



**Want to Get Involved?**

The mission of the Texas Master Naturalist Program is to develop a corps of well-informed volunteers to provide education, outreach, and service dedicated to the beneficial management of natural resources and natural areas within their communities for the State of Texas.



**Why Become a Master Naturalist?**

As a Texas Master Naturalist, you will help people appreciate the natural environment around their home while you enhance your own knowledge and skills. And perhaps most satisfying of all, you will have a chance to build friendships and working relationships with others who share your love of the natural Texas.



**Contact Us!**

The South Texas Chapter of the Texas Master Naturalists was established in 2002. It encompasses Kenedy, Kleberg, and Nueces Counties.

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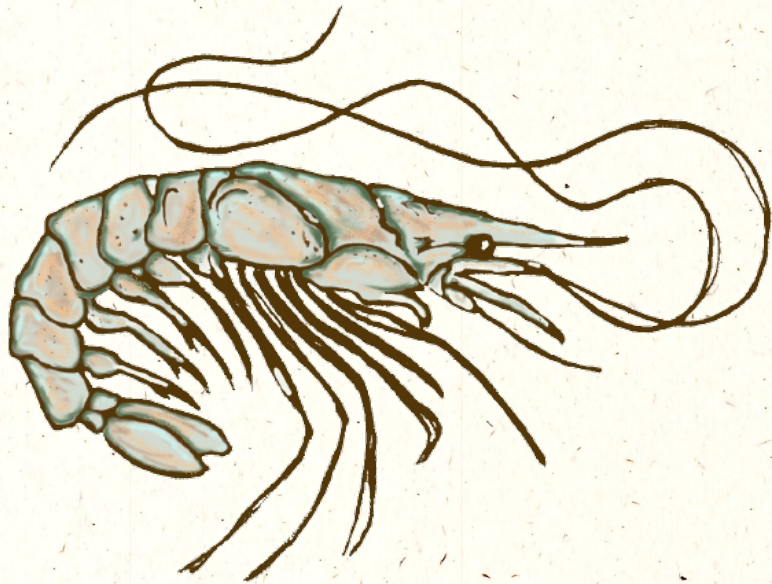




## Training

Trainees complete 40 hours of classroom and field training learning the management, conservation, and preservation of the ecosystems of South Texas.

Training locations vary but may include: Padre Island National Seashore, Nueces Delta Preserve, Welder Wildlife Refuge, Lake Corpus Christi State Park, and more!



## Certification

After the initial training, Texas Master Naturalists certify by completing 40 hours of annual volunteer service and 8 hours of annual advanced training in special subjects of their interest.

## How to Register To Become a South Texas Master Naturalist

Go To: [txmn.tamu.edu](http://txmn.tamu.edu)

Select: **For Chapters**

Click: **Volunteer Management System Portal**

Click: **Apply to Become a New Volunteer**

Select: **Gulf Coast** on the map

Scroll To: **South Texas Master Naturalist Application**

Click: **Details or Sign Up**

Click: **Sign Up** (blue box with white letters)

On: **Volunteer Login Window**,  
Click at the bottom: **Apply to Become a Volunteer**

You are in! Follow instructions to register. Read all waivers and agreements; agree and sign.



## Volunteer Opportunities

Our naturalists can be found at the South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center giving *outdoor educational programs*, *restoring habitat* at Blucher Park, doing *public outreach* at Earth-Day Bay-Day, participating in Cold Stunned Turtle Patrols at Padre Island National Seashore, uploading and classifying data as *citizen scientists* via the iNaturalist app, and providing service at so many more nature sites across the Coastal Bend. The possibilities to serve are endless, limited only by your imagination!