

Allocation of Live Race Dates for Greyhound Racetracks

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Texas Greyhound Association

Representing the Greyhound Breeding and Racing Industry in Texas

Proposal for Texas Greyhound Race Dates 2009-2011

Current Situation

The Texas Greyhound Association (TGA) recognizes that each greyhound racetrack will be reviewing its business plan to counter a difficult economic and competitive gaming environment.

For the past several years, the number of greyhounds and greyhound breeders in Texas has declined. While the cost of raising a greyhound has increased, purses have remained static or decreased. While the TGA has always favored year-round racing at each greyhound track, it has come to recognize that the industry needs to make some hard choices to keep greyhound racing viable in Texas.

Background

In 2007, the TGA had discussions with the Texas Racing Commission (TxRC), Corpus Christi Greyhound Race Track and Valley Race Park on establishing a circuit between the two tracks. The TGA was originally opposed to a circuit, but faced with a potential shortage of greyhounds and smaller purses, it was willing to make changes to preserve the greyhound breeding industry.

The tracks were unable to reach an agreement on dates, and Corpus subsequently closed. Valley remains dependent on out-of-state kennels to operate for its short meet, and it is a struggle each year for it to contract with a majority of Texas kennels as required under the Texas Racing Act.

Gulf Greyhound Park, which operates year-round racing and directly competes with Louisiana casinos, has static purse values and is facing a shortage of kennel operators and greyhounds.

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Race Dates for 2009-2011

The TGA proposes a major change in the racing dates for 2009-2011. Gulf currently runs 6 performances each week. Valley is scheduled to open its seasonal meet in November. Corpus, now Gulf Coast Racing, just recently opened for simulcast wagering, and is scheduled to open a short live race meet in 2010.

The TGA proposes the following:

Gulf Greyhound Park will continue to run year-round with at least 6 performances each week.

Gulf Coast Racing will continue to simulcast year-round and offer a weekend of live racing in 2010 and/or 2011.

Valley Race Park will continue to simulcast but will not run live this November and will offer a "Festival of Racing" in 2011.

The TGA will reach an agreement with Gulf Coast Racing and Valley Race Park on purses for their live meets, and allocate their simulcast purses to supplement the live purses at Gulf Greyhound Park.

This plan will:

Make Gulf Greyhound Park the highest paying non-casino greyhound track in the country which will attract more kennels to run there;

Encourage Texas greyhound breeders to continue their operations due to higher purses at Gulf Greyhound Park;

Showcase racing greyhounds at both Gulf Coast and Valley Race Park in a "county fair" atmosphere;

Enable all three greyhound racetracks to remain viable operations, and

Reduce operating costs for the Texas Racing Commission.

Summary

The TGA believes this proposal is within the Texas Racing Act and Rules of Racing. It has discussed the proposal with the race tracks in the Greyhound Race Dates Working

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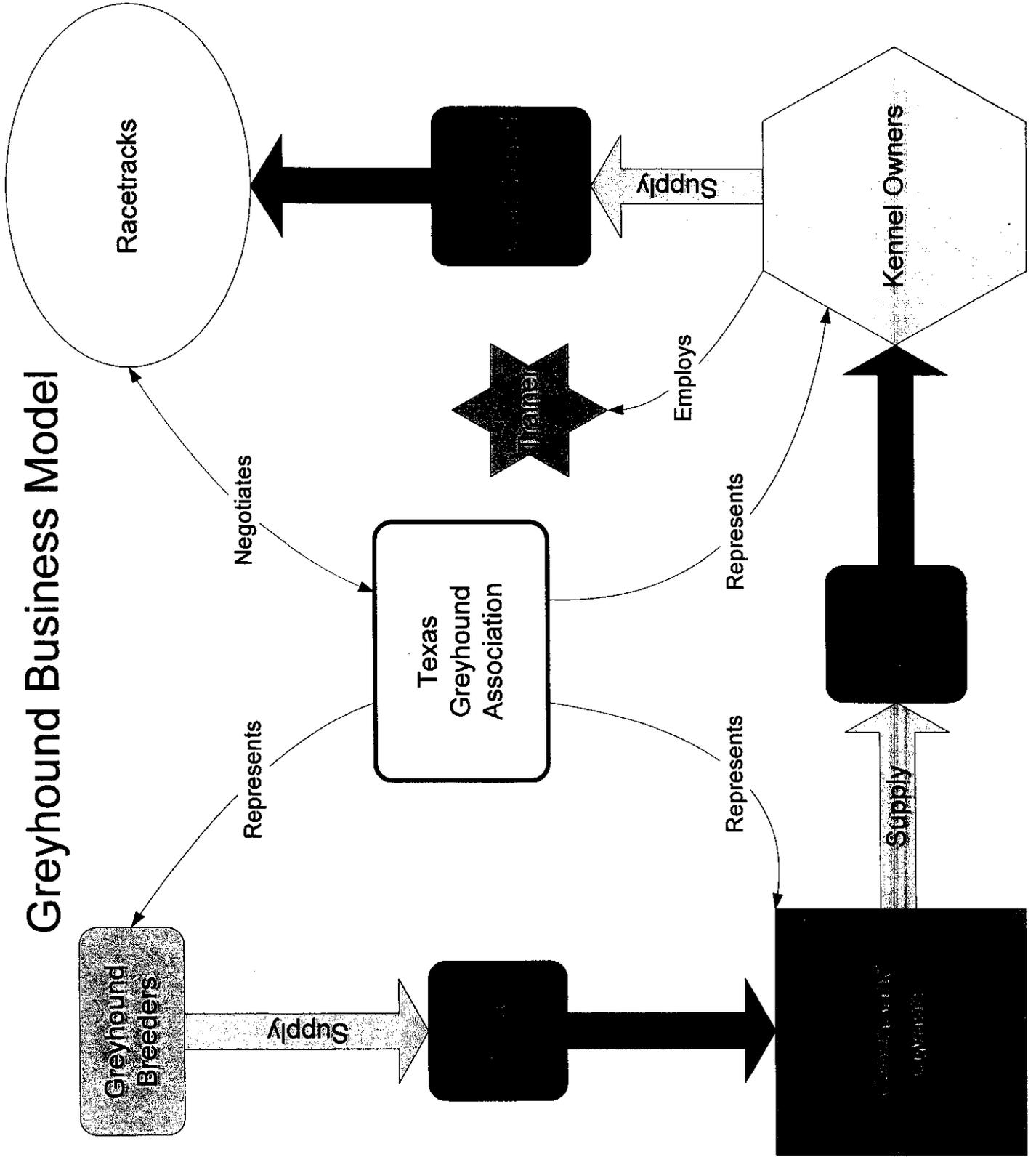
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Group and will provide more detail in its follow-up meeting prior to the TxRC Meeting in August.

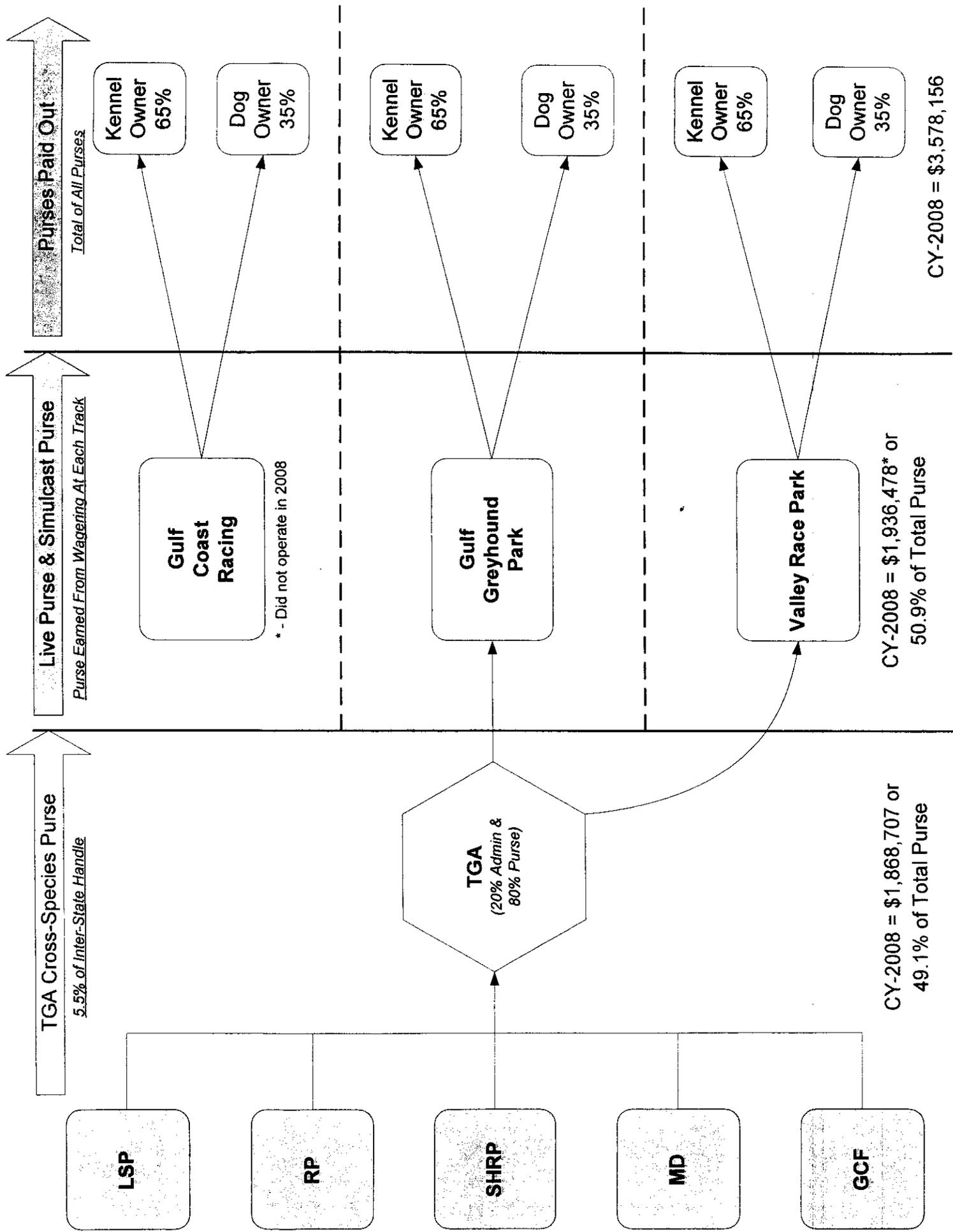
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Greyhound Business Model

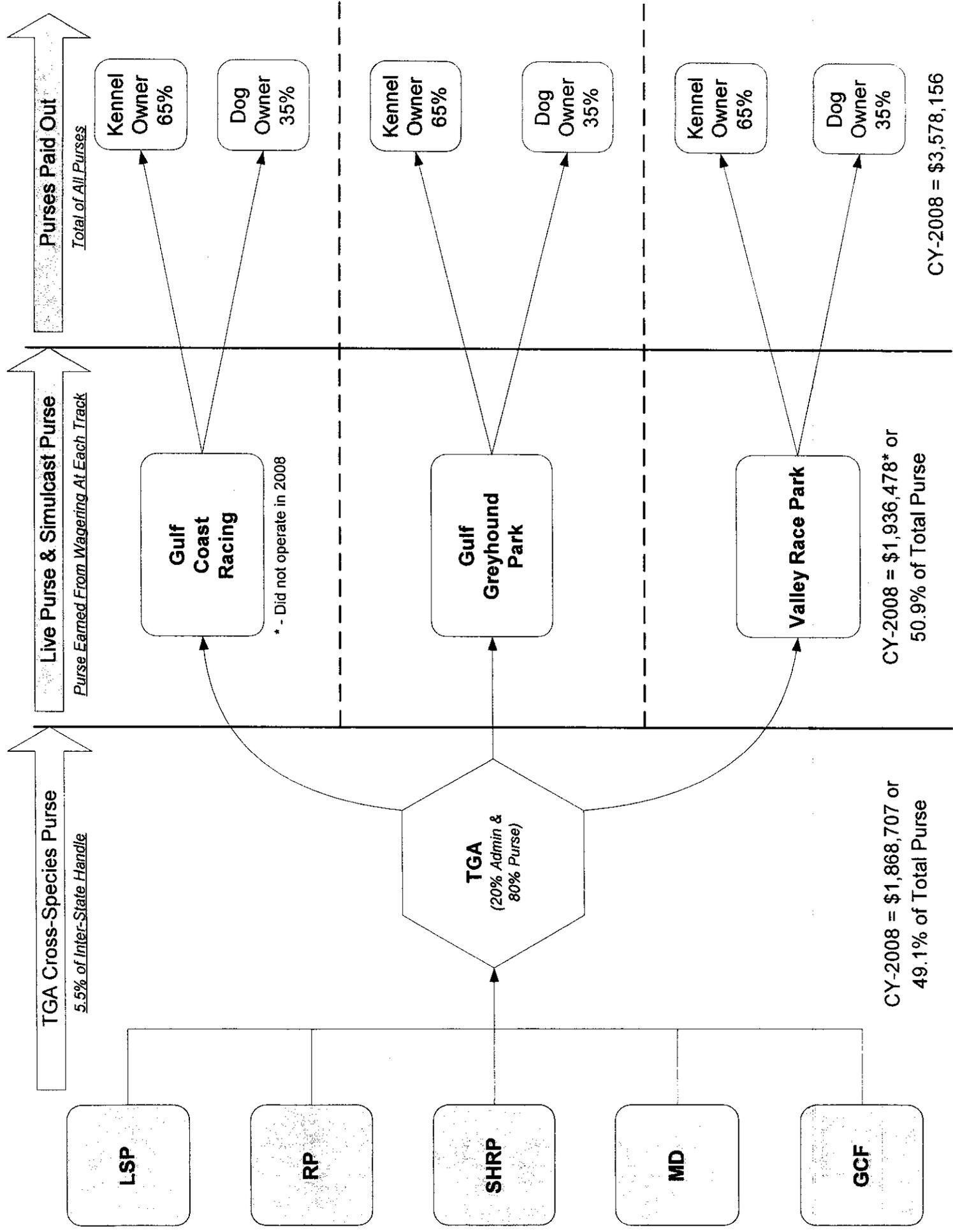


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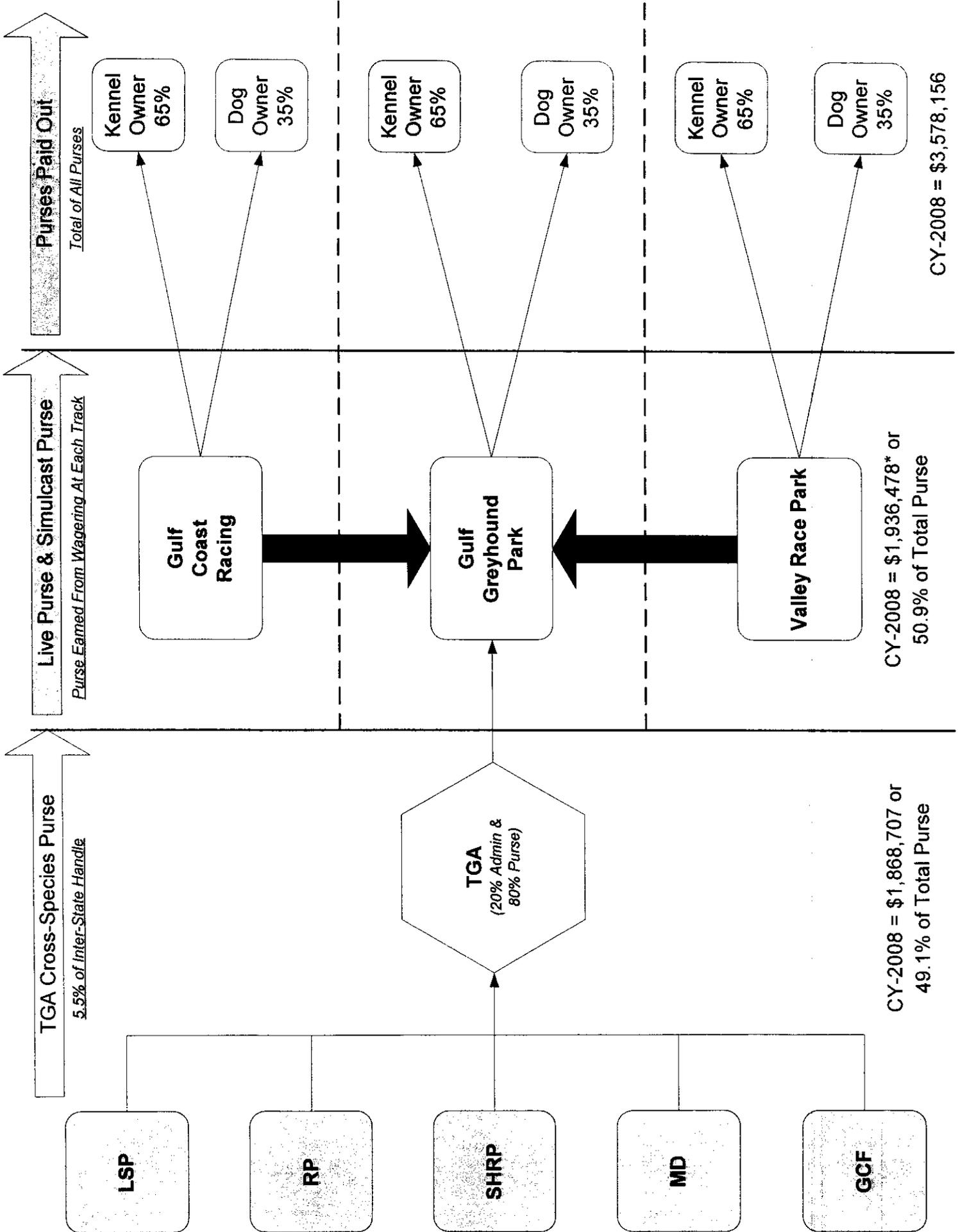
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2010 Traditional Flow of Purse Funds



