



May Newsletter

An in-depth look at the growing Republican movement in Cameron County.

CCRP Chairwoman's Corner



The month of May is National Military Appreciation Month and while this observance is designated for individuals who are currently serving as well as for veterans—the month of May was selected specifically because of Memorial Day. Senator John McCain proposed the month-long observance on February 9, 1999. In April of that same year, Congress recognized the month after a unanimous vote of

93-0. Thus, we take one month out of the year to recognize the immense sacrifices of our servicemen and women all the while honoring the heroes who paid the ultimate sacrifice. It is a small gesture that serves to remind Americans of the cost of freedom.

I was recently asked by a French journalist about what drives my desire to be involved in politics. It was a thought-provoking question and one I have periodically thought about since that particular conversation. My response? My faith is first and foremost and is the single driving force behind all else that follows such as the values I want to see reflected in the public square and the love of my country—a country that affords me the freedom to worship as I so choose.

Having just participated in a Memorial Day event where I, along with other volunteers of the community, laid flags on the graves of those who served our country—I am acutely aware of all the lives lost so that I may have the very freedoms that I hold so dear. I left the cemetery with a renewed resolve to continue to be a fierce advocate for the very values and freedoms that so many have given their lives for. What better way to honor their sacrifice?

It is my hope that the month of May was a time of reflection for you as well. How can we honor those who have gone before us in the fight for life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness year-around? My suggestion—get involved locally and encourage others to do so.

See you on the frontlines,



May Recap

The Cameron County Republican Party held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 27th at 6:00PM at Mi Torito Restaurant in Brownsville.



We had over 60 people in attendance and 3 candidates running for a variety of positions spoke.



May 26th was Memorial Day and our party volunteers spent the early morning hours of a Saturday placing flags on the graves of servicemen and women at Old City Cemetery in Brownsville. It was a somber reminder of all who have gone before us and given so much for the freedoms we enjoy today. Thank you to the Brownsville Historical Association for hosting this event!



The CCRP Events and Community Engagement Committee helped collect items to donate to the brand new Pregnancy Center of Brownsville!



Thank you to Mauro Garza for his donation of "Register to Vote Here" banners for the local party!



The Cameron County Republican Party was proud to be able to support UTRGV students during "Finals Week" by handing out a variety of refreshments to students on campus. The overall

response was very positive. Staff and students appreciated the gesture during what is known to be a very stressful week!

Thank you to Celena Cisneros, CCRP Precinct 48 Chair, for organizing and leading this event! Thank you to Alexis Uscanga as well for assisting! Both Celena and Alexis had their own final exams to take yet they managed to simultaneously volunteer for the party and ace their exams!



Thank you to our volunteers: CCRP Chairwoman, Deborah Bell, Precinct 98 Chair, Eddie Gonzales, Precinct 5 Chair, Eddie Padron, Precinct 48 Chair, Celena Cisneros, and Events and Community Engagement Chair, Sylvia Escamilla for their volunteer efforts! You represented us well!



State Republican Executive Committee (SREC) Update

A few updates from Jeneria Lewis, our SREC Senate District 27 Committeewoman:

- Several excellent bills that protect Texas children and create stiff penalties for crimes against children have passed
- Gold and silver as a legal tender have been voted out of both the House and Senate and are awaiting the Governor's signature
- The next meeting for the **SREC is June 12-13**, in *Austin, TX*
- The Texas House chose not to prioritize *Ban Taxpayer Funded Lobbying* (there were 3 different bills in 3 different committees and none were voted out)
- To keep up with the **Texas 89th Legislature Regular Session** (i.e. bills, votes, video broadcasts, meetings, & calendars) please click the link below

Texas 89th Legislature Regular Session

For more information you can reach SREC SD27 Committeewoman, Jeneria Lewis, by e-mail or phone.

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Meet Your CCRP Precinct Chairs

My name is Chris Hughston and I am the CCRP Precinct 3 Chair. Born and raised in Cameron County, I never had any interest in living anywhere else. While there are lots of neat places to visit-this was and always will be home. I was raised by Republican parents who were very active in the 60s so it was natural to participate in the local party while raising my first batch of kids. I wanted to raise them in our unique culture and as such wanted to do what I could to help make our little corner of Texas better . Twenty-five years ago I had the privilege of serving on the State Party Platform Committee , sub chairing the same committee , serving on the By-laws committee (all different years obviously) and even running for State Representative. Because of huge support from Cameron County Republicans, we made a pretty good showing of it. Life changes took me away from an active role in the party but as the CCRP leadership recently changed I knew it was time to get back into the fray. My wife (Alicia) and I are raising a beautiful 4 and a half year old girl and have been very active Foster Parents . I still want to make the Valley a better place to live for her and all the children that call the Valley home . The difference between now and then is that the Valley is prospering in ways that were hard to imagine 25 years ago. Just as hard to believe is the moral and ethical decline we have witnessed across the world, the country, and sadly, even Texas. The fight for conservative values is more important today than any other time in our lives. I am glad to be participating again and very proud of those who have taken on serious leadership positions in the Cameron County Republican Party.

JUNE Calendar of Republican Events in Cameron County:

- **06/03/25** NO REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF CAMERON COUNTY MEETING

- **06/04/25** The Republican Club of Brownsville will meet at 12:00PM at the Brownsville Elks Lodge (#2876) located on Veterans Blvd
- **06/10/25** True Texas Project will meet from 6:30-8:00PM at Reyna's BBQ in Harlingen
- **06/14/25** Trump Train will meet at 9:15AM at Los Fresnos City Hall
- **06/15/2025** HAPPY FATHER'S DAY
- **06/16/25** The North Cameron County Republican Club will meet at 6:30PM at the Harlingen Public Library
- **06/24/25** NO CAMERON COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY MEETING



Featured Flyers!

The following are "shareable" flyers for some of the upcoming events for the month of June. If you'd like to have your club or organization's flyer featured please e-mail Chairwoman Bell at: bellforcameroncountygopchair@gmail.com.



DONATE NOW

From the 2020 Primary Election to the 2024 Primary Election Cameron County saw a 44% increase in Republican voter turnout. The enthusiasm that this past presidential cycle brought about is no doubt monumental for our county. With so much enthusiasm in what has long been deemed a Democratic stronghold in Texas, we (the local Republican Party) feel it is our mission to continue to help propel the movement forward. We are up against the "swamp" as President Trump would say. In 2023, George Soros donated \$100,000 to the Cameron County Democratic Party and they are hard at work trying to ensure that Cameron County remains blue. We are diligently fighting

Small Business of the Month

This month's small business feature is **Mi Torito Restaurant** located in Brownsville, Tx! If you're looking for authentic Mexican food-look no further. With some of the best flour tortillas around, there's no way you'll leave hungry!



Hours of operation are Monday-Sunday from 6:30AM-3:00PM..

To view their full menu click the link below!

to counter their efforts and your donation will enable us to do exactly that. On behalf of the Cameron County Republican Party, we thank you for your support.

**Donate
Now**

Mi Torito Restaurant

We are looking for small business owners in Cameron County that are aligned with our values. We would love to feature your small business in our monthly newsletter! If interested, please click the link below to complete the submission form.

Small Business Submission Form



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