

Texas Honey Bee Education Association (THBEA)



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THBEA is a non-member organization and is a controlled entity of the Texas Beekeepers Association

THBEA is an IRS recognized 501(c)(3) organization; your contributions may be tax-deductible.

THBEA is organized to work in four education and research areas...

1. to enhance and expand the **awareness** of the contribution of honey bees to agriculture and society,
2. to create additional **appreciation and interest** in the profession of **beekeeping** through studies in technical and scientific subjects,
3. to strengthen beekeepers' skills through **education** programs,
4. to provide resources for continuing bee **research** particularly in areas that will:
 - a. advance bee culture (improve understanding or awareness of activities that impact honey bees),
 - b. improve pollination, and
 - c. conserve biodiversity, and
5. to engage in any lawful **business** or activities related thereto.

THBEA's 2018/19 projects

- **Granting Activity**
 - **\$7000 to beekeepers** in areas affected by the weather events of 2017 to purchase discounted nucleus hives
 - Awarded a **grant to TBA** to funding the existing Honey Queen program
- **“Strengthening Beekeeper Skills”**
 - Developed the ***Newbees’ Guide to Texas Beekeeping*** and distributed 5000 copies in three months. Additional 5000 copies are now available
 - Updated THBEA.com with additional beekeeper resources
 - Developing:
 - a grant funding program new beekeepers ages 13 to 21 years
 - tools to improve beekeeper education at the TBA-member association level
 - a tool to educate the public on “How You Can Help the Honey Bees”
- **Fundraising**
 - Applying for grants from private and corporate foundations
 - Bee-themed TxDMV specialty license plate will generate \$22 per plate per year

Visit THBEA.com for additional information and resources

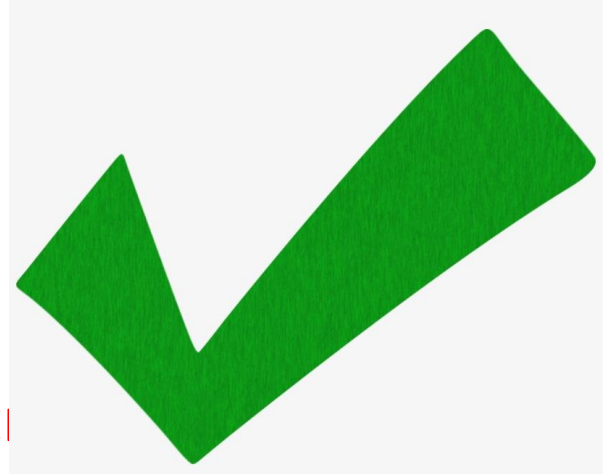
Specialty License Plate Design



License Plate Process Update

- **First**

- Design
- Application
- Deposit Money (\$8000)
- **Sponsor Letter – Texas Department of Transportation**



- **Second**

- TxDMV Design Approval (3-6 months)

- **Third**

- License plate sales - \$22/plate to THBEA through TDA
- Deposit money returned after 800 plates sold

THBEA's solicits contributions...

- From **individuals**, who may receive a tax deduction for their contribution,
- From **for-profit corporations** who desire to support the work of THBEA,
- From **non-profit organizations** whose purposes are similar to THBEA

- Our 2019 donation/income goal is \$42,000
- THBEA welcomes cash, checks, and marketable securities

Your dollars fund projects to help Texas bees and beekeepers!

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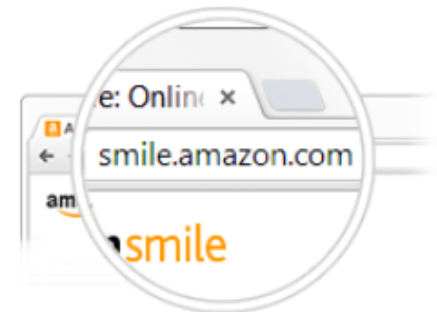
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