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TGA Proposed Flow of Purse Funds



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T.G.A's Proposal For Greyhound Race Dates

To sammy.jackson@txrc.state.tx.us

Date Wed 8/26/2009 10:53 AM

Dear Sir,

I am asking for your support for the TGA's proposal for Texas Greyhound Race Dates 2009-2011.

I'm confident that you are aware of the sad decline of the Greyhound Industry in recent years which has caused many Greyhound Race Tracks to close putting thousands of people out of work. Farmers have cut down drastically on breeding, and contract kennels at the Texas Tracks still opened are struggling to stay in business and are still working hard hoping for a positive approval of the TGA's proposal and VLT slots which will be in competition with adjoining states that have casinos and bring the Texas Greyhound Tracks mutual handle and attendance way up, and also very importantly bring much needed revenue to the Great State Of Texas.

Respectfully Yours,

Thomas E. LaRosa

LaRosa Enterprises Incorporated

IV. F. 9



2009 AUG 25 PM 1: 58

Dear Mr. Jackson:

It seems the time has come for pen and paper once again. Since I last wrote to you, I have secured a seat on the TGA board and also serve on the RMSC where we are making some progress. I guess I subscribe to the idea that if you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem.

Over the recent years we have seen greyhound racing decline and disappear from state after state and to our great shame, those of us in the industry have stood by and watched it happen, refusing to acknowledge that the status quo no longer exists as we knew it and if we do not consider and explore proactive solutions for our survival, then our sport and our livelihood will cease to exist.

While I would dearly love to see multiple viable locations in Texas at which we race our greyhounds, the crucial piece in that sentiment is viability. Without that any situation is not sustainable and will, in my opinion, ultimately contribute to the demise of greyhound racing in our great state. For a brief time, Texas was the flagship of our industry with the best purses, greyhounds, facilities and personnel and while we have struggled to maintain these attributes, we have reached the critical point. The correlation between rising costs and falling purses have resulted in breeders and kennel operators leaving the business and the number of greyhounds being bred declining by over 60% in recent years and still falling. The absence of a pari-mutuel location that generates revenues substantial enough to sustain breeders, kennel operators and track operators spells disaster for us all.

With all of this in mind, I believe the TGA proposal to simulcast at Corpus and Valley resulting in a viable purse at Gulf is not only the best option for our industry to continue in Texas, but the only one.

As always, if I can be of any help with this or any matter concerning our industry, I am more than happy to do so.

Sincerely,


John Dalton.

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August 23, 2009

2009 AUG 25 PM 2:00

Dear Mr. Jackson,

My name is Doyle Shepherd and I live in Elgin, in Bastrop County. I have been raising greyhounds for the last twenty five years, have raced at all three tracks in Texas and currently still race my dogs at the Gulf.

I'm sure you are aware that the state of greyhound racing is more than serious. We have put all our efforts in these last years into VLT legislation, in the hope that it would bring the needed relief. Now that legislation is dead until "maybe" the next time. Those of us in the breeding end of the business cannot wait. In the past year I have cut way back on my breeding and under today's purses, (\$54 per point at Gulf last week) I would have to say that I have bred my last female. I have enjoyed more than my share of success through the years but if the business cannot sustain itself then it is no longer a business.

The proposal given to you by the TGA has been explained to me and I certainly support it, as I am sure anyone who understands the costs involved would. Without this, I am sad to say that I do not see greyhound racing surviving in Texas.

Respectfully,



James Doyle Shepherd.

Shallow Well Greyhound Farm

Donald and Phyllis Shuffield
1542 Cr 238
Cameron, Texas 76520

August 25, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson and The Texas Racing Commission

Dear Mr. Jackson and Racing Commissioners:

My name is Phyllis Shuffield. I am a member of the Texas Greyhound Association and my husband and I own and operate a greyhound farm outside of Cameron, Texas. We have been in the business since 1986 and have raised many Texas bred pups since the inception of the Texas Bred program. I am for the proposal that the TGA has presented to you. Please, our Texas industry from the farmers, owners, kennel operators, investors and hired help on all levels depend on this proposal happening. Thank you for taking your time to read my letter.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Shuffield
Co-owner and operator of
Shallow Well Greyhound Farm

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2009 AUG 24 PM 2: 23

TO: The Texas Racing Commission Race Date Work Group
FROM: Ed Gardner
DATE: August 18, 2009
RE: Meeting on 8/26/09

I am unable to attend this meeting because of a planned vacation out of state.

I would, however, like to express my wishes and those of some of the members in Zone 1 of the TGA.

The majority of the members I have talked to (with the exception of two) agree we need to continue looking successful to the general public by continuing live racing. We agree to a reduced five-day meet at Gulf Coast Racing and Valley Racing and continue running six cards a week at Gulf Greyhounds. With 14 to 16 kennels at Gulf, we will be able to offer better purses and more opportunities for Texas bred dogs.

With Gulf running a full card in 2010, our public exposure to greyhound racing will continue in a positive way. With a consistent uniform track, we should be able to attract quality kennels to run year-round. Running three cards a week is not very business-like, because of the need to take care of the dogs 24/7 and the inability to book good kennels. A two-day-a-week card would be like a part-time job and would not be as profitable as a full card. As you know, running Fridays and Saturdays (only) is out of the norm.

I want to thank you the TRC for the opportunity to express our wants and needs in this great sport.

Yours in the Sport



Ed Gardner, Director Zone 1, Texas Greyhound Association

greyhound racing in tx

Joe Frey

To sammy.jackson@txrc.state.tx.us

Date Mon 8/24/2009 2:29 PM

dear mr. jackson

my name is joe frey, i am a tx resident have been all my life. i have been in the greyhound business for 25 yrs. i am a breeder, trainer, and board for one of the largest breeders in the state.

i want you and the commission to know that i am in total support of the tga and it's position on the matter concerning our three tracks. it is my belief that this will not only be a quick fix, but also provide quality racing and purses until the next session in 2011.

thanks

joe frey

TGA Proposal

tom larosa _

To sammy.jackson@txrc.state.tx.us; sammy.jackson@txrc.state.tx.us

Date Tue 8/18/2009 12:02 PM

Mr. Jackson,

My name is Thomas LaRosa, I am the owner of LaRosa Enterprises Inc. currently racing at Gulf Greyhound Park. I have raced at the Gulf and have lived in Texas since the tracks inception in November of 1992. Since that time I have watched the attendance and the purses steadily decline and have made earning a living much more difficult proposition and has almost put me out of business. I have witnessed numerous kennel operations shut down because it was not financially viable for them to race here. We are all losing money. Myself, along with all of the other kennel owners and breeders are trying to survive and weather this storm until hopefully, legislation passes in 2011, and better days will come. I support the TGA's proposal and believe it will keep kennel operators and breeders in business and keep greyhound racing alive in Texas.

There will be a significant increase in our purses which will give kennel owners more financial stability and to help keep them in operation, it will also attract more Tx-bred greyhounds and give the Tx breeders more incentive to continue their breeding operations. It is imperative that this proposal is enacted upon as it will enable all three of the tracks to stay open and it will give some financial support to the Texas owners, breeders, and kennel owners. If this action is not passed, there will be countless employee's of the race tracks, the racing kennel operations, along with the breeding farms who will all be out of work.

Thank You For Your Support On this

Matter,

Thomas R. LaRosa
LaRosa Enterprises Inc.

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August 17, 2009

Attention; Mr. Sammy Jackson

Dear Mr. Jackson,

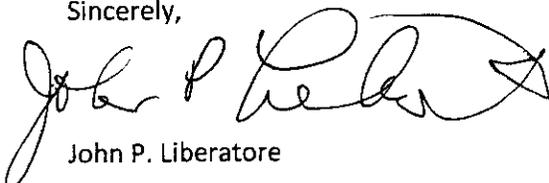
My name is John P. Liberatore. I have been involved in the greyhound racing business for over 30 years. My wife and I have owned and operated Libby Racing Kennel at Gulf Greyhound Park for the past 13 years. I am the executive board member of District 5 for the Texas Greyhound Association.

This letter is to inform you that I am completely in favor of the TGA's proposal to make Gulf Greyhound Park the highest paying non-casino race track in the country, as well as support their efforts to encourage current farmers to increase their breeding and new breeders to supply greyhounds for greyhound racing in the state of Texas. I have raised and raced my own greyhounds in the past, but due to declining purses, I have been forced to cut back on personal breeding and rely solely on lease customers, all Texas residents and breeders, for my racing stock. I am also in favor of showcasing the greyhounds at Gulf Coast and Valley Race Park for the 2 day festival proposed to run at these tracks. It is my feeling that without these efforts, greyhound racing in the state of Texas will cease. Keeping these 3 greyhound tracks open will keep greyhound racing alive in Texas, and will help to contribute to the legislative efforts in the 2011 legislative session.

If this proposal does not come to pass, my supply of lease customers will be gone, I will have no means to breed dogs, and the purses will drop so low that I, along with many others, will be forced out of business.

Thank you in advance for your efforts to keep greyhound racing alive in the state of Texas.

Sincerely,



John P. Liberatore

To: Texas Racing Commission

My name is Eloy Ortega. I was a trainer at Valley Greyhound Park in the 2009 racing season. I am writing this letter in support of continued live racing at the Valley. Without live racing I will no longer have employment. I also have many friends that come to the Valley and enjoy the live racing.

Thank you,



Eloy Ortega

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Date : August 9, 2009

To : Sammy Jackson
Texas Racing Commission

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From: James C. Brymer
TGA Board Member
District II Representative

Re : TGA Position on Proposed Race Dates in Texas

I am writing you to let you know that I fully support the efforts of the TGA to work with the Valley Race Park, Gulf Coast Racing and Gulf Greyhound Park to secure a program where the Valley and Corpus Christi can run a 5-Day Festival of Racing and continue to simulcast there after and send the monies to the Gulf to secure purse and points to help keep Greyhound Racing alive and profitable in Texas.

We need to make changes to benefit all the members in Texas, so that we can continue to breed, raise and race Texas Bred Greyhounds. If all three tracks run live meets in excess of the proposed plan, their points and purse will not attract more business. I feel it will only eliminate more kennels at the tracks, consequently creating a vicious cycle that will put more farms and potential breeders out of business.

If we can make one track profitable for the Greyhound Industry in Texas, I feel we may be able to save Greyhound Racing for Texas in the future years and the other tracks will re-open and run full meets with the ability to make profits for all involved.

In closing, I am 100% in favor of running a Festival of Racing at both the Valley and Corpus Christi and simulcasting monies from these two tracks to be sent into the Gulf to save live racing in Texas. I know that the TGA Board members are 100% in favor of this plan as well.

I want to thank you for your hard work and time that you have put into this process.

Sincerely,



James C. Brymer
TGA Board Member
District II Representative

August 14, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Texas Racing Commission
8505 Cross Park Dr. Suite 110
Austin, Texas 78754

Dear Mr. Jackson;

There has been talk of the Valley Dog track not opening and also the Corpus dog track not running live races.

As, I'm sure you know, the TGA does not have the authority to open or close a race track. However, there are some TGA members that thinks TGA does have the right! They are blaming the TGA for closing the Valley track.

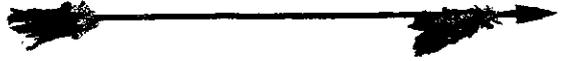
It is our hope that the Commission will allow the Valley and Corpus to simulcast and the money to the Gulf track so the points will be much higher. This would allow the purse wins to stay in Texas for the Texas dog owners.

Thank you,
Jeanette Dietz
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Seguin, Tx 78155



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Texas Racing Commission
Attn: Mr. Sammy Jackson
8505 Cross Park Dr. #110
Austin, Texas. 78754

Dear Sammy,

This is to verify our conversation on Friday Aug. 7th regarding the situation of racing dates at the Valley and Corpus race tracks.

As we discussed I am in support of running one short five day meet at each of these tracks as well as sending the year around simulcast money to Gulf.

Although I would like to see all three tracks running live full time, I understand it is not feasible during these poor economic times. It is of the up most importance though that we keep Gulf viable at a higher purse rate in order to make it worthwhile to continue to breed, sell, race dogs and keep competitive kennels racing at Gulf.

The proposed four-month meet at Valley and Corpus would do nothing to encourage this and in fact would take away from Gulf's handle.

Sincerely,

David
David R. Peck

DRP:jvp

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Dear Sammie -

We have talked about Valley
Closing + Corpus not Running.
T.G.A. does not have the authority
to open or close a race track,
but some of our members think so.
Blaming T.G.A. for closing Valley,

I hope the Commission will
allow Valley + Corpus to simulcast
and send the money to Gulf so
maybe get the pts up to 70.⁰⁰ or 80.⁰⁰ per pts

Thank you
Juddy Dietz

To: Texas Racing Commission
C/O Sammy Jackson

My name is Kenneth Turner. I am a Greyhound breeder in the state of Texas. I also owned Red River Kennel that was booked at The Valley Greyhound Park last year. I spent in excess of \$80,000 last year in expenses on the Greyhound business. These expenses were on feed, stud fees, purchasing of broods, taxes, gasoline, vet bills, hauling, electricity, house payment, and other items. It is my understanding the Texas Racing Commission will be deciding soon if The Valley Greyhound Park will cease live racing. I support live racing and feel it should continue. Valley Greyhound Park is the only greyhound track in America where the live on-track handle was higher in 2008 than it was in 2005 or 2006. I also feel the Texas Greyhound Association has not informed their membership as much as they should have done. They have had at least five months to bring their proposal to the membership for a vote and have failed to do so. They knew if they did, the proposal would be defeated. The TGA Board of Directors had four board members that had kennels at Gulf Greyhound Park. The TGA proposal would directly benefit them financially.

