

NOMINATION FOR

Award Name the Individual or Team is Being Nominated For

Epsilon Sigma Phi, Alpha Zeta Chapter – Texas
Chapter Administrative Leadership Recognition

Nominee's Name: Vincent J. Mannino

Title: County Extension Director - Fort Bend County

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Year Initiated into ESP: 1989

Position and Dates of Extension Employment:

County Extension Director, Fort Bend County Office of Texas AgriLife Extension Service (formally Texas Cooperative Extension), November 8, 2004 to present.

County Coordinator (Agriculture Department Head), Jefferson County Office of Texas Cooperative Extension (formally - Texas Agricultural Extension Service), May 1, 1992 to November 7, 2004.

Jefferson County Extension Agent - Horticulture, Texas Cooperative Extension in Beaumont, Texas, April 1, 1990 to November 7, 2004.

Tarrant County Extension Agent - Horticulture, Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Fort Worth, Texas, May 1, 1984 to April 1, 1990.

Education:

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA - Master of Science in Horticulture, 1984

Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA - Bachelor of Science in Botany, 1978

Northeast Louisiana University, Monroe, LA - Course-work in organic chemistry, 1978

Outstanding Professional Accomplishments:

Awards:

Southern Region - Distinguished Service Recognition, Epsilon Sigma Phi National (2011)

Chapter - Distinguished Service Award, Epsilon Sigma Phi National (2010)

Distinguished Service Award, Epsilon Sigma Phi - Alpha Zeta Chapter (2010)

25-Year Tenure Award, Epsilon Sigma Phi (2010)

2007 Administrative Leadership Award from Epsilon Sigma Phi (2007)

Award of Appreciation for Service, Master Gardeners/Horticulture PAC/Agents/Staff (2004)

Distinguished Service Award, Texas County Extension Agents' Association (2004)

Distinguished Service Award, Nation Association of County Extension Agents (2004)

County Extension Agent Level IV Ranking, Texas Cooperative Extension (2001)

State Mid-Career Award from Epsilon Sigma Phi National Honorary Extension Fraternity (1999).

Meritorious Service Award from Epsilon Sigma Phi National Honorary Extension Fraternity, (1998)

Superior Service Award in the County Extension Agent Category from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, (1996)

Vice-Chancellor's Awards in Excellence for Agriculture from the Texas A&M Univ. System, (1990).
Administrative Leadership

Memorandum of Agreement between FBC and AgriLife (included in FBC Budget):

\$248,375 (effective Oct. 1, 2011 - Sept. 30, 2012)
\$265,401 (effective Oct. 1, 2010 - Sept. 30, 2011)
\$265,401 (effective Oct. 1, 2009 - Sept. 30, 2010)
\$266,198 (effective Oct. 1, 2008 - Sept. 30, 2009)
\$250,509 (effective Oct. 1, 2007 - Sept. 30, 2008)
\$240,182 (effective Oct. 1, 2006 - Sept. 30, 2007)
\$227,030 (effective Oct. 1, 2005 - Sept. 30, 2006)
\$127,948 (effective Mar. 2005 (startup) - Sept. 2005)

County Budget - Fort Bend

- 2011-12 budget was adopted at \$825,662.00 (included FBC/AgriLife MOA)
- 2010-11 budget was adopted at \$845,129.00 (included FBC/AgriLife MOA)
Reflects a 5% cut in operating funds.
- 2009-10 budget was adopted at \$873,971.00 (includes FBC/AgriLife MOA)
Reflects a 10% mandated cut in operating funds.
- 2008-09 budget was adopted at \$929,747.00 (includes FBC/AgriLife MOA)
- 2007-08 budget was adopted at \$829,540.00 (includes FBC/TCE MOA)
- 2006-07 budget was adopted at \$874,794.00 (includes FBC/TCE MOA)
- 2006-07 budget was adopted at \$888,589.00 (includes FBC/TCE MOA)
- 2005-06 budget was adopted at \$890,338.00 (includes FBC/TCE MOA)

Outstanding Programmatic Accomplishments:

As County Extension Director, Mr. Mannino provides leadership for all human and material resources in Fort Bend County. Additionally he provides oversight for the development and management of the county budget. A critical role in a county the size of Fort Bend is serving as a liaison with the County Commissioners Court as delegated by the district Extension administrator. Mr. Mannino recruits, selects and supervises urban Extension personnel in diverse Fort Bend County. His complex job requires the coordination with the Regional Program Directors, Urban Program Director, Community Economic Development Program Director, District Extension Administrator, Senior Administrative Leadership Team and the Cooperative Extension Program at Prairie View A&M University to identify program direction, acquire resources for program enhancement and set priorities for resource allocation to most effectively impact Extension programming for urban clientele. Fort Bend County is truly a diverse county with the need for visionary leadership and management. Mr. Mannino continues to meet these challenges.

Support Statement:

Vince came to Fort Bend County from Jefferson County where he served as County Extension Agent in Horticulture, bringing a fresh approach to the Horticulture Program, conducting an outstanding program in this area that impacted the South Texas Region and as well as the state of Texas. Vince brought that same type of fresh approach to his new job in Fort Bend County where he serves as County Extension Director. He is a great advisor to all of the agents in this county, and he is focused on allowing the agents to do their job and also think outside the box when they plan program efforts for the people of Fort Bend County. Vince is very supportive of all agents in all programs. Mr. Mannino does expect all agents to make quality education efforts in our programs and also that the program has relevance to the community and our state. Vince Mannino is a great man as well as a boss, and he works with his agents side by side. He is a great director and supporter.

