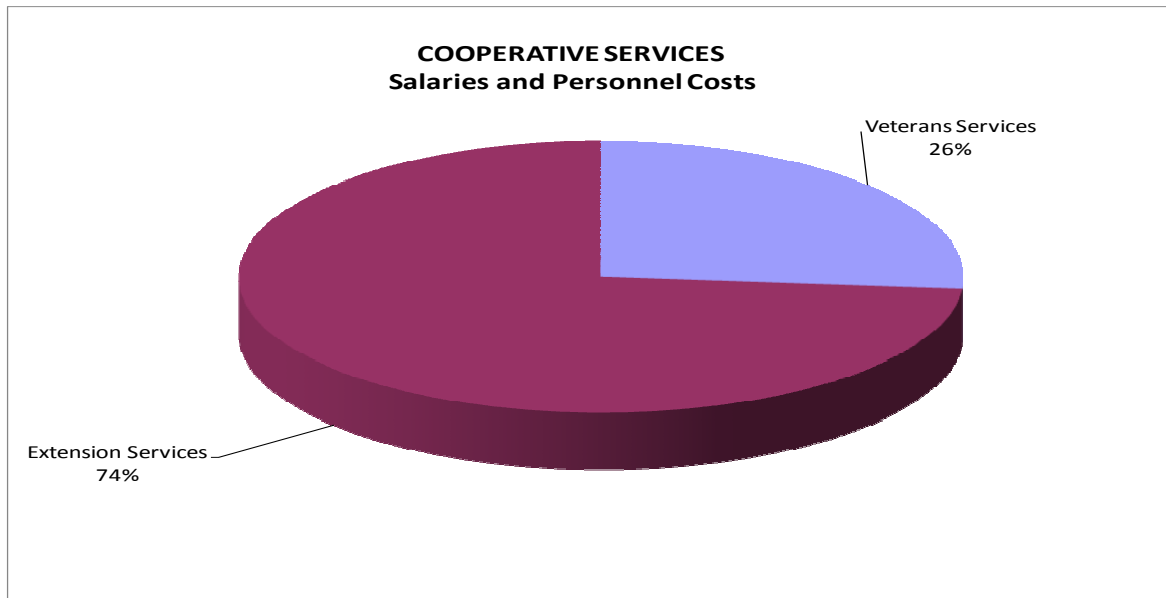


## COOPERATIVE SERVICES



Cooperative Services consists of two departments of which Extension Services generates 81.39% of all Cooperative Services costs. Salaries and Personnel Costs from both departments constitute 66.75% of this activity, whereas, Operating and Training Costs make up 29.95%, Information Technology Costs make up 0.00% and Capital Acquisitions make up 3.30%. The graph below shows a break down of the Salaries and Personnel Costs.



**HISTORY OF FULL TIME EQUIVALENTS**

Cooperative Services	2010	2011	2012	2012	2012	2012
	Total FTE's	Total FTE's	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total FTE's	Total Cost
Extension Services	10.00	9.00	9.00	0.00	9.00	\$ 498,327
Veterans Services	4.00	4.00	3.00	0.00	3.00	\$ 178,826
<b>TOTAL FTE</b>	<b>14.00</b>	<b>13.00</b>	<b>12.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>12.00</b>	<b>\$ 677,153</b>

**COOPERATIVE SERVICES EXPENSE BUDGET**

CATEGORY	2010 ACTUAL	2011 ADOPTED	2012 ADOPTED
Salaries & Personnel Costs	\$ 651,579	\$ 738,129	\$ 677,153
Operating & Training Costs	\$ 276,836	\$ 319,140	\$ 303,795
Information Technology Costs	\$ 4,329	\$ 10,059	\$ -
Capital Acquisitions	\$ -	\$ 18,500	\$ 33,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 932,744</b>	<b>\$ 1,085,828</b>	<b>\$ 1,014,449</b>

## **EXTENSION SERVICE**

### **MISSION**

Texas *AgriLife* Extension Service educates Texans in the areas of agriculture, environmental stewardship, youth and adult life skills, human capital and leadership, and community economic development. Texas *AgriLife* Extension Service offers knowledge resources of the land-grant university system to educate Texans for self-improvement, individual action, and community problem solving. Texas *AgriLife* Extension Service is a statewide educational agency and a member of the Texas A&M System linked in a unique partnership with the nationwide Cooperative Extension System and Texas County governments. Texas *AgriLife* Extension Service values and promotes the principles of citizens and community involvement, scientifically-based education, lifelong learning, and volunteerism. It provides access to its services to all citizens and works cooperatively with other members of the Texas A&M System and external agencies and organizations to achieve its goals.