In closing, if Gulf Coast Racing and Valley Greyhound Park cease live racing a lot of greyhound breeders, trainers, owners and kennel owners within the state of Texas will be out of business.

Thank you,



Ken Turner

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August 1st 2009

To: Texas Racing Commission
Sammy Jackson

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Deputy Director of Finance & Regulatory Control

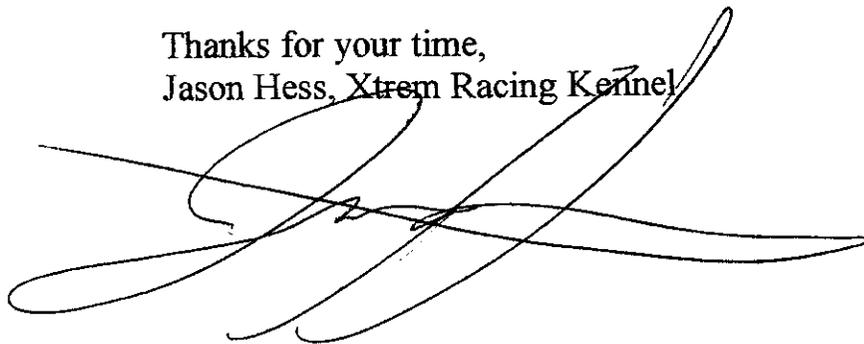
From: Jason Hess, Xtrem Racing Kennel

I would like to tell you and the Racing Commission how closing down Valley Race Park would hurt the economy in Texas to me. I have been going to Valley Race Park for 5 years now. The first year I trained a kennel and the last 4 years I have owned the Xtrem Racing Kennel. I live in Dubuque, Ia for 6 ½ months a year working at the race track here. The other 5 ½ months I live in Harlingen, Tx working in my kennel. I have an apartment all year in Harlingen so I have a place to come back to and to store all of my stuff for the summer. I hire 2 employees in my kennel every year from the Harlingen area for the 5 ½ months. In a race kennel there is a lot of expenses like the feed for the dogs, the vet bill on dogs from dewormer to injuries and everything in between, and bedding for the dogs. That is all bought in the Harlingen area every year.

I have 3 dog owners that take a 1 or 2 week vacation with their family's to Harlingen because of their greyhounds at Valley Race Park. I have 2 other owners that buy Texas Bred greyhounds at the National Greyhound Association meets in Abilene, Ks to run in my kennel at Valley Race Park.

The way the economy and unemployment rate is in the state of Texas and the whole country right now to me shutting down Valley Race Park would put over 100 people out of jobs and hurt the businesses in the area. I just hope you take all this into consideration when you decide on Valley Race Park.

Thanks for your time,
Jason Hess, Xtrem Racing Kennel

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jason Hess', is written over the typed name in the signature block.



Oxbow - Trow Kennel

Dubuque, Iowa

Harlingen, Texas

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Deputy Director of Finance & Regulatory Control
July 30, 2009

Dear Mr. Jackson,

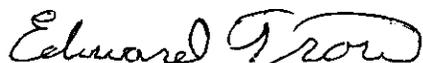
My name is Edward Trow; I own and operate Oxbow - Trow Kennel. I have been racing my greyhounds and other Texas bred greyhounds at the Valley Race Park meets in Harlingen Texas for the past nine years. I have enjoyed racing in Texas. I have gotten to know many fine Texans in the Harlingen community.

It is my understanding that a proposal to discontinue live racing at the Harlingen racetrack is being presented to the Texas Racing Commission. I hope when you consider this proposal you will also consider some of the economic impact on the local community and the state of Texas. In this depressed economic environment with the unemployment rate at an all time record high. When the live racing meets are run in Harlingen it is estimated that about one hundred and forty some people are directly impacted by the jobs at the race track. There are jobs for people of all ages and economic status. Some of them being, lead outs, trainers, kennel helpers, chart writers, judges, announcers, racing secretaries, director of racing, lure operators, brakemen, scale clerks, kennel masters, starters, paddock judges, veterinarians, waiters, bartenders, hostesses, security, and mutual tellers. These people all pay license fees to the state of Texas. They also pay local and state taxes on their earned income. A large percentage of their income is also spent within the local community. The impact on

the community as far as supplies to run a kennel and care for the greyhounds. Not to mention the wages that are spent in the community for housing, restaurants, clothing, household supplies, hotels and entertainment and many of the daily living needs.

When the meet ends and I move my kennel to Iowa where I race for the summer months. I bring many Texas bred greyhounds with me to race in Iowa for Texas owners. In turn I send the Texas owners, a purse check. The Texas owners are then able to raise and breed more Texas greyhounds to support the TGA and local and state communities in the form of taxes and economic development. I believe discontinuing live greyhound racing at Valley Race Park would be beneficial to few, at the expense of many.

Sincerely,



Edward Trow

262.745.3836
2615 Anamosa Drive
Dubuque, Iowa 52003

To: Texas Racing Commission

August, 1st 2009

From: Jason Hess, Eddie Trow, & Michael Jackson

We are writing this letter because we understand that there has been talk to run live greyhound racing from November 2009 to April 2010 and the dates be split between Valley Race Park and Gulf Coast Racing (Corpus Christi). Also that the point value would be \$50 a week at both tracks. If the tracks would run 13 races a performance and 5 performances a week, like Valley Race Park has been running for years now, we are all willing to take a booking at the two tracks and run these dates.

Jason Hess, Xtrem Racing Kennel

Sign [Signature] Date 8-1-09

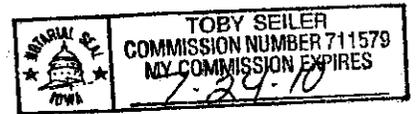
Eddie Trow, Oxbow Trow Kennel

Sign [Signature] Date 8-1-09

Michael Jackson, Jackson Kennel

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PROPOSAL TO KEEP LIVE RACING
AT ALL TEXAS GREYHOUND RACETRACKS

In the interest of live greyhound racing in the State of Texas, I would like to make a proposal to achieve this goal. I understand this is contrary to the beliefs of Executive Director and the Executive Board of the TGA, but through participative management I feel this goal is attainable.

The proposal is not a new one, but I will show how this can and will work. Making a circuit out of Harlingen and Corpus Christi with Harlingen running December of 2009 through January of 2010 with additional start up to allow for official schooling. Then the move to Corpus and have no longer than (10) days between meets so that one official schooling line will suffice for start up on active dogs from Harlingen. These dates will have to coincide with our important friends from Iowa, to insure these Kennel Operators who have helped keep racing alive in Texas can participate.

If we use GGP point system which I have tried to guesstimate by using their computer Racing Website and find their yearly total of points to be in the neighborhood (42/44) thousand. By doing this we can take 2/12(2 month meet) of point total and use for comparisons at both Harlingen and Corpus track. This will give us an approximate 7200 racing point meet at each track. Now the dollar value of points using simulcast money alone(approximately 400k dollars) and no live handle, we can ascertain the dollar value for points at Harlingen for this 2009 meet will be in the neighborhood of (56) dollars. Of course the 2010/2011 meet point value will change on simulcast money as we will have (10) months instead of (8) months of simulcast if this proposal is established. This extra 2 months should increase the simulcast money to be (500K) per year, making the point value worth (66) dollars. Now with me having no historical on Corpus I will use a figure lower than Harlingen and guess it to be in neighborhood of 350 thousand dollars of accrued simulcast monies. This would make the dollar value of the point worth approximately 49 dollars, not including live handle.

Now for the sacrifice and participative part that will make this racing circuit work and create a place for our dogs to run. The Corpus Racetrack needs extensive work done on the racetrack and kennel compound area. I propose we owners of greyhounds and kennel operators give a gift of 500k dollars to Corpus for our goodwill gift to help in rebuilding the Corpus Racing Facility. These monies will come from the simulcast money at both Harlingen and Corpus and will be disbursed as such, and since it is our money the Texas Racing Commission would readily agree and approve; The rightful accounting person at both Harlingen and Corpus before each and every yearly meet send a check in the amount of 15% of the escrowed simulcast money to the TGA Executive Director, who in turn will keep records thereof and forward to the rightful accounting persons at Corpus Christi Racetrack Facility until our pledge of 500k is met. When this total is met the Executive Director of the TGA will send any overage of this amount back to the track or tracks received from and designate it to the purses at those tracks.

Let's use these same figures of the estimated combined simulcast monies from both Harlingen and Corpus of 750k dollars, and use our estimated point structure of 43k points at GGP; then see how much the points would be subsidized at GGP. By dividing the 750k simulcast monies by estimated GGP yearly point structure of 43k we find the point

subsidy will be 17 dollars per point. Is this 17 dollars a point worth the chance of losing live racing in the State of Texas? I am extremely concerned that in the event of Casinos and or Racinos in the State of Texas being a possibility, we are approaching this with a far greater judgment error than what exist as an economic problem. Once live racing is done away with at a track, it will be hard to convince any racetrack owner or commission to again grant our organization racing dates. Without live racing we have no bargaining tool to seek any subsidizing for greyhound racing. Therefore I ask all of you to please be careful what you ask for; as I am sure the racetracks will accommodate you willingly to drop live racing.

2010 Greyhound Race Date Request

SEE SEPARATE FILES FOR THE FOLLOWING PAGES
PLEASE NOTE THESE ARE LEGAL PAGE CALENDARS

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PAGE IV F 78 – 2011 REQUESTED GREYHOUND RACE DATES

PAGE IV J 1.2 – DRAFT – STAFF RECOMMENDED 2010 HORSE
RACE DATES

PAGE IV J 2 a – REQUESTED 2010 HORSE RACE DATES
(AMENDED 9/10/2009)

PAGE IV J 2 – REQUESTED 2010 HORSE RACE DATES
(AMENDED 9/8/2009)

PAGE IV J 82.1 – REQUESTED 2011 HORSE RACE DATES



5302 Leopard Street
Corpus Christi, Texas 78408



361.289.9333

www.gulfcoastracetrack.com

September 4, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Texas Racing Commission
P. O. Box 12080
Austin, TX 78711-2080

Re: Gulf Coast Racing
2010 Live Race Request

Dear Mr. Jackson:

In view of the shortage of greyhounds in Texas we are requesting to transfer the previously approved 2010 schedule of 43 performances in July and August to Gulf Greyhound Park. These 43 performances will be run on Tuesdays.

In support of the Texas Greyhound Association's proposal in making an effort to improve the overall state of the Texas greyhound industry, we feel that running this 43 day meet at Gulf Greyhound Park will enhance the live racing industry in Texas. We believe that the Texas Greyhound Association's efforts in trying to create one premier track in this State are viable.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sally B. Briggs".

Sally B. Briggs
Operations Manager

C: Greg LaMantia
Diane Whiteley, Texas Greyhound Association
Andrea Young, Valley Race Park

T E X A S R A C I N G C O M M I S S I O N
R E Q U E S T F O R L I V E R A C E D A T E S
G R E Y H O U N D R A C E T R A C K S - 2 0 1 0

INSTRUCTIONS: Print or type the information requested in each section and attach all required documents and additional sheets if necessary. The Commission will not consider an incomplete request. The request must be filed at the Commission's Austin office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 17, 2009.

I. Schedule Requested

Name of Racetrack: Gulf Coast Racing

Opening Day: 1 / 5 / 2010 Closing Day: 11 / 16 / 2010

Number of Performances per week scheduled for five or more races 43

 Projected Number of Races per Performance 12

Number of Performances per week scheduled for fewer than five races _____

 Projected Number of Races per Performance _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERFORMANCES REQUESTED 43

II. Charity Days

Indicate which days are designated as charity days:

DESIGNATED BY RULE

(1) A charity that directly benefits the persons who work on the backside:

1/12/2010 for Texas Greyhound Association
(Name of Charity)

(2) A charity that primarily benefits research into the health or safety of race animals:

5/18/2010 for Texas A&M University Scholarship Fund
(Name of Charity)

8/3/2010 for STARS-South Texas Academic Rising Scholars
(Name of Charity)

9/21/2010 for Charlie's Place
(Name of Charity)

10/26/2010 for STARS-South Texas Academic Rising Scholars
(Name of Charity)

For each charity listed, attach the following information:

- 1. A brief description of the activities or purposes of the charity**
- 2. The name and address of each individual who serves as an officer or director**
- 3. A copy of an I.R.S. letter of determination that qualifies the charity as an exempt organization for federal income tax purposes**

GULF COAST RACING
CHARITY DAY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
2010

About STARS...

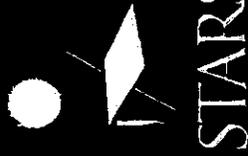
South Texas Academic Rising Scholars (STARS) was established in October 2002 as a grass-roots organization. It was founded with the goal of making higher education accessible to the students of South Texas. Since its beginnings, the STARS Scholarship Fund of South Texas has helped local students obtain higher education at the college or university of their choice.

The success of STARS is in large part due to the generous individuals and businesses within our local communities, our state and our nation that support our organization. Our Board of Directors is comprised of a diverse group of community leaders with the dedication of helping South Texas students achieve higher education.

The STARS Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to qualified students of South Texas annually. STARS provides scholarships through a general application process, in which recipients are selected on a competitive basis of academic achievement, personal strengths, leadership and financial need. STARS strives to ensure that deserving individuals have the opportunity for higher education.

STARS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent of the donor's adjusted gross income. For more information on STARS, please contact the STARS Scholarship Fund at 3900 N. McCall Road, McAllen, TX 78501. For more information on STARS, please contact the STARS Scholarship Fund at 3900 N. McCall Road, McAllen, TX 78501.

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Apply online at

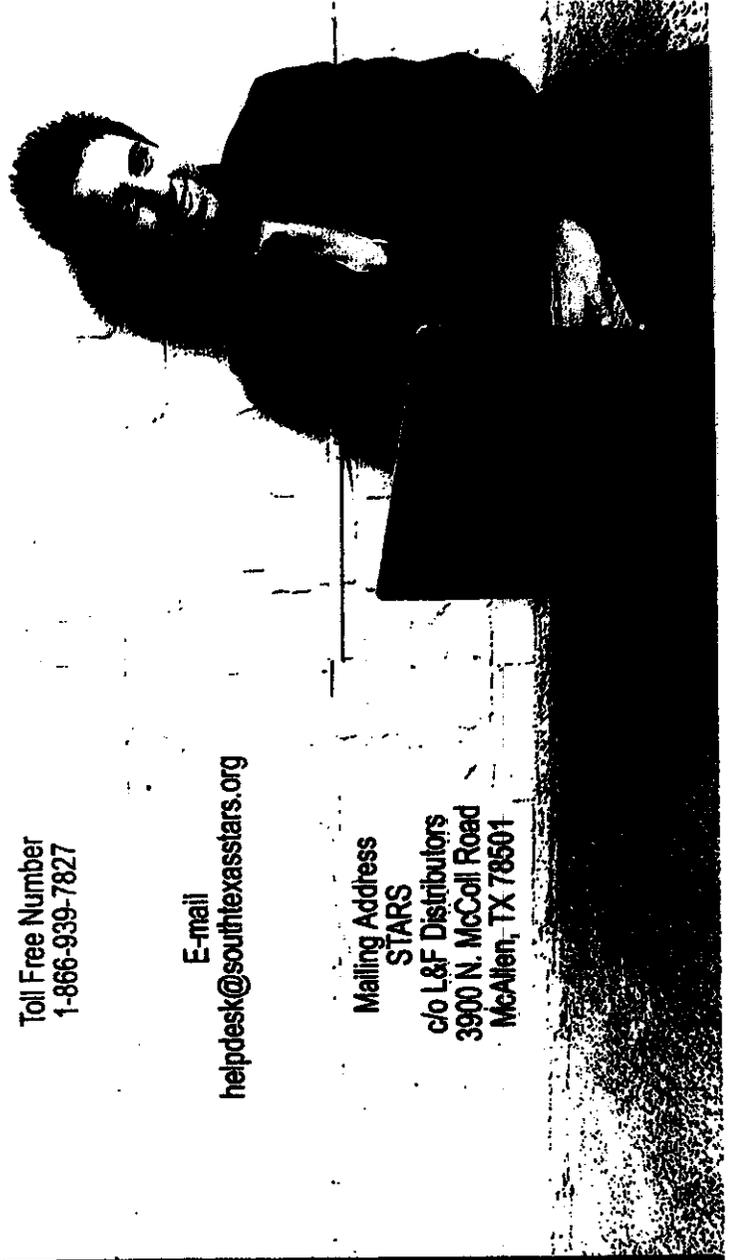
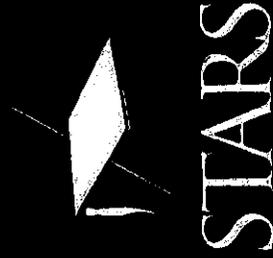
www.southtexasstars.org

Toll Free Number
1-866-939-7827

E-mail
helpdesk@southtexasstars.org

Mailing Address
STARS
c/o L&F Distributors
3900 N. McCall Road
McAllen, TX 78501

*Need help paying for school?
We can help...*



Frequently Asked Questions

Scholarship Criteria

When and where are STARS scholarship applications available?

