

# TEXSAR - In the Community - November 2018



## **A Word of Thanks from the Executive Director**

**Dear TEXSAR Supporter,**

**As we take time this month to give thanks, I want to take time to thank you. Your willingness to support the work of TEXSAR and its members, in times of disaster and preparation for the next storm, truly does mean the world to us. My wish is that you get some time with your loved ones to celebrate this season of thanksgiving and for you to know how grateful we all are for your continued support. Stay tuned for a more in depth recap of 2018 in our Annual Report, coming out in Q1 2019.**

**Paula DeLaCruz, Executive Director**

## Recent Deployments

Thank you to all of the TEXSAR members who took off work, slept in vehicles, sacrificed family time, and utilized personal resources to serve in the last several weeks. We are humbled by your dedication and proud to have you as part of the TEXSAR family.

**10/29/2018**

Missing Person Bryan, TX Search  
Requested by: Bryan Police Department  
Deployed: 7 Members, HRD K-9

**10/27/2018**

Central Texas Water Distribution  
Requested by: Williamson County  
Deployed: 15 Members

**10/27/2018**

Granite Gripper, Force Multiplier  
Requested by: CTCC  
Deployed: 13 Members, UAS  
Team(Drone)

**10/24/2018**

Central Texas Water Distribution  
Requested by: Williamson County  
Deployed: 15 Members

**10/23/2018**

Central Texas Water Distribution  
Requested by: Williamson County  
Deployed: 7 Members

**10/22/2018**

Missing Person - Beach City 10/22/2018  
Requested by: Chambers County Sheriff's  
Office  
Deployed: 10 Members, HRD K9

**10/22/2018**

Missing Person - K9 Search  
Requested by: Gulf Coast Area Law  
Enforcement  
Deployed: K9 Team

**10/16/2018**

Llano County Flood Response  
Requested by: Llano County Office of  
Emergency Management  
Deployed: 22 Members, RBO & FAST  
Support

**10/13/2018-10/14/2018**

Missing Person - Llano River Flooding  
Requested by: Llano County Office of  
Emergency Management  
Deployed: 34 Members, RBO & FAST,  
IMT/Support, and GSAR

**10/12/2018**

Missing Person - Sabinal River Flooding  
Search  
Requested by: TPWD  
Deployed: 18 Members, HRD,  
FAST/GSAR Support

**10/10/2018-10/12/2018**

Llano River Flooding Search  
Requested by: Llano County Office of  
Emergency Management  
Deployed: 39 Members, RBO, FAST, IMT  
and GSAR









## Big Give Houston!

Tuesday, November 27, is Big Give Houston. It's the one day out of the year businesses in the Houston area take a moment to give back to their local nonprofits. The Gulf Coast Division is asking for your help! Share! Share! Share! Share the Social Media posts or share the following via email or text with your networks in the area.

*Hi! As you know I am a supporter of TEXSAR, Texas Search and Rescue. We are hoping that you will mark your calendar for November 27th - it's Big Give Houston. It's the one day of the year that Houston area businesses focus on supporting local nonprofits. TEXSAR is a statewide organization with a large team in the Houston area. Your gift will allow TEXSAR to continue deploying locally and across the state when needed!*

[Donate here for Big Give Houston](#), November 27th, your donation could be amplified with bonus matching funds to go even further!

Thank you for your support!



SUPPORT  
TEXAS SEARCH AND RESCUE  
**MOTORCYCLE RAFFLE**  
*Enter to Win*

## TEXSAR's First Ever Motorcycle Raffle Get Your Tickets Today!

TEXSAR will be selling raffle tickets through the end of the year and next  
until the drawing at the 2019 Search Party.  
for a 2013 Harley Davidson Heritage Softail Classic.

Tickets are \$20 each or \$100 for six.  
Support TEXSAR and buy your ticket today!

[www.texasar.org/raffle](http://www.texasar.org/raffle)





## Member Stats

### Overall

Active Members - 336  
Deployable Members - 244  
Field Deployable - 210  
Flood and Swiftwater Technicians - 99  
Active Certifications - 2255

### Divisions

Central Texas Members - 153  
Coastal Bend Members - 13  
Gulf Coast Members - 62  
North Texas Members - 57  
West Texas Members - 14  
At Large Members - 37

## K9 Team

Congratulations to the **NEW** K9s and Handlers that successfully certified this Fall for each of the the following disciplines :

**Area Live Find:** 1 x K9 (Squanto)

**Trailing:** 1 x K9 (Wish)

**HRD Land:** 5 x K9s (Aalta, Bouton, Khrona, Knarr, Wish)

**HRD Water:** 1 x K9 (Orion)

We currently have the following nationally certified K9 Team assets:

**11 x Certified Handlers** - [3 additional Handlers in Training (not yet certified)]

**17 x Certified K9s** - [5 additional K9s in Training (not yet certified)]

Our current breakdown by discipline and location

**Certified Handlers:** (Austin - 2, College Station - 2, San Antonio - 2, Houston - 3, Oklahoma -3)



### Certified K9s:

Area Live Find	Trailing	HRD Land	HRD Water
6	4	11	3



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