In Fort Bend County, the mission of Texas *AgriLife* Extension Service is to provide County residents with a comprehensive array of services which will empower them with self-sufficiency skills and allow them to maximize their talents resulting in an improved quality of life which positively impacts the Fort Bend County community.

The Mission will be accomplished through maximizing available resources, educational programming, informational and referral services, community development activities, and volunteerism.

### **VISION**

Fort Bend County to be recognized as the premier County among Extension offices in providing quality, research-based information, based on expressed needs of the people.

### **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

Educate Fort Bend County residents to take more responsibility for improving their health, safety, productivity and well being.

Educate Fort Bend County residents to improve their stewardship of the environment and Texas' natural resources.

Enable Fort Bend County residents to make decisions that contribute to their economic security and to the County's economic prosperity.

Foster the development of responsible, productive, and self-motivated youth and adults.

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

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**EXTENSION SERVICE**

<b>PERFORMANCE MEASURES</b>	<b>FY 2010 ACTUAL</b>	<b>FY 2011 ACTUAL</b>	<b>2012 PROJECTED</b>
Educational program attendance & Individual contacts (office/ site visits, phone calls, mail/ faxed)	190,000	192,553	211,803
Media Outreach	145	145	145
Number of newsletters/publications distributed	4,500	7,650	7,726
Volunteers trained	250	275	285
Individual contacts by volunteers	11,733	12,658	13,923
Method and Result demonstrations	2	2	4
Attendance at volunteer-conducted group methods	4,067	5,906	5,965
Number of 9-19 year-olds taught 4-H & Youth Development	65,393	98,145	100,000
Number of 4-H Clubs in the county	21	19	24
Total Contacts	381,708	317,353	339,875



## **VETERAN SERVICES**

### **MISSION**

The Veterans Service Office will actively promote the rights of Fort Bend County veterans and their dependents, and work collaboratively with the Department of Veterans Affairs, Texas Veterans Commission and other Veterans Organizations to ensure that they receive the benefits to which they are entitled for the sacrifices they endured.

### **GOALS**

#### **Incorporate New Technology**

1. Input data into VIMS (Veterans Information Management System)
2. Track claims that are prepared by the County Service Office on a monthly basis
3. Track claims, collect award data, and report expenditure information from County Service Office to the Commissioners Court on an annual basis

#### **Accreditation for Assistant Veterans Service Officer**

1. Completion of accreditation training through the Texas Veteran's Commission.
2. Establish access to the Benefits Delivery Network for Assistant Veterans Service Officer.
3. Maintain annual certification and accreditation.

#### **Add new Assistant Veterans Service Officer**

1. Provide total County-wide coverage and access to all Fort Bend County Veterans, Surviving Spouses and Dependents.
2. To handle the increase in claims within Fort Bend County.

#### **Identify elderly Homebound Veterans and Surviving Spouses**

1. Input data for Veterans and Surviving Spouses currently residing in nursing homes and assisted living facilities within VIM database.
2. Review and update data bi-annually to maintain an accurate count of Veterans and Surviving Spouses in these facilities.

#### **Increase outreach with local Veterans Organizations**

1. Schedule site visits and seminars with veterans' organization and brainstorm ways to improve services to veterans.
2. Conduct an annual forum to exchange information relative to Veterans of Fort Bend County with local Veterans Organizations.

## VETERAN SERVICES

PERFORMANCE MEASURES	2010 ACTUAL	2011 PROJECTED	2012 PROJECTED
Number of applicants seen by VSO	645	619	729
Number of Claims submitted	348	225	345

FUND: 100 General

ACCOUNTING UNIT: 100667100 Veterans Service

### EXPENSE BUDGET

CATEGORY	2010 ACTUAL	2011 ADOPTED	2012 ADOPTED
Salaries & Personnel Costs	\$ 174,898	\$ 225,501	\$ 178,826
Operating & Training Costs	\$ 8,659	\$ 11,964	\$ 9,960
Information Technology Costs	\$ 1,423	\$ 3,234	\$ -
Capital Acquisitions	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 184,980</b>	<b>\$ 240,699</b>	<b>\$ 188,786</b>

### 2012 AUTHORIZED POSITION

Job Title	Job Code	Grade	Count
Clerk II	J06007	G06	1
Assistant Veteran Services Officer	J09085	G09	1
Veteran Services Officer	J11076	G11	1
<b>Total Authorized Positions</b>			<b>3</b>

### ORGANIZATION CHART