Applications are available at the beginning of the calendar year on our website at www.southtexasstars.org. Applications may be submitted online or a PDF version is available and may be printed and submitted as a hard copy document. Applications are also available at all L&F Distributor locations (Alicia, Beeville, Corpus Christi, Harlingen, Laredo, McAllen, and Rio Grande City), college/university financial aid offices, high school counselor's offices and participating sponsors.

What do I need to do after I submit my application online?

Online applicants must print and submit a signed Certification and Release Form, along with required documents, as stated on application instructions, via mail by postmark deadline.

If I am from South Texas, but attending a school out of the area, can I still apply?

Yes, if you have a permanent residency in the South Texas area, you may still apply. Scholarship recipients can be enrolled in any U.S. accredited college or university of their choice.

Can High School graduates apply?

Yes, if applicant fulfills criteria which includes having at least 12 college credit hours in a U.S. accredited university or college (concurrent enrollment or dual credit courses apply) and have maintained at least a 2.7 GPA on a 4.0 scale in their college curriculum.

What happens if I have not decided what college or university I am going to attend in the coming academic year?

Applicants must fill out the application to the best of their knowledge. If selected as a scholarship recipient, STARS will require exact school information at a later date.

If I applied last year, can I apply again?

Yes, all students that meet requirements are encouraged to apply. Scholarships are awarded annually and selected on a competitive basis.

The application asks for a copy of a Student Aid Report (SAR), what is a SAR and how do I get one?

All applicants must apply for financial assistance by completing a FAFSA form (Free Application For Federal Student Aid) through your college/university or online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Once your FAFSA has been processed, you will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR). Applicants must provide a copy of their most current SAR, in order for STARS to process application.

STARS requires applicants apply to FAFSA, but I don't know if I qualify for Financial Aid, can I still apply?

STARS requires applicants apply to FAFSA because in the Student Aid Report is used in the application process. However, STARS does not require that applicants qualify for Federal Financial Aid.

Why does STARS require my current address from applicants?

STARS will make contact with applicants via mail on several occasions. All applicants will be notified via e-mail that STARS has received their application packet. In addition, STARS will attempt to contact applicants with any questions or updates that may arise.

Enrolled at a U.S. accredited 2 yr. community college (enrolled part-time or full-time) in a degree-seeking program, or a 4yr. university undergraduate program (enrolled full-time) seeking a Bachelor's Degree, or a university graduate program (enrolled full-time) seeking a Master's, Law or Doctorate Degree.

Have earned at least 12 undergraduate credit hours at a U.S. accredited college or university.

Have a minimum college cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale.

Must be a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident with a permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551 to apply.

Have a permanent residence within the 22 county South Texas area:

Aransas
Bee
Brooks
Cameron
Duval
Goliad
Hidalgo
Jim Hogg
Jim Wells
Karnes
Kenedy

Kleberg
La Salle
Live Oak
McMullen
Nueces
Refugio
San Patricio
Starr
Webb
Willacy
Zapata



STARS Partnerships

With the growth that each year brings, STARS continues to form partnerships with area colleges and universities that share in our mission to support the students of South Texas. These partnerships are part of a STARS Matching Funds Program that has proven extremely beneficial to our efforts and has allowed our funds to have a greater impact in our community. STARS partners include:

Del Mar College
Laredo Community College
South Texas College
Texas A&M International University
Texas A&M University

Texas A&M University Corpus Christi
Texas A&M University Kingsville
Texas State Technical College - Harlingen
Texas State University
Texas Tech University

The University of Texas at Pan American
The University of Texas Brownsville
and Texas Southmost College
The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

SOUTH TEXAS ACADEMIC RISING SCHOLARSHIPS



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CINCINNATI, OH 45201

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **MAR 15 2004**

Employer Identification Number:

DLN:

SOUTH TEXAS ACADEMIC RISING
SCHOLARS
C/O JOSEPH V LANANTIA JR
PO BOX 3068
MCALLEN, TX 78502

Contact Person:

KEITH JOYNEB

ID# 52449

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:

July 31

Form 990 Required:

Yes

Addendum Applies:

No

Dear Applicant:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

We have further determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code, because you are an organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. In the case of an amendment to your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

Since you are not a private foundation, you are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, if you are involved in an excess benefit transaction, that transaction might be subject to the excise taxes of section 4958. Additionally, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please contact your key district office.

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

Letter 947 (DO/CG)

Form **W-9**
(Rev. January 2002)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Name South Texas Academic Rising Scholars	
Business name, if different from above Formerly South Texas Hispanic/Student Scholarship Fund	
Check appropriate box: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/Sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Non-profit <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from backup withholding	Requester's name and address (optional)
Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) 3900 N McCall Road	
City, state, and ZIP code McAllen TX 78501	
List account number(s) here (optional)	

Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 2. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see How to get a TIN on page 3.

Social security number								

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Employer identification number								
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Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding; or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).

Certification instructions: You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. (See instructions on page 4.)

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person <i>[Signature]</i>	Date <i>12/19/03</i>
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Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS, must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

U.S. person. Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued).
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee.

Note: If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person, use the appropriate Form W-9 (see Pub. 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the recipient has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement that specifies the following five items:

- The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
- The treaty article addressing the income.
- The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
- The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
- Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

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COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

P.O. BOX 18528
AUSTIN, TX 78711-8528

June 1, 2004

Greg Lamantia, Vice Chairman
South Texas Academic Rising Scholars
P.O. Box 3068
McAllen, Texas 78502

Dear Mr. Lamantia:

Effective October 7, 2002, South Texas Academic Rising Scholars has been granted exempt status from Texas franchise tax and sales and use tax as a 501(c)(3) organization. The exemption does not extend to hotel occupancy tax.

We have assigned Texas taxpayer number _____ to the organization. Please reference this number in correspondence with us. The assignment of the taxpayer number does not mean the organization is permitted to collect or remit Texas taxes. Exempt organizations must collect taxes on most of their sales. Please give our Tax Assistance section a call at 1-800-252-5555 if you need a sales tax permit.

The sales tax exemption extends to goods and services purchased for use by your organization. The exemption does not apply if the purchase is for the personal benefit of an individual, or is not related to the organization's exempt purpose. For more information, please see our publication # 96-122, *Exempt Organizations -- Sales and Purchases*.

The sales tax exemption certificate can be issued instead of paying tax when buying taxable items related to the exempt purpose of the organization. The exemption certificate does not need a taxpayer identification number to be valid, but you may provide your taxpayer number if the seller requests it.

An exemption certificate is enclosed. Make as many copies of the exemption certificate as you need.

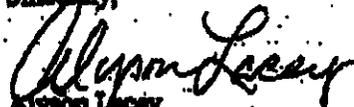
Changes to the organization's registered agent and registered office address must be filed with the Texas Secretary of State. The changes can be made online at <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/socda/index.shtml> or you can download the forms and instructions from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/nonprofit.shtml>. You can also contact them at corpinfo@sos.state.tx.us or by calling (512) 463-5582. It is important to maintain current registered agent information, because this is how we will contact you if we have reason to believe that your organization no longer qualifies for exemption.

Our goal is to provide you with prompt, professional service. Please take a moment to complete the enclosed survey. If it is more convenient, you may complete our on-line survey at <http://sixtop.cpa.state.tx.us/surveys/tpsuv/>.

If you have any questions, write to us at exempt.orgs@cpa.state.tx.us, or call us toll-free at 1-800-531-5441, extension 34236. Also, our publications, exemption certificates and other helpful information are online at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/exempt>.

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Sincerely,


Alyson Lacey
Exempt Organizations Section

Internal Revenue Service

Date: March 14, 2007

COASTAL BEND ALCOHOL-DRUG REHAB
CTR
% ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEPARTMENT
24 N COUNTRY CLUB PL
CRP CHRISTI TX 78407-1801

Department of the Treasury
P. O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

Person to Contact:
Kaye Keyes 31-07416
Customer Service Specialist
Toll Free Telephone Number:
877-829-5500
Federal Identification Number:

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your request of March 14, 2007, regarding your organization's tax-exempt status.

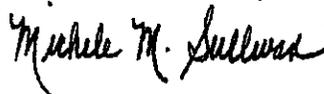
In April 1974 we issued a determination letter that recognized your organization as exempt from federal income tax. Our records indicate that your organization is currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that your organization is also classified as a public charity under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that contributions to your organization are deductible under section 170 of the Code, and that you are qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,



Michele M. Sullivan, Oper. Mgr.
Accounts Management Operations 1

Charlie's Place.....what is that?

**Amy Rhoads Granberry,
PHR**

**Director of Organizational
Development**

What is Charlie's Place ?

- Charlie's Place is a very unique modern treatment center offering comprehensive treatment and case management services to individuals diagnosed as chemically dependent.
- Charlie's Place began as a 24 hour club in 1965 and has since grown to offer the only stand alone medical detox center serving Corpus Christi and the surrounding areas, the only women and children's program serving 19 counties of South Texas, and the only long term treatment services for homeless individuals in South Texas. We currently serve at least 80 clients per day through residential services and over 1000 clients per year.
- Over the last 39+ years, over 26,000 clients and their families have been served through the services at Charlie's Place.

Services Offered

- Residential Detoxification—3-14 day average stay, 24 hour medical staff
- Intensive Residential—(formerly Level II)—14-30 day stay, 30 hours of scheduled programming per week, including: group counseling, individual counseling, education, life skills, and structured activities
- Supportive Residential—(formerly Level III)—14-30+ day stay, 6 hours of scheduled programming per week, including: group and individual counseling, education classes, life skills, structure activities, and intensive case management to assist in meeting all needs to obtain self sufficiency.
- Outpatient—(formerly Level IV)—up to 6 months, includes an individual session once per month and 2 groups weekly. Less intensive environment for those who have completed residential and/or those who do not require residential services.
- Family Program—educational sessions open to clients and their families while in treatment. Addresses the needs of the entire family in relationship to the addiction and how to resolve issues, etc.

Services Cont'd

- HUD Sunrise Recovery House program—designed to meet the needs of the homeless and chronically homeless person in need of long term treatment and support in order to reach self sufficiency. Program serves 14 persons per day with an average stay of 3-4 months. Eligible to stay up to 2 years.
- Specialized Female Services—specialized services designed to meet the needs of females age 18 and up who have children, even if the children do not enter treatment with the mother. More intensive case management than normal Intensive residential. Expanded to meet the prenatal and parenting needs of women.
- Casa de Familias—women and children's program. Only service available in Region 11 and one of only 8 in the state as of September 1, 2004. There has been a needed increase in this service statewide, however, the need for continued growth in this area remains. This program offers each mom the opportunity to bring her children with her rather than leaving with CPS, friends, or family. Includes all services offered under specialized female services

Intervention Graphics 2007

Treatment	Clients Served
Residential Detox	781
Intensive Residential	427
Supportive Residential	190
Women and Children	63(women only)
Specialized Female	47
Outpatient	76
Long term treatment (homeless men)	43
VA	27
SAMHSA-Meth Intervention	48
Federal Probation	56
Aransas County	47
SAMHSA-Homeless	59
Private Pay	35

Demographics Cont'd

• Gender		• Residency	
Male	899	Nueces Co	754
Female	398	San Patricio	66
Age		Aransas	59
18-25	221	Jim Wells	29
26-35	413	Hidalgo	100
36-65	659	Webb	93
65 & over	0	Bexar	8
• Race		Zavala	5
White	550	Kleberg	18
Hispanic	687	Bee	13
Black	51	Cameron	60
All other	9	all others	92

Where does the funding come from?

- Our primary funding source is the Department of State Health Services, Substance Abuse Division. DSHS provides the majority of funding for Detox, Residential, Casa de Familias, and Outpatient services.
- The US Department of Housing and Urban Development funds the Sunrise Recovery House (long term treatment for homeless)
- The United Way funds the majority of the family services program. +designations
- Several local foundations (Kenedy Foundation, Blanche Moore Foundation, Coastal Bend Community Foundation, and others) and Nueces County assist in meeting the cash matches required by DSHS and HUD.
- Private donations are used to provide activities and services not allowed under other funding sources. (about \$15,000-\$20,000 per year from fundraisers)

How to Contact us

- Administration 361-882-9302
- Residential Treatment 361-883-8109
- Online www.charliesplaceonline.com

Draft Mission/Vision/Core Values

Vision

We envision a safe and healthy community where:

- services are provided with compassion, professionalism and integrity
- addiction is accepted as a treatable disease and recovery is achievable,
- all desiring help receive services when they need them,
- everyone is actively involved and supportive of those trying to change their lives.

Mission

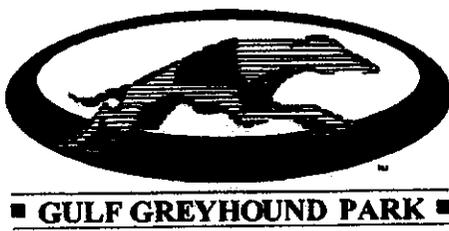
Promoting recovery from addiction through change.

Core Values

- Ethics
- Collaboration
- Advocacy
- Diversity
- Freedom
- Healing
- Family

Coastal Bend Alcohol & Drug Rehabilitation Center - "Charlie's Place" Board of Directors Roster
Revised 04/21/2009 Board Meeting Times--- Executive Bld 10:30---General Bld 11:45

	NAME AND POSITION	ADDRESS	BUS.	FAX#	HOME / CELL	Email
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1	Rick Smith, President	14313 Bluefish St. Corpus Christi, TX 78418				
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6	Lenard Nelson Appointee	PO Box 160, Rockport TX 78381				
7	Dr. Shevaun Beck/Appointee	6813 Aswan, Corpus Christi, TX 78412				
	~General Board~					
8	Brad Lomax	309 N. Water, Corpus Christi, TX 78401	882-2211	882-2835		
9	Kenneth Rackley	5901 Horizon Dr., Corpus Christi, TX 78408				
10	Nina Sisley, M.D.	62 Rock Creek Dr., Corpus Christi, TX 78412				
11	Henry Williams	2422 Summers, Corpus Christi, TX 78407	993-2223			
12	Judge Marisela Saldana	901 Leopard, 148 th District Ct. Rom 903, CC, TX 78401				
13	Bill Sparks	4902 S. Alameda #401, Corpus Christi, TX 78412	242-5265	241-0209		
14	Howard Murph	#14 Redbird Trail, Lamar-Rockport, TX 78382	790-0100			
15	Tamara Cochran-May	PO Box 1073 Portland TX 78374	643-2800	777-0549		
16	Victor Williams	1634 Hickory Place, Corpus Christi, TX 78416	774-0952			
17	Diane Lowrance	2225 Post Oak, Portland, TX 78374	886-6900	883-5842		
18	Phil Smith	8110 Valdemarillo, Corpus Christi, TX 78414	991-0272	991-3450		
19	A.C. Gilmore Jr.	1400 Ocean Dr. TH-1, CC, TX 78404	992-7011			
	~Advisory Board~					
20	Gerald Kizerian, PhD	5866 S. Staples # 320, Corpus Christi, TX 78413	902-4442			
21	James Tozer, M.D.	9853 Compton Road., Corpus Christi, TX 78418		939-8570		
22	Ann Fitz/Dev C	210 S. Carrizo, Corpus Christi, TX 78401				
23	Pat Weizel					
24	Pam Heard	114 Ivy Rockport, TX 78382	790-0128			
25	Marie Adams/Dev C	156 Cordula, Corpus Christi, TX 78411	884-9004			
26	George Finley III	3360 Ocean Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78411	289-0200			



Sally B. Briggs
General Manager

September 4, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Texas Racing Commission
P. O. Box 12080
Austin, TX 78711-2080

Re: Gulf Greyhound Park
2010 Live Race Date Request

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Please find enclosed the Gulf Greyhound Park request for live racing in 2010. We are requesting to run 6 performances a week for a total of 312 performances.

