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April 27th is our  
14th Annual  
Cinco de Mayo  
Fundraiser!

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## Join FBS at our 14th Annual Cinco de Mayo Fundraiser!

### How can I support this fundraiser?

#### 1. Purchase tickets

Tickets include adult beverages (for those 21+), Tex-Mex buffet, access to silent and live auctions/raffles/wine pull, and live entertainment. Buy a table and bring your friends to receive a discount!

#### 2. Donate an auction item

Own a local business and would like to contribute? Or, would you like to purchase an item for our auction? We welcome donations of new items that can be added to one of our festive auction baskets, or feel free to create a fun basket to donate! (Baskets should be a value of at least \$100. All donations are tax-deductible.)

#### 3. Volunteer at the event

We have many opportunities on the day of the event to help with setup, serving at the event, or cleanup! Click the link to sign up! [bit.ly/volunteercinco2019](http://bit.ly/volunteercinco2019)

#### 4. Tell your friends!

Share our event on your social networks! [Invite your friends to our Facebook event](#) or [share our event page!](#)



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Have any questions or want to help? [Email Meghan Person](#), our Development Coordinator.

## Community Champions Day: Leaders Deliver a Difference

On Thursday, March 21, 2019, local community leaders joined Fort Bend Seniors to participate in Community Champions Day, delivering meals to homebound seniors throughout Fort Bend County.

After learning about the array of FBS programs and the demographics of the seniors served through the programs, elected officials and police chiefs gathered in the FBS Meals on Wheels distribution kitchen to gather the day's meals to deliver to seniors on a local route.



"The services we provide are a lifeline to seniors in Fort Bend and Waller counties, and the need is rapidly increasing," said Manuela Arroyos, Chief Executive Officer of FBS. "By bringing officials into the community, they were able to see firsthand the difference a hot meal and a friendly visit can make for area seniors. We also showed them just how many seniors in our local community are unable to afford food and are at risk of hunger."

Community Champions included Fort Bend County Commissioner Ken DeMerchant (Pct. 4), Fort Bend County District Attorney Brian Middleton, Judge Juli Mathew (Fort Bend County Court at Law #3), Judge Toni Wallace (Fort Bend County Court at Law #4), Fort Bend County Constable Mike Beard (Pct. 1), Rosenberg Chief of Police Jonathan White, and Stafford Assistant Chief of Police Glynell Horn, Jr. [To read full press release, click here.](#)

See if your elected officials joined us! [View the photos](#) on our Facebook page.

## Senior Stories: Meet Nick, A Rising Artist

Meet Nick, a regular at our Rosenberg Congregate Center. He loves to draw and sketch, and has an entire sketchbook full of his work. But Nick is also legally blind. Though you wouldn't know it from his artistry, he is only able to see a



little if he tilts his head just right. Since he loves to draw, having limited sight hasn't stopped him.

On this particular day at Fort Bend Seniors, Case Manager Specialist Cathy (pictured right) stopped in to say hello to seniors she works with, including Nick. Nick then told her that he would draw her. In a few quick strokes, he had started. Our Executive Assistant Cynthia (pictured left) also walked through the center and she said a quick hello.



Little did either of them know that only a few hours later, Nick would come to the office and deliver two striking portraits! Cynthia was floored, she had only briefly seen Nick that morning as she walked by, but he still managed to get her hair just right, and even her pair of earrings. Cynthia's portrait is darker, like her hair and clothing choice that day, while Cathy's portrait was lighter to fit her hair and soft pink blouse--he was on point with everything.

From just a glimpse of his subjects, Nick produced amazing artwork! Our staff are so excited to hang these delightful portraits in their offices, and will tell anyone who asks about the incredible artist who made them.

Thank you to Nick for the beautiful artwork, and for allowing us to capture the moment in a photograph! We are blessed with such incredible seniors in our community.

## Need volunteer hours?

Are you in need of volunteer hours for school? Students (age 14+) can volunteer at our 14th Annual Cinco de Mayo Fundraiser on April 27th!

You can help FBS with setup, serving during the event, managing the silent auction tables, or cleanup. *Please note that if you are under 18, you are not allowed to serve alcohol or be behind the bar.* However, you may be asked to help refill waters, chips and salsa, and sodas.



Reserve your volunteer spot today at: <http://bit.ly/volunteercinco2019>

Our [Volunteer & Outreach Manager Rick Branek](#) (pictured left) and [Development Coordinator Meghan Person](#) (not pictured) will be on hand to answer any questions on the day of the event. If you have any questions before then, please reach out!

## Coffee With Rick Coming To Your Neighborhood!

IN WALLER COUNTY

WHEN: April 10, May 23, June 12

9:00-11:00am

WHERE: McDonalds, 1005 Austin St.,

Hempstead, TX 77445

# COFFEE WITH RICK

## IN FORT BEND COUNTY

WHEN: April 11, May 16, June 6  
8:30-9:30am

WHERE: Chick-fil-A, 2330 Hwy 6,  
Sugar Land



Rick Branek,  
Volunteer & Outreach  
Manager

Join us for coffee,  
conversation & Q&A.  
Current & prospective  
volunteers welcome!

Questions? Email Rick at [rick@fortbendseniors.org](mailto:rick@fortbendseniors.org).

## Current Volunteers, We Need Your Help to Update Our Volunteer Database!

Are you a current volunteer with Fort Bend Seniors? Then this message is for you!

We need to update our volunteer database, and need some information from you. Please complete the following by May 29th:

1. Complete an Online Confidentiality Training: <http://bit.ly/confidentialitytraining>
2. Send Us a Copy of Your Driver's License & Insurance Card
3. Review How to Correctly Fill Out Route Paperwork

For more information on what you need to do to update your volunteer profile, [view and print this Checklist!](#)

Need help or have questions? Call your Volunteer Department at 281-633-7053.

## Does someone you know need Meals on Wheels?

Do you have a friend or relative who has trouble getting out to buy groceries or preparing meals due to mobility issues? We may be a perfect fit! Contact us to learn more about meal delivery by calling 281-633-7049 or click the button below to fill out a referral form.

[CLICK HERE to Refer Someone for Home Delivered Meals](#)

## Mark Your Calendars

April 19: Good Friday - FBS Offices CLOSED - No Volunteer Delivery

April 27: 14th Annual Cinco de Mayo Fundraiser - [Tickets On Sale Now!](#)

May 10: Senior Prom with Lamar CISD (Senior Event - [Sponsors Welcome!](#))

June 5: Bobby Socks & Doo Wop Dance (Senior Event - [Sponsors Welcome!](#))

September 13: 2nd Annual More than A Meal Luncheon Fundraiser - [Save the Date!](#)

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