Gulf Greyhound Park is in full support of the Texas Greyhound Association's proposal to continue live racing in the State of Texas.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sally B. Briggs". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sally B. Briggs
General Manager

Enclosure

C: Diane Whiteley, Texas Greyhound Association
Andrea Young, Valley Race Park

T E X A S R A C I N G C O M M I S S I O N
R E Q U E S T F O R L I V E R A C E D A T E S
G R E Y H O U N D R A C E T R A C K S - 2 0 1 0

INSTRUCTIONS: Print or type the information requested in each section and attach all required documents and additional sheets if necessary. The Commission will not consider an incomplete request. The request must be filed at the Commission's Austin office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 3, 2008.

I. Schedule Requested

Name of Racetrack: GULF GREYHOUND PARK

Opening Day: 1 / 1 / 2010 Closing Day: 12 / 31 / 2010

Number of Performances per week scheduled for five or more races 6

Projected Number of Races per Performance * 13; All others 12

Number of Performances per week scheduled for fewer than five races **

Projected Number of Races per Performance 4 (1 on 12/26/2010)

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERFORMANCES REQUESTED 312

II. Charity Days

Indicate which days are designated as charity days:

DESIGNATED BY RULE

(1) A charity that directly benefits the persons who work on the backside:

1/6/2010 for Texas A&M Univ. Scholarship Fund 50%; Texas Greyhound Association 50%

(2) A charity that primarily benefits research into the health or safety of race animals:

2/10/2010 for Texas A&M Scholarship Fund
(Name of Charity)

7/8/2010 for Texas LaMarque Chamber of Commerce
(Name of Charity)

9/15/2010 for Galveston County Ronald McDonald House
(Name of Charity)

10/27/2010 for Communities In Schools - Bay Area, Inc.
(Name of Charity)

For each charity listed, attach the following information:

- 1. A brief description of the activities or purposes of the charity**
- 2. The name and address of each individual who serves as an officer or director**
- 3. A copy of an I.R.S. letter of determination that qualifies the charity as an exempt organization for federal income tax purposes**

GULF GREYHOUND PARK
CHARITY DAY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
2010

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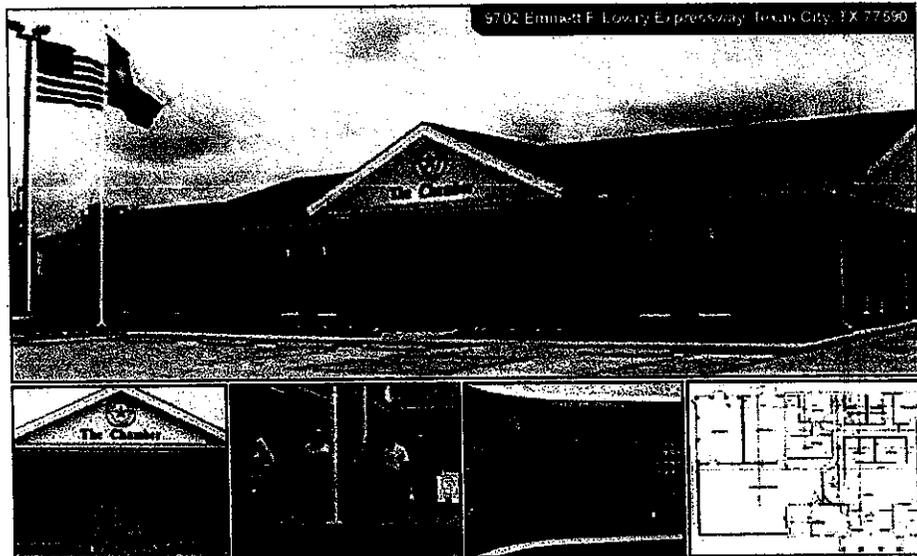
About The Chamber

The **Texas City-La Marque Chamber of Commerce** is settled in and open for business in the fabulous new Chamber Visitors Center located at 9702 Emmett F. Lowry Expressway in Texas City. The new facility neighbors College of the Mainland, Mall of the Mainland, and Gulfway Plaza. [VIEW MAP!](#)

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Click the Thumbnail Photos To Enlarge (*NOTE: Some viewers may need to turn off their Pop-Up Blocker software!)

★ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Texas City-La Marque Chamber of Commerce is an organization of businesses and people whose purpose is to create a positive business environment, assist in economic development, support public and private institutions, promote tourism and community involvement. In general, enhance the quality of life in our communities.

The Chamber works aggressively with the economic development agencies of the area including the Texas City Economic Development Corporation, The La Marque Economic Development Corporation as well as the Galveston County Economic Development Alliance to attract new business to the community as well as help existing companies get a competitive advantage in a global marketplace.

★ COMMUNITY PROJECTS

In addition to working on economic development, promoting tourism, welcoming newcomers and assisting new businesses, the Texas City-La Marque Chamber of Commerce is also dedicated to hosting and coordinating several community projects and events.

★ COMMITTEES AND NETWORKING

The Chamber offers the opportunity for all members to participate in any of the ten committees that meet during the year. In addition to the educational and networking opportunities available that committees offer, many other events and gatherings make networking possible.

★★ Click Here For Event Info!

What They're Saying About The New Location...

"After a substantial and collaborative effort from the Executive Board, Board of Directors, staff and feedback from members, the Chamber embarked on this new and exciting path for the future. Our purpose is to create a more prominent location with increased visibility and the needed space for larger group meetings." - Jimmy Hayley, Texas City-La Marque Chamber of Commerce

"I look at this change in location and ownership as an opportunity to grow and make a difference. It is a challenging responsibility, but one that has the potential for a lasting impact on the community that I live and work in." - Sally Briggs, Gulf Greyhound Park

"The legacy of this facility is one that will bear witness to the work and energy of all those with a commitment to excellence. The fundamental role of leading our community in a positive direction is the high standard that legacies are made of." - Matt Doyle, Mayor - City of Texas City

"The Chamber is on the move and investing in a permanent, more visible, facility which clearly reflects on the exciting direction we are taking." - Larry Crow, Mayor - City of La Marque

"The Chamber is the engine that provides a strong, stable business environment for this community. Investing in it's future is an investment in a better business environment and that just makes good business sense." - Fred Newhouse, Valero

"The ownership and asset equity is a sound business move that will make a lasting impact on the community. Taking care of business today is important but taking care of business for the future is imperative." - Richard DeVries, Standard Steel Supply, L.P

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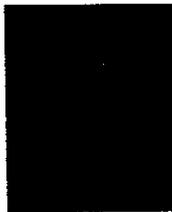
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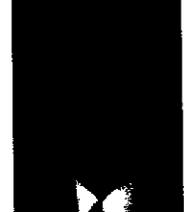
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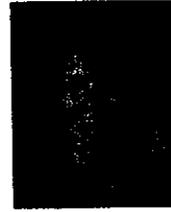
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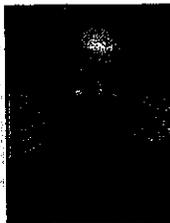
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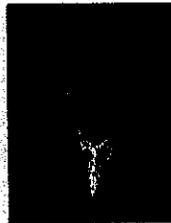
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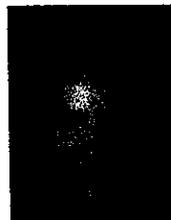
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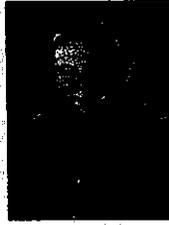
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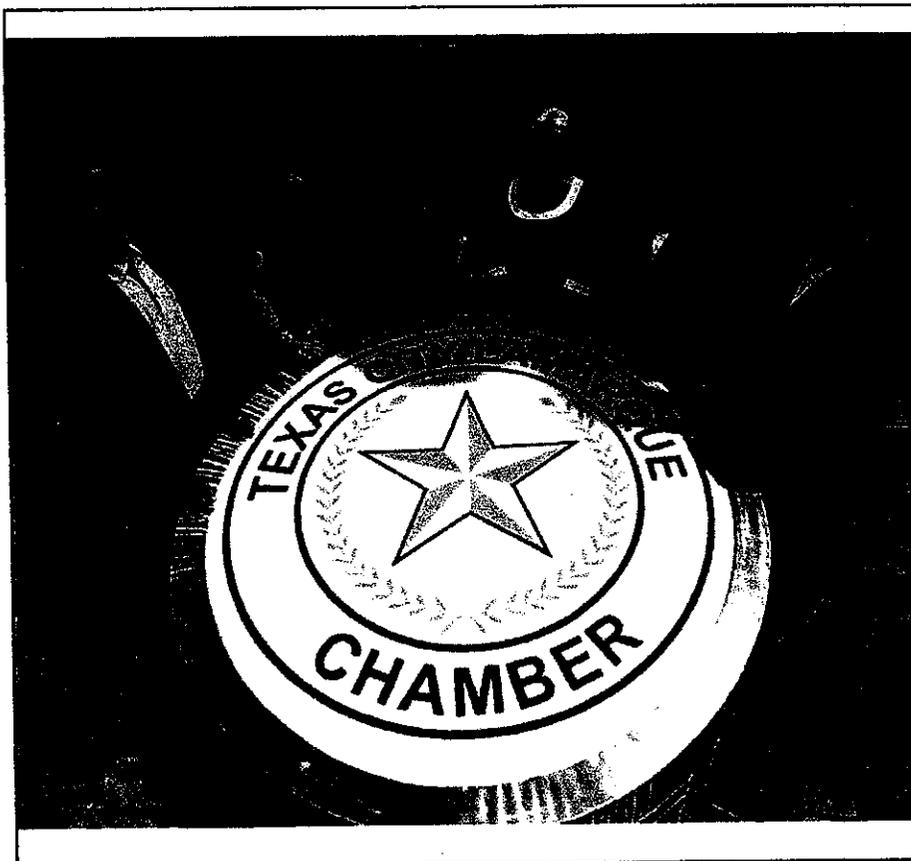
The **Texas City-La Marque Chamber of Commerce** and its staff are committed to continued efforts aimed at improving the quality of life for the citizens in the Texas City and La Marque communities. Get involved and get to know the Chamber staff! Stop by or call any time!

★★★ AT WORK FOR YOU & YOUR COMMUNITY ALL OF THE TIME! ★★★

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Left to right: Deloyd Harris, Staff Volunteer, Jenny Senter, Vice President, Dedra Meeks, Receptionist / Secretary, Leanne Post, Administrative Secretary / Committee Coordinator, Lorie Koster, Media Relations / Secretary, Jimmy Hayley, President.

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Address any reply to: 300 E. 8th St., Austin, Tex. 78701

Department of the Treasury

**District Director
Internal Revenue Service**

Date: _____ In reply refer to:

June 22, 1970 | A:EO:OSS

AUS:EO:70-589



▷ **Greater Texas City - La Marque
Chamber of Commerce
625 8th Avenue North
Texas City, Texas 77509**

— **Gentlemen:**

I. R. Code: Section 501(c): (6)

Address Inquiries and File Returns with District

Director of Internal Revenue: **Austin, Texas**

Accounting Period Ending: **December 31**

On the basis of your stated purposes and the understanding that your operations will continue as evidenced to date or will conform to those proposed in your ruling application, we have concluded that you are exempt from Federal income tax under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code section indicated above. Any changes in operations from those described, or in your character or purposes, must be reported immediately to your District Director for consideration of their effect upon your exempt status. You must also report any change in your name or address.

You are not required to file Federal income tax returns so long as you retain an exempt status, unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income imposed by section 511 of the Code, in which event you are required to file Form 990-T. You are required to file an information return, Form 990, annually on or before the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of your annual accounting period indicated above.

You are liable for the taxes imposed under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes); and for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act if you have four or more individuals in your employ.

Any questions concerning excise, employment or other Federal taxes should be submitted to this office.

This is a determination letter.

Sincerely yours,

R. L. Phinney
R. L. Phinney
District Director

The Ronald McDonald House Mission Statement

The Ronald McDonald House of Galveston shall be a non-profit organization established for the purpose of planning, building, maintaining, and operating a Ronald McDonald House in Galveston, Texas. The Ronald McDonald House of Galveston is a home-away-from-home for the families of children who are seeking medical evaluation or treatment. The House is more than just a place to stay; the families and children enjoy cheerful surroundings, emotional support, inexpensive and save accommodations, and the support of other families.

Vision Elements

The Ronald McDonald House of Galveston (RMHG) is committed:

Partnership Relations

- to creating and actively strengthening mutually beneficial partnerships with the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB), Transitional Learning Center (TLC), and Shriner's Children's Hospital.
- to developing an effective relationship with National Ronald McDonald House Charities while maintaining the successful relationship with Ronald McDonald House Charities locally.
- to extending a community partnership to include all those communities served, service organizations, schools, churches, cooperatives, volunteers, sororities and private donors.

House Operations

- to providing a "home-away-from-home" for families who come to Galveston seeking medical treatment for their children.
- to operating the House in an efficient and effective manner by volunteers facilitated by a highly committed, competent and empowered staff.

Fund Raising

- to involving its Board of Directors, volunteers, staff, outside entities and all communities that the House serves in identifying and securing fund-raising/friend-raising opportunities for the organization.
- to ensuring that annual operating expenses, emerging needs and endowment goals are accomplished.

Administration

- to ensuring the Board represents individuals with integrity, diverse backgrounds and expertise who are personally committed to actively supporting the mission and goals of the organization.
- to ensuring the organization is volunteer driven and supported by a highly committed, competent and empowered staff.
- to implementing excellent financial management strategies, plans and policies that support continuing growth.

New Initiatives

- to implementing new initiatives that are based on evaluating internal and external factors that may impact The Ronald McDonald House of Galveston operations.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
District Director

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
1100 Commerce St., Dallas, TX 75242

Person to Contact:
Customer Service Division

Telephone Number: 0
1-800-829-1040

Refer Reply to:
Mail Code 4940 DAL

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE
301 14TH STREET
GALVESTON, TEXAS 77550

Date:
January 16, 1988

EIN:

Dear Sir or Madam:

Our records show that the above named organization is exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. This exemption was granted January 1985 and remains in full force and effect.

Contributions to your organization are deductible in the manner and to the extent provided by section 170 of the Code.

We have classified your organization as one that is not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. Your organization is described in section 508(a)(1) & 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

This letter may be used to verify your tax exempt status.

If we may be of further assistance, please call the telephone number listed above or write to us at the address in the letterhead, Mail Code 4940DAL.

Sincerely,

Ed Ward J. Blazier

Edward J. Blazier
Chief, Employee Plans
and Exempt Organizations
Customer Service Division

Item Changed:

Name

From:

Help Give Us Support, Inc.

To:

The Ronald McDonald House of
Galveston

Executive Board

Susanne Sullivan	President
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HOW CAN YOU HELP?

As an individual...

- Consider tutoring a child to help increase the student's skills and knowledge level
- Provide encouragement and support as a student mentor

As a civic organization ...

- Sponsor an event or a classroom activity
- Provide incentives (i.e. theater passes, concert tickets, etc.) to promote positive student behavior, including improved school attendance, attitude and grades

As a business/corporation ...

- Encourage your employees to make classroom presentations
- Host a tour of your company
- Provide financial support to enhance and develop new programs



Communities In Schools-Bay Area
PO Box 580096
Houston, TX 77258



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What is Communities In Schools?

Communities In Schools-Bay Area (CIS-Bay Area) is a nationally recognized, non-profit, dropout prevention organization dedicated to helping at-risk youth in Bay Area-Houston stay in school and successfully learn in order to become productive future citizens. We believe every child needs and deserves the following:

- A personal one-on-one relationship with a caring adult
- A safe place to learn and grow
- A healthy start and a healthy future
- A marketable skill to use upon graduation
- A chance to give back to peers and the community

Our free services are coordinated and delivered through a network of volunteers, as well as partnerships with private businesses, the government, other community organizations and public schools.

COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS SERVICES

Educational Enhancement: Tutoring is made available to students on a one-on-one basis or in group settings. Students are also given incentives to excel academically.

Counseling/Supportive Guidance: CIS Case managers work regularly with students on any issue of concern. Referrals to agencies are made for extensive counseling for the students and their families.

Career Awareness: Staff persons offer pre-employment education to the students. Guest speakers present career opportunities in CIS group settings.

Health & Human Services: By way of networking with other social service agencies, CIS helps to provide food, shelter, clothing, health education and other basic life essentials for students and families.

Parental & Family Involvement: Parents are encouraged to be an intricate part of their child's development through parenting classes, home visits and various activities.

Enrichment: Activities, such as field trips and special events, are offered throughout the year to enhance the learning process. Before- and after-school groups are provided to aid in self-esteem building. Fun and educational summer programs are also available.

Communities In Schools- Bay Area Campus Sites

CLEAR CREEK INDEPENDENT

SCHOOL DISTRICT

- CLEAR BROOK HIGH SCHOOL
- CLEAR CREEK HIGH SCHOOL
- CLEAR LAKE HIGH SCHOOL
- CLEAR PATH - AEP
- CLEAR SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL
- CLEAR VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

- MCWHIRTER ELEMENTARY
- BROOKSIDE INTERMEDIATE
- LEAGUE CITY INTERMEDIATE
- VICTORY LAKES INTERMEDIATE

DICKINSON INDEPENDENT

SCHOOL DISTRICT

- KE LITTLE ELEMENTARY
- BARBER MIDDLE SCHOOL
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- MCADAMS JR. HIGH
- DICKINSON HIGH SCHOOL

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Communities in Schools
Bay Area, Inc.
PO Box 580096
Houston, TX 77258
Phone (281) 486-6698
Fax (281) 486-0405
www.cisba.org

Internal Revenue Service

Department of the Treasury

**P. O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201**

Date: June 4, 2003

Person to Contact:
Cassandra E. Jackson 31-07417
Customer Service Representative

Communities in Schools Bay Area, Inc.
P.O. Box 580096
Houston, TX 77258-0096

Toll Free Telephone Number:
8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. EST
877-829-5500

Fax Number:
513-263-3756

Federal Identification Number:

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your request of June 4, 2003 regarding your organization's tax exempt status.

Our records indicate that a determination letter issued in June 1988 granted your organization exemption from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. That letter is still in effect.

Based on information subsequently submitted, we classified your organization as one that is not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because it is an organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).

This classification was based on the assumption that your organization's operations would continue as stated in the application. If your organization's sources of support, or its character, method of operations, or purposes have changed, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on the exempt status and foundation status of your organization.

Your organization is required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, only if its gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of the organization's annual accounting period. The law imposes a penalty of \$20 a day, up to a maximum of \$10,000, when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay.

All exempt organizations (unless specifically excluded) are liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) on remuneration of \$100 or more paid to each employee during a calendar year. Your organization is not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, these organizations are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes.

Donors may deduct contributions to your organization as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to your organization or for its use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Communities in Schools Bay Area, Inc.
76-0231008

Your organization is not required to file federal income tax returns unless it is subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If your organization is subject to this tax, it must file an income tax return on the Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter, we are not determining whether any of your organization's present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

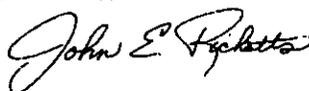
Section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to make your organization's annual return available for public inspection without charge for three years after the due date of the return. The law also requires organizations that received recognition of exemption on July 15, 1987, or later, to make available for public inspection a copy of the exemption application, any supporting documents and the exemption letter to any individual who requests such documents in person or in writing. Organizations that received recognition of exemption before July 15, 1987, and had a copy of their exemption application on July 15, 1987, are also required to make available for public inspection a copy of the exemption application, any supporting documents and the exemption letter to any individual who requests such documents in person or in writing. For additional information on disclosure requirements, please refer to Internal Revenue Bulletin 1999 - 17.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your organization's exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it with the organization's permanent records.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

This letter affirms your organization's exempt status.

Sincerely,



John E. Ricketts, Director, TE/GE
Customer Account Services



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The Board of Directors is the legal authority by which Communities In Schools – Bay Area, Inc. operates as a non-profit 501 (c) 3. More importantly, they provide the guidance needed for the agency to fulfill its mission. The CIS – Bay Area Board of Directors spend numerous hours ensuring that this mission is realized.

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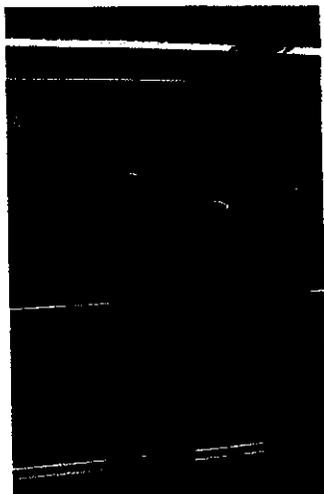
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Our Senior Advisory Council is composed of community leaders of influence and persons of high visibility who are interested in and willing to support Communities In Schools – Bay Area, but are unable to commit to the attendance requirements of active Directors. Senior Advisory Board members use their influence to benefit CIS-Bay Area and its mission.

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Our Mission: To champion the connection of needed community resources with schools to help young people stay in school, successfully learn, and prepare for life.

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PO Box 580096 Houston, TX 77258
Phone: 281-486-6698 Fax: 281-486-0405

GULF GREYHOUND PARK

(Name of Racetrack)

Requested Live Race Dates for 2010

JANUARY						
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14 M 1:30 PM Day-Light Savings Begins	15	16 GCR: E 7:00 PM	17 M 12 PM	18 E 7:00 PM	19 E 7:00 PM	20 M 1:30 PM E 7 PM
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23 M 1:30 PM	24	25 GCR: E 7:00 PM	26 M 12 PM	27 E 7:00 PM	28 E 7:00 PM	29 M 1:30 PM E 7 PM
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13 M 1:30 PM	14	15 GCR: E 7:00 PM	16 M 12 PM	17 E 7:00 PM	18 E 7:00 PM	19 M 1:30 PM E 7 PM
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AUGUST						
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SEPTEMBER						
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GULF GREYHOUND PARK

(Name of Racetrack)

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OCTOBER						
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17 M 1:30 PM	18	19 GCR: E 7:00 PM	20 M 12 PM	21 E 7:00 PM	22 E 7:00 PM	23 M 1:30 PM E 7 PM
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NOVEMBER						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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14 M 1:30 PM	15	16 GCR: E 7:00 PM	17 M 12 PM	18 E 7:00 PM	19 E 7:00 PM	20 M 1:30 PM E 7 PM
21 M 1:30 PM	22	23	24 M 12 PM	25 Thanksgiving E 7:00 PM	26 E 7:00 PM	27 M 1:30 PM E 7 PM
28 M 1:30 PM	29	30				

DECEMBER						
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26 M 1:30 PM **AM4:45 PM	27	28	29 M 12 PM	30 E 7:00 PM	31 E 6 PM New Years Eve	

2011 Greyhound Race Date Request

SEE SEPARATE FILES FOR THE FOLLOWING PAGES
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5302 Leopard Street
Corpus Christi, Texas 78408



361.289.9333
www.gulfcoastracetrack.com

September 4, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Texas Racing Commission
P. O. Box 12080
Austin, TX 78711-2080

Re: Gulf Coast Racing
2011 Live Race Request

Dear Mr. Jackson:

Gulf Coast Racing requests to run a five (5) day meet in August of 2011.

To support the Texas Greyhound Association's proposal in making an effort to improve the overall state of the Texas greyhound industry, we are requesting to run a 5-day, 5 performance meet in August of 2011.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sally B. Briggs". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sally B. Briggs
Operations Manager

C: Greg LaMantia
Diane Whiteley, Texas Greyhound Association
Andrea Young, Valley Race Park

T E X A S R A C I N G C O M M I S S I O N
R E Q U E S T F O R L I V E R A C E D A T E S
G R E Y H O U N D R A C E T R A C K S - 2 0 1 1

INSTRUCTIONS: Print or type the information requested in each section and attach all required documents and additional sheets if necessary. The Commission will not consider an incomplete request. The request must be filed at the Commission's Austin office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 17, 2009.

I. Schedule Requested

Name of Racetrack: Gulf Coast Racing

Opening Day: 8 / 23 / 2011 Closing Day: 8 / 27 / 2011

Number of Performances per week scheduled for five or more races 5

Projected Number of Races per Performance 12

Number of Performances per week scheduled for fewer than five races _____

Projected Number of Races per Performance _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF PERFORMANCES REQUESTED 5

II. Charity Days

Indicate which days are designated as charity days:

DESIGNATED BY RULE

(1) A charity that directly benefits the persons who work on the backside:

8/23/2011 for Texas Greyhound Association
(Name of Charity)

(2) A charity that primarily benefits research into the health or safety of race animals:

8 /24 /2011 for Texas A&M University Scholarship Fund
(Name of Charity)

8/25 /2011 for STARS-South Texas Academic Rising Scholars
(Name of Charity)

8/ 26/2011 for Charlie's Place
(Name of Charity)

8 /27 /2011 for STARS-South Texas Academic Rising Scholars
(Name of Charity)

For each charity listed, attach the following information:

- 1. A brief description of the activities or purposes of the charity**
- 2. The name and address of each individual who serves as an officer or director**
- 3. A copy of an I.R.S. letter of determination that qualifies the charity as an exempt organization for federal income tax purposes**

GULF COAST RACING
 (Name of Racetrack)
 Requested Live Race Dates for 2011

JANUARY						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 New Year's Day
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30	31					

FEBRUARY						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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20	21 Presidents Day	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

MARCH						
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GULF COAST RACING

(Name of Racetrack)

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MAY						
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Preakness
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31				

JUNE						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Gulf Coast Racing
(Name of Racetrack)
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AUGUST						
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28	29	30	31			

GULF COAST RACING
CHARITY DAY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
2011

About STARS...

South Texas Academic Rising Scholars (STARS) was established in October 2002 as a grass-roots organization. It was founded with the goal of making higher education accessible to the students of South Texas. Since its beginnings, the STARS Scholarship Fund of South Texas has helped local students obtain higher education at the college or university of their choice.

The success of STARS is in large part due to the generous individuals and businesses within our local communities, our state and our nation that support our organization. Our Board of Directors is comprised of a diverse group of community leaders with the dedication of helping South Texas students achieve higher education.

The STARS Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to qualified students of South Texas annually. STARS provides scholarships through a general application process, in which recipients are selected on a competitive basis of academic achievement, personal strengths, leadership and financial need. STARS strives to ensure that deserving individuals are not left without the opportunities for learning and discovery that are available to all.

STARS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent of the donor's adjusted gross income. For more information on how to donate, please contact the STARS office at 3900 N. McCoil Road, McAllen, TX 78501. For more information on the STARS Scholarship Fund, please visit our website at www.southtexasstars.org.

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McAllen, TX 78501

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STARS



Frequently Asked Questions

Scholarship Criteria

Enrolled at a U.S. accredited 2 yr. community college (enrolled part-time or full-time) in a degree-seeking program, or a 4yr. university undergraduate program (enrolled full-time) seeking a Bachelor's Degree, or a university graduate program (enrolled full-time) seeking a Master's, Law or Doctorate Degree.

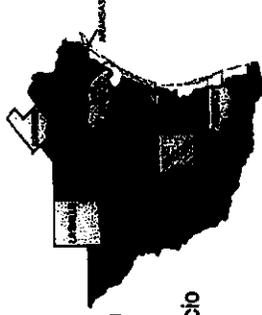
Have earned at least 12 undergraduate credit hours at a U.S. accredited college or university.

Have a minimum college cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale.

Must be a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident with a permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551 to apply.

Have a permanent residence within the 22 county South Texas area:

Aransas
Bee
Brooks
Cameron
Duval
Goliad
Hidalgo
Jim Hogg
Jim Wells
Karnes
Kenedy
Kleberg
La Salle
Live Oak
McMullen
Nueces
Refugio
San Patricio
Starr
Webb
Willacy
Zapata



When and where are STARS scholarship applications available?
Applications are available at the beginning of the calendar year on our website at www.southtexasstars.org. Applications may be submitted online or a PDF version is available and may be printed and submitted as a hard copy document. Applications are also available at L&F Distributor locations (Alicia, Beeville, Corpus Christi, Harlingen, Laredo, McAllen, and Rio Grande City), college/university financial aid offices, high school counselor's offices and participating sponsors.

What do I need to do after I submit my application online?
Online applicants must print and submit a signed Certification and Release Form, along with required documents, as stated on application instructions, via mail by postmark deadline.

If I am from South Texas, but attending a school out of the area, can I still apply?
Yes, if you have a permanent residency in the South Texas area, you may still apply. Scholarship recipients can be enrolled in any U.S. accredited college or university of their choice.

Can High School graduates apply?
Yes, if applicant fulfills criteria which includes having at least 12 college credit hours in a U.S. accredited university or college (concurrent enrollment or dual credit courses apply) and have maintained at least a 2.7 GPA on a 4.0 scale in their college curriculum.

What happens if I have not decided what college or university I am going to attend in the coming academic year?
Applicants must fill out the application to the best of their knowledge. If selected as a scholarship recipient, STARS will require exact school information at a later date.

If I applied last year, can I apply again?
Yes, all students that meet requirements are encouraged to apply. Scholarships are awarded annually and selected on a competitive basis.

The application asks for a copy of a Student Aid Report (SAR), what is a SAR and how do I get one?
All applicants must apply for financial assistance by completing a FAFSA form (Free Application For Federal Student Aid) through your college/university or online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Once your FAFSA has been processed, you will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR). Applicants must provide a copy of their most current SAR, in order for STARS to process application.

STARS requires applicants apply for FAFSA, but I know I do not qualify for Financial Aid, can I still apply?
STARS requires applicants apply for FAFSA because the Student Aid Report is used in the application process. However, STARS does not require that applicants qualify to receive Financial Aid.

Why does STARS require an e-mail address from applicants?
STARS will make contact with applicants via e-mail on several occasions. All applicants will be notified via e-mail that STARS has received their application packet. In addition, STARS will attempt to contact applicants with any questions or updates that may arise.

STARS Partnerships

With the growth that each year brings, STARS continues to form partnerships with area colleges and universities that share in our mission to support the students of South Texas. These partnerships are part of a STARS Matching Funds Program that has proven extremely beneficial to our efforts and has allowed our funds to have a greater impact in our community. STARS partners include:

Del Mar College
Laredo Community College
South Texas College
Texas A&M International University
Texas A&M University

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
Texas A&M University-Kingsville
Texas State Technical College - Harlingen
Texas State University
Texas Tech University

The University of Texas at Pan American
The University of Texas-Brewster
and Texas Southmost College
The University of Texas Health Science
Center at San Antonio

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INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **MAR 15 2004**

Employer Identification Number:

DLR:

SOUTH TEXAS ACADEMIC RISING
SCHOLARS
C/O JOSEPH V LAMANTIA JR
PO BOX 3068
MCALLEN, TX 78502

Contact Person:

KEITH JOYNEB

ID# 52448

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:

July 31

Form 990 Required:

Yes

Addendum Applies:

No

Dear Applicant:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

We have further determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code, because you are an organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. In the case of an amendment to your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

Since you are not a private foundation, you are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, if you are involved in an excess benefit transaction, that transaction might be subject to the excise taxes of section 4858. Additionally, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please contact your key district office.

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

Letter 947 (DO/02)



COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

P.O. BOX 18528
AUSTIN, TX 78711-8528

June 1, 2004

Greg Lamantia, Vice Chairman
South Texas Academic Rising Scholars
P.O. Box 3068
McAllen, Texas 78502

Dear Mr. Lamantia:

Effective October 7, 2002, South Texas Academic Rising Scholars has been granted exempt status from Texas franchise tax and sales and use tax as a 501(c)(3) organization. The exemption does not extend to hotel occupancy tax.

We have assigned Texas taxpayer number _____ to the organization. Please reference this number in correspondence with us. The assignment of the taxpayer number does not mean the organization is permitted to collect or remit Texas taxes. Exempt organizations must collect taxes on most of their sales. Please give our Tax Assistance section a call at 1-800-252-5555 if you need a sales tax permit.

The sales tax exemption extends to goods and services purchased for use by your organization. The exemption does not apply if the purchase is for the personal benefit of an individual, or is not related to the organization's exempt purpose. For more information, please see our publication # 96-122, *Exempt Organizations - Sales and Purchases*.

The sales tax exemption certificate can be issued instead of paying tax when buying taxable items related to the exempt purpose of the organization. The exemption certificate does not need a taxpayer identification number to be valid, but you may provide your taxpayer number if the seller requests it.

An exemption certificate is enclosed. Make as many copies of the exemption certificate as you need.

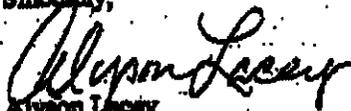
Changes to the organization's registered agent and registered office address must be filed with the Texas Secretary of State. The changes can be made online at <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/socada/index.shtml> or you can download the forms and instructions from <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/corp/nonprofit.shtml>. You can also contact them at corpinfo@sos.state.tx.us or by calling (512) 463-5552. It is important to maintain current registered agent information, because this is how we will contact you if we have reason to believe that your organization no longer qualifies for exemption.

Our goal is to provide you with prompt, professional service. Please take a moment to complete the enclosed survey. If it is more convenient, you may complete our on-line survey at <http://aixtop.opa.state.tx.us/surveya/psurv/>.

If you have any questions, write to us at exempt.orgs@opa.state.tx.us, or call us toll-free at 1-800-531-5441, extension 34290. Also, our publications, exemption certificates and other helpful information are online at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/exempt>.

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Sincerely,


Alyson Lacey
Exempt Organizations Section

Internal Revenue Service

Date: March 14, 2007

COASTAL BEND ALCOHOL-DRUG REHAB
CTR
% ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEPARTMENT
24 N COUNTRY CLUB PL
CRP CHRISTI TX 78407-1801

Department of the Treasury
P. O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

Person to Contact:
Kaye Keyes 31-07416
Customer Service Specialist
Toll Free Telephone Number:
877-829-5500
Federal Identification Number:

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your request of March 14, 2007, regarding your organization's tax-exempt status.

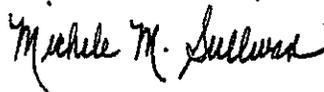
In April 1974 we issued a determination letter that recognized your organization as exempt from federal income tax. Our records indicate that your organization is currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that your organization is also classified as a public charity under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that contributions to your organization are deductible under section 170 of the Code, and that you are qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,



Michele M. Sullivan, Oper. Mgr.
Accounts Management Operations 1

Charlie's Place.....what is that?

Amy Rhoads Granberry,
PHR

Director of Organizational
Development

What is Charlie's Place ?

- Charlie's Place is a very unique modern treatment center offering comprehensive treatment and case management services to individuals diagnosed as chemically dependent.
- Charlie's Place began as a 24 hour club in 1965 and has since grown to offer the only stand alone medical detox center serving Corpus Christi and the surrounding areas, the only women and children's program serving 19 counties of South Texas, and the only long term treatment services for homeless individuals in South Texas. We currently serve at least 80 clients per day through residential services and over 1000 clients per year.
- Over the last 39+ years, over 26,000 clients and their families have been served through the services at Charlie's Place.

Services Offered

- Residential Detoxification—3-14 day average stay, 24 hour medical staff
- Intensive Residential—(formerly Level II)—14-30 day stay, 30 hours of scheduled programming per week, including: group counseling, individual counseling, education, life skills, and structured activities
- Supportive Residential—(formerly Level III)—14-30+ day stay, 6 hours of scheduled programming per week, including: group and individual counseling, education classes, life skills, structure activities, and intensive case management to assist in meeting all needs to obtain self sufficiency.
- Outpatient—(formerly Level IV)-up to 6 months, includes an individual session once per month and 2 groups weekly. Less intensive environment for those who have completed residential and/or those who do not require residential services.
- Family Program—educational sessions open to clients and their families while in treatment. Addresses the needs of the entire family in relationship to the addiction and how to resolve issues, etc.

Services Cont'd

- HUD Sunrise Recovery House program—designed to meet the needs of the homeless and chronically homeless person in need of long term treatment and support in order to reach self sufficiency. Program serves 14 persons per day with an average stay of 3-4 months. Eligible to stay up to 2 years.
- Specialized Female Services—specialized services designed to meet the needs of females age 18 and up who have children, even if the children do not enter treatment with the mother. More intensive case management than normal Intensive residential. Expanded to meet the prenatal and parenting needs of women.
- Casa de Familias—women and children's program. Only service available in Region 11 and one of only 8 in the state as of September 1, 2004. There has been a needed increase in this service statewide, however, the need for continued growth in this area remains. This program offers each mom the opportunity to bring her children with her rather than leaving with CPS, friends, or family. Includes all services offered under specialized female services

Client Demographics 2007

Treatment	Clients Served
Residential Detox	781
Intensive Residential	427
Supportive Residential	190
Women and Children	63(women only)
Specialized Female	47
Outpatient	76
Long term treatment (homeless men)	43
VA	27
SAMHSA-Meth Intervention	48
Federal Probation	56
Aransas County	47
SAMHSA-Homeless	59
Private Pay	35

Demographics Cont'd

• Gender		• Residency	
Male	899	Nueces Co	754
Female	398	San Patricio	66
		Aransas	59
Age		Jim Wells	29
18-25	221	Hidalgo	100
26-35	413	Webb	93
36-65	659	Bexar	8
65 & over	0	Zavala	5
• Race		Kleberg	18
White	550	Bee	13
Hispanic	687	Cameron	60
Black	51	all others	92
All other	9		

Where does the funding come from?

- Our primary funding source is the Department of State Health Services, Substance Abuse Division. DSHS provides the majority of funding for Detox, Residential, Casa de Familias, and Outpatient services.
- The US Department of Housing and Urban Development funds the Sunrise Recovery House (long term treatment for homeless)
- The United Way funds the majority of the family services program. +designations
- Several local foundations (Kenedy Foundation, Blanche Moore Foundation, Coastal Bend Community Foundation, and others) and Nueces County assist in meeting the cash matches required by DSHS and HUD.
- Private donations are used to provide activities and services not allowed under other funding sources. (about \$15,000-\$20,000 per year from fundraisers)

How to Contact us

- Administration 361-882-9302
- Residential Treatment 361-883-8109
- Online www.charliesplaceonline.com

Draft Mission/Vision/Core Values

Vision

We envision a safe and healthy community where:

- services are provided with compassion, professionalism and integrity
- addiction is accepted as a treatable disease and recovery is achievable,
- all desiring help receive services when they need them,
- everyone is actively involved and supportive of those trying to change their lives.

Mission

Promoting recovery from addiction through change.

Core Values

- Ethics
- Collaboration
- Advocacy
- Diversity
- Freedom
- Healing
- Family

Coastal Bend Alcohol & Drug Rehabilitation Center - "Charlie's Place" Board of Directors Roster
Revised 04/21/2009 Board Meeting times--- Executive Brd 10:30---General Brd 11:45

	NAME AND POSITION	ADDRESS	BUS.	FAX#	HOME / CELL	Email
	~Executive Board~					
1	Rick Smith, President	14313 Bluefish St. Corpus Christi, TX 78418				
2	Dennis Dolce, Past President	2424 S.P.I.D, Corpus Christi, TX 78415	854-4718	854-9947		
3	Barbara Dolce, Vice President	2424 S.P.I.D., Corpus Christi, TX 78415				
4	Heather L. Smith Psy D. Secretary	14501 Compass St. #218, CC, TX 78418	887-9066			
5	Deacon Bob Allen, Treasurer	5210 Graford Place, Corpus Christi, TX 78413				
6	Lenard Nelson Appointee	PO Box 160, Rockport TX 78381				
7	Dr. Shevaun Beck/Appointee	6813 Aswan, Corpus Christi, TX 78412				
	~General Board~					
8	Brad Lomax	309 N. Water, Corpus Christi, TX 78401	882-2211	882-2835		
9	Kenneth Rackley	5901 Horizon Dr., Corpus Christi, TX 78408				
10	Nina Sisley, M.D.	62 Rock Creek Dr., Corpus Christi, TX 78412				
11	Henry Williams	2422 Summers, Corpus Christi, TX 78407	993-2223			
12	Judge Marisela Saldana	901 Leopard, 148 th District Ct. Rom 903, CC, TX 78401				
13	Bill Sparks	4902 S. Alameda #401, Corpus Christi, TX 78412	242-5265	241-0209		
14	Howard Murph	#14 Redbird Trail, Lamar-Rockport, TX 78382	790-0100			
15	Tamara Cochran-May	PO Box 1073 Portland TX 78374	643-2800	777-0549		
16	Victor Williams	1634 Hickory Place, Corpus Christi, TX 78416	774-0952			
17	Diane Lowrance	2225 Post Oak, Portland, TX 78374	886-6900	883-5842		
18	Phil Smith	8110 Valdemarillo, Corpus Christi, TX 78414	991-0272	991-3450		
19	A.C. Gilmore Jr.	1400 Ocean Dr. TH-1, CC, TX 78404	992-7011			
	~Advisory Board~					
20	Gerald Kizerian, PhD	5866 S. Staples # 320, Corpus Christi, TX 78413	902-4442			
21	James Tozer, M.D.	9853 Compton Road., Corpus Christi, TX 78418		939-8570		
22	Ann Fitz/Dev C	210 S. Carrizo, Corpus Christi, TX 78401				
23	Pat Walzel					
24	Pam Heard	114 Ivy Rockport, TX 78382	790-0128			
25	Marie Adams/Dev C	156 Cordula, Corpus Christi, TX 78411	884-9004			
26	George Finley III	3360 Ocean Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78411	289-0200			



July 29, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Deputy Director
Texas Racing Commission
P.O. Box 12080
Austin, TX 78711-2080

Dear Mr. Jackson:

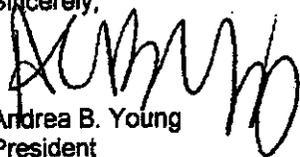
Enclosed please find Valley Race Park's 2011 race date application for the Commission's consideration. In summary, we are pleased to request the following dates at this time:

- June 30 – July 4, 2011 Festival of Racing (5 days)

Accompanying this request is a letter outlining our desire to amend our 2009 Winter Meet in order to accommodate the Texas Greyhound Association's proposal to improve the overall state of the greyhound industry in Texas in this challenging economic environment.

If you have any questions or should require any further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


Andrea B. Young
President

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www.valleyracepark.com

IV. F. 103



July 16, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Deputy Director
Texas Racing Commission
P.O. Box 12080
Austin, TX 78711-2080

Dear Mr. Jackson:

On behalf of Valley Race Park, I respectfully request to amend our Race Date Calendar for the upcoming Greyhound Meeting scheduled to begin on Friday, November 27. Our request eliminates 15 race dates at Valley Race Park thereby eliminating the meet entirely.

As you are aware, Valley Race Park has been dependent on out-of-state kennels to operate our short meet for some time. This dependence has made it increasingly difficult to contract with a majority of Texas kennels as required under the Texas Racing Act. We recognize that while the cost of raising a greyhound has increased, purses have declined making it less attractive to race at Valley Race Park.

Our request is consistent with the Texas Greyhound Association's (TGA) proposal to improve the overall state of the greyhound industry in Texas by creating one, premier track that hosts the majority of the live racing opportunities in the state at viable purse levels. This plan should help to both preserve and grow the number of greyhounds and greyhound breeders in Texas to a level to support year round racing again at Valley Race Park.

This proposal has been vetted with both Valley Race Park and Racing Commission staff. It is our belief that the TGA's proposal is what is best for the Texas Greyhound industry at this time. If our request is honored, we plan to spend the next year working with local officials and community leaders to develop a Festival of Racing – an annual, one weekend, multi-purpose event highlighted by Greyhound racing beginning in 2011. We will also work with the TGA to reach an agreement on purses for our Festival of Racing and allocate our simulcast purses to supplement the live purses at Gulf Greyhound Park.

If you have any questions or should require any further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


Andrea B. Young
President

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IV. F. 104

TEXAS RACING COMMISSION REQUEST FOR LIVE RACE DATES GREYHOUND RACETRACKS - 2011

INSTRUCTIONS: Print or type the information requested in each section and attach all required documents and additional sheets if necessary. The Commission will not consider an incomplete request. The request must be filed at the Commission's Austin office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, July 17, 2009.

I. Schedule Requested

Name of Racetrack: Valley Race Park

Opening Day: 6 / 30 / 2011 Closing Day: 7 / 4 / 2011

Number of Performances per week scheduled for five or more races	<u>5</u>
Projected Number of Races per Performance	<u>13</u>
Number of Performances per week scheduled for fewer than five races	<u>---</u>
Projected Number of Races per Performance	<u>---</u>
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERFORMANCES REQUESTED	<u>5</u>

II. Charity Days

Indicate which days are designated as charity days:

DESIGNATED BY RULE

(1) A charity that directly benefits the persons who work on the backside:

7/4/2011 for Texas Greyhound Association
(Name of Charity)

(2) A charity that primarily benefits research into the health or safety of race animals:

7/3/2011 for Texas A&M School of Veterinary
(Name of Charity)

7/2/2011 for Literacy Center
(Name of Charity)

7/1/2011 for RGV Livestock & Rodeo
(Name of Charity)

6/30/2011 for Harlingen Humane Society
(Name of Charity)

For each charity listed, attach the following information:

- 1. A brief description of the activities or purposes of the charity**
- 2. The name and address of each individual who serves as an officer or director**
- 3. A copy of an I.R.S. letter of determination that qualifies the charity as an exempt organization for federal income tax purposes**

III. Dates Requested

Indicate on the attached calendar each live race performance requested with a

- "M" denoting a Matinee performance with five or more races;
- "AM" denoting an Abbreviated Matinee with fewer than five races;
- "E" denoting an Evening performance with five or more races; or
- "AE" denoting an Abbreviated Evening performance with fewer than five races.

Include standard post time for each performance in space provided on calendar. Any exceptions, such as on holidays, should be noted.

IV. Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on 7-29, 2009, a true and correct copy of this request was sent to the persons listed below by:

- Certified Mail R.R.R.
 Regular Mail
 Facsimile
 Hand Delivery

[Handwritten Signature] *President*
 Signature Title

Gulf Coast Racing Association
 c/o Rick Pimentel
 General Manager
 5302 Leopard Street
 Corpus Christi, TX 78408

Gulf Greyhound Park
 c/o Sally Briggs, General Manager
 1000 FM 2004
 La Marque, TX 77568-0488

Valley Race Park
 c/o Andrea Young, President
 2601 South Ed Carey Drive
 Harlingen, TX 78552

cc: Diane Whitely

Valley Race Park
 (Name of Racetrack)
 Requested Live Race Dates for 2011

JANUARY						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 New Year's Day
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Martin Luther King, Jr	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

FEBRUARY						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Presidents Day	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

MARCH						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Daylight Savings Begins	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Valley Race Park
 (Name of Racetrack)
Requested Live Race Dates for 2011

APRIL						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Easter	25	26	27	28	29	30

MAY						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Kentucky Derby
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Preakness
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day	31				

JUNE						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Belmont
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 E1		

Valley Race Park

(Name of Racetrack)

Requested Live Race Dates for 2011

JULY						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 E2	2 E3
3 E4	4 E5 Independence Day	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

AUGUST						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

The Literacy Center

H A R L I N G E N

The Literacy Center of Harlingen is a 501(c)(3), non-profit, tax-exempt corporation. The Literacy Center's purpose is to enable adults to acquire the listening, speaking, reading and writing skills they need to help themselves in their daily lives, and to more fully participate in the community in which they live.

*Get involved...
Teach adults to read,
write and
speak English*

Some Literacy Facts:

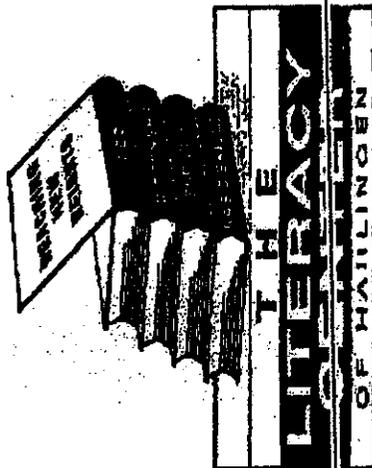
- More than 90 million Americans have difficulty with basic literacy skills.
- 80 percent of the inmates in Texas prisons are functionally illiterate.
- Illiteracy in America is a solvable problem.

*As a volunteer you can
make a difference.*

For more information contact:

The Literacy Center of Harlingen
101 E. Monroe
Harlingen, TX 79550
(956) 428-8883

 Member of United Way



The Literacy Center of Harlingen
101 E. Monroe
Harlingen TX 79550

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
DISTRICT DIRECTOR
1100 COMMERCE STREET
DALLAS, TX 75242-0000

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Attn:

Odellia

Date: APR 21 1993

Employer Identification Number:

Contact Person:

SHARI FLOWERS

Contact Telephone Number:

(214) 767-3526

HARLINGEN LITERACY CENTER INC
801 N 13TH ST SUITE 17
HARLINGEN, TX 78550-5073

Our Letter Dated:

FEBRUARY 14, 1989

Addendum Applies:

NO

Dear Applicant:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization that is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Your exempt status under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is still in effect. Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).

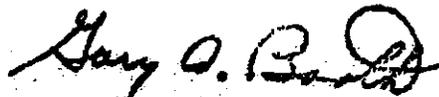
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If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,



Gary O. Booth
District Director

Letter 1050(DO/CG)

IV. F. III

Internal Revenue Service
District Director

1100 COMMERCE STREET
DALLAS, TX 75242 0000

Department of the Treasury

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Date FEB 14 1989

HARLINGEN LITERACY CENTER INC
1237 N 77 SUNSHINE STRIP
HARLINGEN, TX 78550

Employer Identification Number:

Contact Person:
EO TECHNICAL ASSISTOR
Contact Telephone Number:
(214) 767-3526

Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Foundation Status Classification:
509(a)(2)
Advance Ruling Period Begins
June 20, 1988
Advance Ruling Period Ends:
December 31, 1992
Addendum Applies
No

Dear Applicant

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably be expected to be a publicly supported organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Accordingly, you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation, during an advance ruling period. This advance ruling period begins and ends on the dates shown above.

Within 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period, you must submit to us information needed to determine whether you have met the requirements of the applicable support test during the advance ruling period. If you establish that you have been a publicly supported organization, you will be classified as a section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) organization as long as you continue to meet the requirements of the applicable support test. If you do not meet the public support requirements during the advance ruling period, you will be classified as a private foundation for future periods. Also, if you are classified as a private foundation, you will be treated as a private foundation from the date of your inception for purposes of sections 507(d) and 4940.

Grantors and contributors may rely on the determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you submit the required information within the 90 days, grantors and contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until the Service makes a final determination of your foundation status.

Letter 1045(DO/CG)

IV. F. 112

Internal Revenue Service

Date: May 12, 2005

HARLINGEN LITERACY CENTER INC
101 E MONROE
HARLINGEN TX 78550-5517Department of the Treasury
P. O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201**Person to Contact:**
Schaquistia Bolton 31-08028
Customer Service Representative
Toll Free Telephone Number:
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. ET
877-829-5500
Fax Number:
513-263-3756
Federal Identification Number:

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your request of May 12, 2005, regarding your organization's tax-exempt status.

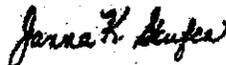
In February 1989 we issued a determination letter that recognized your organization as exempt from federal income tax. Our records indicate that your organization is currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that your organization is also classified as a public charity under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records indicate that contributions to your organization are deductible under section 170 of the Code, and that you are qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Internal Revenue Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,

Janna K. Skufca, Director, TE/GE
Customer Account Services

A brief description of the activities or purposes of the charity.

The purpose of this Organization, as set forth in its bylaws, is primarily for the education of young people in Texas, particularly in the lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas, in the care, grooming, management, showing and marketing of livestock, to cooperate with the various organizations otherwise training youth, to give youth an incentive to work harder in their training, to give them an outlet for the demonstration of the work they have done in the handling of livestock and in the growing of farm products, and to maintain public affairs and exhibits in connection with such educational programs.

The name and address of each individual who serves as an officer or director.
See attached Word document.

A copy of an IRS letter of determination that qualifies the charity as an exempt organization for federal income tax purposes.
See attached pdf. Document.

Again, thank you so much. If there is anything else you need from us, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to having Valley Race Park as the Sponsor of the Pet Show for the 2009 Show.

Dawn

Dawn Roe Administrative Assistant/Sponsor Coordinator droe@rglivestockshow.com	Educating Youth, Promoting Agriculture Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show P. O. Box 867 Mercedes, TX 78570-0867 tel: 956.565.2456 fax: 956.565.3005
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Internal Revenue Service

December 12, 1972 A:FA:EO:OSS
AMS:EO:72-1850

Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, Inc.
Post Office Box 876
1000 North Texas Avenue
Mercedes, Texas 78570

Gentlemen:

In our letter of April 12, 1972, we held that you are not entitled to exemption from Federal income tax under the provisions of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and that our letter of August 10, 1950, holding you exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(5) of the Code continued in effect. Based on the information and evidence furnished during the District Conference, and with the understanding that your operations will continue as evidenced or will conform to those in your exemption application, Form 1023, dated March 7, 1972, we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under the provisions of section 501(c)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code.

We have further determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code, because you are an organization described in section 509(a)(2).

You are not liable for social security taxes unless you file a waiver of exemption certificate as provided in the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. You are not liable for the taxes imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act.

Since you are not a private foundation, you are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other Federal excise taxes.

If your gross receipts each year are normally more than \$5,000.00, you are required to file Form 990, Return of Organizations Exempt From Income Tax, by the 15th day of the 5th month after the end of your annual April 30 accounting period. The law imposes a penalty of \$10.00 a day, up to a maximum of \$5,000.00, for failure to file a return on time.

Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, Inc.

You are not required to file Federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes under sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

This is a determination letter modifying our August 10, 1950, letter to the extent indicated herein and rescinding our letter of April 12, 1972.

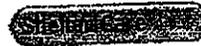
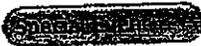
Sincerely yours,


R. L. Phinney
District Director



MY NEW PET

Cats & Dog for Adoption



THE MISSION OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY

The Mission of the Humane Society of Harlingen is to make possible a better world for dogs and cats by providing shelter, educating the community about humane care, spay and neuter programs and humane treatment, advocating animal welfare, and promoting the human-animal bond.

THE VISION OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY

The Humane Society of Harlingen envisions a community where all animals receive appropriate care at all times, are treated with dignity and respect, and are protected from all forms of cruelty and neglect.

**Shelter Hours: Monday – Friday 12:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday only 12:00 - 8:00 p.m
Saturday and Sunday – 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Telephone number: 425-7297
Address 1106 Markowsky**

**Adoption Fees are \$ 85.00 for dogs and \$60.00 for cats.
Includes all first round of shots and the spay or neuter.**

**We also have cats available at Petsmart.
Every 2nd Saturday of every month we will be at Harlingen Petsmart.**



http://myharlingen.us/humane_society.htm

6/25/2008

TEXAS SALES TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE

Name of purchaser, firm or agency HUMANE SOCIETY OF HARLINGEN	
Address (Street & number, P.O. Box or Route number) P.O. BOX 1884 (1106 Markowsky Street)	Phone (Area code and number) (956) 425-7297
City, state, ZIP code HARLINGEN, TX 78551	

I, the purchaser named above, claim an exemption from payment of sales taxes for the purchase of taxable items described below or on the attached order or invoice from:

Seller: _____

Street address: _____ City, State, Zip code: _____

Description of items to be purchased, or on the attached order or invoice:

Purchaser claims this exemption for the following reason:

501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Organization.

I understand that I will be liable for payment of sales tax which may become due for failure to comply with the provisions of the state, city, metropolitan transit authority, city transit department and/or county sales and use tax laws and Comptroller rules regarding exempt purchases. Liability for the tax will be determined by the price paid for the taxable items purchased or the fair market rental value for the period of time used.

I understand that it is a misdemeanor to give an exemption certificate to the seller for taxable items which I know, at the time of purchase, will be used in a manner other than that expressed in this certificate and that upon conviction may be fined not more than \$500 per offense.

sign here 	Purchaser	Title	Date
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NOTE: This certificate cannot be issued for the purchase, lease or rental of a motor vehicle.

THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT REQUIRE A NUMBER TO BE VALID

Sales and Use Tax "Exemption Numbers" or "Tax Exempt" Numbers do not exist.

This certificate should be furnished to the supplier. Do not send the completed certificate to the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
DISTRICT DIRECTOR
1100 COMMERCE STREET
DALLAS, TX 75242-0000

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: APR 28 1994

Employer Identification Number:

Case Number:

HUMANE SOCIETY OF HARLINGEN
P O BOX 1884
HARLINGEN, TX 78551

Contact Person:
SHARI FLOWERS
Contact Telephone Number:
(214) 767-6023
Our Letter Dated:
April 5, 1989
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization that is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Your exempt status under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is still in effect. Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

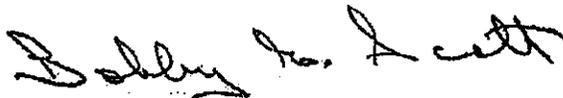
Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,



Bobby E. Scott
District Director

Letter 1050 (DO/CG)

IV. F. 119

Request to Amend
2009 & 2010
Greyhound
Race Dates Granted

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TEXAS RACING
COMMISSION



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July 16, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Deputy Director
Texas Racing Commission
P.O. Box 12080
Austin, TX 78711-2080

Dear Mr. Jackson:

On behalf of Valley Race Park, I respectfully request to amend our Race Date Calendar for the upcoming Greyhound Meeting scheduled to begin on Friday, November 27. Our request eliminates 15 race dates at Valley Race Park thereby eliminating the meet entirely.

As you are aware, Valley Race Park has been dependent on out-of-state kennels to operate our short meet for some time. This dependence has made it increasingly difficult to contract with a majority of Texas kennels as required under the Texas Racing Act. We recognize that while the cost of raising a greyhound has increased, purses have declined making it less attractive to race at Valley Race Park.

Our request is consistent with the Texas Greyhound Association's (TGA) proposal to improve the overall state of the greyhound industry in Texas by creating one, premier track that hosts the majority of the live racing opportunities in the state at viable purse levels. This plan should help to both preserve and grow the number of greyhounds and greyhound breeders in Texas to a level to support year round racing again at Valley Race Park.

This proposal has been vetted with both Valley Race Park and Racing Commission staff. It is our belief that the TGA's proposal is what is best for the Texas Greyhound industry at this time. If our request is honored, we plan to spend the next year working with local officials and community leaders to develop a Festival of Racing – an annual, one weekend, multi-purpose event highlighted by Greyhound racing beginning in 2011. We will also work with the TGA to reach an agreement on purses for our Festival of Racing and allocate our simulcast purses to supplement the live purses at Gulf Greyhound Park.

If you have any questions or should require any further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


Andrea B. Young
President

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September 4, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Texas Racing Commission
P. O. Box 12080
Austin, TX 78711-2080

Re: Gulf Coast Racing
2010 Live Race Request

Dear Mr. Jackson:

In view of the shortage of greyhounds in Texas we are requesting to transfer the previously approved 2010 schedule of 43 performances in July and August to Gulf Greyhound Park. These 43 performances will be run on Tuesdays.

In support of the Texas Greyhound Association's proposal in making an effort to improve the overall state of the Texas greyhound industry, we feel that running this 43 day meet at Gulf Greyhound Park will enhance the live racing industry in Texas. We believe that the Texas Greyhound Association's efforts in trying to create one premier track in this State are viable.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sally B. Briggs". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sally B. Briggs
Operations Manager

C: Greg LaMantia
Diane Whiteley, Texas Greyhound Association
Andrea Young, Valley Race Park

Allocation by the Texas
Greyhound Association of
Interstate Cross-Species
Purse Money



Memorandum

Date: September 4, 2009

To: Mark Fenner, General Counsel

From:  Sammy Jackson, Deputy Director

RE: Allocation by the Texas Greyhound Association (TGA) of Interstate Cross-Species Purse Money under Commission Rule 303.102(d)

Pursuant to Subsection (1) of Commission Rule 303.102(d), the TGA has submitted a proposed allocation of the purse money it collects in accordance with the Texas Racing Act, §6.091(d)(2) for consideration by the Racing Commission. If approved, this new allocation will start on September 27, 2009 and be effective through December 31, 2010.

Attached to this memorandum is the proposed allocation that is to be placed on the September 15, 2009, Commission Agenda for consideration. Staff has completed a review of the proposed allocation and recommends approval *if* the Commission approves the following two live racing schedule modifications:

1. Valley Race Park's request to modify its 2009 live racing schedule, and
2. Gulf Coast Racing's request to modify its 2010 live racing schedule.

If the Commission does not approve these two live racing schedule modifications, staff recommends the Commission table consideration of this request until the next Commission meeting.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Cc: Charla Ann King, Executive Director



Texas Greyhound Association
Representing the Greyhound Breeding and Racing Industry in Texas

September 4, 2009

Mr. Sammy Jackson
Texas Racing Commission
PO Box 12080
Austin, Tx 78711-2080

Dear Sammy:

The Texas Greyhound Association respectfully requests to be placed on the agenda for the September 15 Texas Racing Commission meeting for its consideration and approval of an amendment to the 2009 TGA Cross-species Allocation and 2010 allocation under TxRC Rule Section 303.102 (d)(2).

Effective September 27, 2009 the TGA requests that the interstate cross-species simulcast purses received under Sec 6.091(d)(2), after allowable TGA administrative expenses, be allocated only to Gulf Greyhound Park purses for the remainder of 2009.

For calendar year 2010, the TGA requests that the interstate cross-species simulcast purses received under Sec.6.091(d)(2), after allowable TGA administrative expenses, be allocated only to Gulf Greyhound Park purses.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Diane Whiteley
Executive Director

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