



December 12, 2014

RE: 2015 Texas Farm Credit's Marsha Martin Scholarship

To Whom It May Concern:

Texas Farm Credit would like to take this opportunity to invite your students to submit their application to our scholarship program. Texas Farm Credit established a scholarship program for seniors who are graduating and pursuing a college degree in an agriculture-related field of study. This may include, but is not limited to, agricultural business, animal science, and agricultural economics. We want to pass on the mission of Marsha Martin and help develop our future agriculture leaders. Our organization awards five, one-time scholarships in the amount of \$2,000.00. We have enclosed our scholarship application with instructions.

Texas Farm Credit (TFC) was established from the merger of AgriLand, Farm Credit Services and Texas AgFinance, Farm Credit Services. As a customer-owned cooperative, we operate in our borrowers' best interests and cater to their short and long term credit needs, with flexible financing solutions and an array of cash management products and services.

Texas Farm Credit finances agricultural production, rural land, agribusiness needs, and country homes. Our rural lending professionals can structure a loan to meet the customer's individual needs, from cattle and timber loans to rural real estate mortgages and complex agribusiness financing packages. TFC is funded by the Farm Credit Bank of Texas (FCBT), headquartered in Austin, Texas. FCBT provides wholesale funds and services to 16 rural lending cooperatives in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, and Texas. The Bank is owned by these lending organizations, which in turn offer agricultural credit, mortgage financing, and financially related services to farmers, ranchers, agribusiness operations, rural landowners, and rural homeowners. Together the Bank and Associations comprise the 10th Credit District, the largest single source of farm, ranch, and agribusiness financing solutions in the region.

We look forward to working with you and your students in continued support of our future leaders.

Sincerely,

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15th Annual Marsha Martin Scholarship Program Guidelines



Texas Farm Credit Services established an agricultural scholarship program in honor of Marsha Pyle Martin, a Paris, Texas native, who served as chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the

Farm Credit Administration (FCA), an independent federal agency responsible for regulation and examination of the Farm Credit System - a network of farmer-owned cooperative financial institutions, until her death from cancer in January 2000. Martin, appointed to a six-year term by President Clinton in

1994, was the first woman to serve as chairman in the 65-year history of the FCA. Martin was also the first woman senior executive in the Farm Credit System, serving as vice president of the Farm Credit Bank of Texas and the first woman to serve as director of the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation. A lifelong advocate for farmers, ranchers, and rural America, Martin spent more than 30 years working in agriculture and agricultural finance. Each year, Texas Farm Credit is pleased to continue her legacy by offering post-secondary scholarships in Martin's name to future agricultural leaders. Texas Farm Credit awards five, one-time scholarships in the amount of \$2,000.

TO QUALIFY FOR TEXAS FARM CREDIT'S MARSHA MARTIN SCHOLARSHIP, ALL APPLICANTS:

1. Must pursue an **agricultural related degree** (agricultural business, animal science, agricultural economics, etc.).
2. Reside inside of Texas Farm Credit's 100-County Territory (see map).
3. Be nominated by a school guidance counselor, teacher, or administrator.
4. Be a senior scheduled to graduate high school in 2015.
5. Be accepted to a junior college, community college, or four-year university.
6. Submit a completed scholarship application.
7. Submit an official high school transcript.
8. Submit a one-page essay on "How I plan to contribute to the mission Marsha Martin supported".

****Additional information may accompany the application, transcript and essay (bios, resumes, etc.)**

****Children of employees or directors of Texas Farm Credit are not eligible**

DEADLINE FOR COMPLETED APPLICATIONS IS 4PM ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2015

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

There are (4) convenient ways to submit your scholarship application:

<p><u>In Person:</u> Drop off your completed application package at your local Texas Farm Credit branch</p>	<p><u>Mail:</u> Attn: Wendy Swift Scholarship Committee Texas Farm Credit 3210 WNW Loop 323 Tyler, TX 75702</p>	<p><u>E-Mail:</u> Wendy Swift WSwift@TexasFCS.com</p>	<p><u>Fax:</u> Attn: Scholarship Committee (888) 650-8001</p>
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15th Annual Marsha Martin Scholarship Program Application

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

High School Attending: _____ GPA: _____ out of _____

SAT Score: _____ or ACT Score: _____

College/University: _____

Applied/Accepted: (circle one) Agricultural Degree Pursuing: _____

Nominated by: _____

Circle one: Counselor/Teacher/Administrator

Signature of Counselor/Teacher/Administrator: _____

List Major Accomplishments/ Awards Received: (If more room is needed, please attach additional pages.)

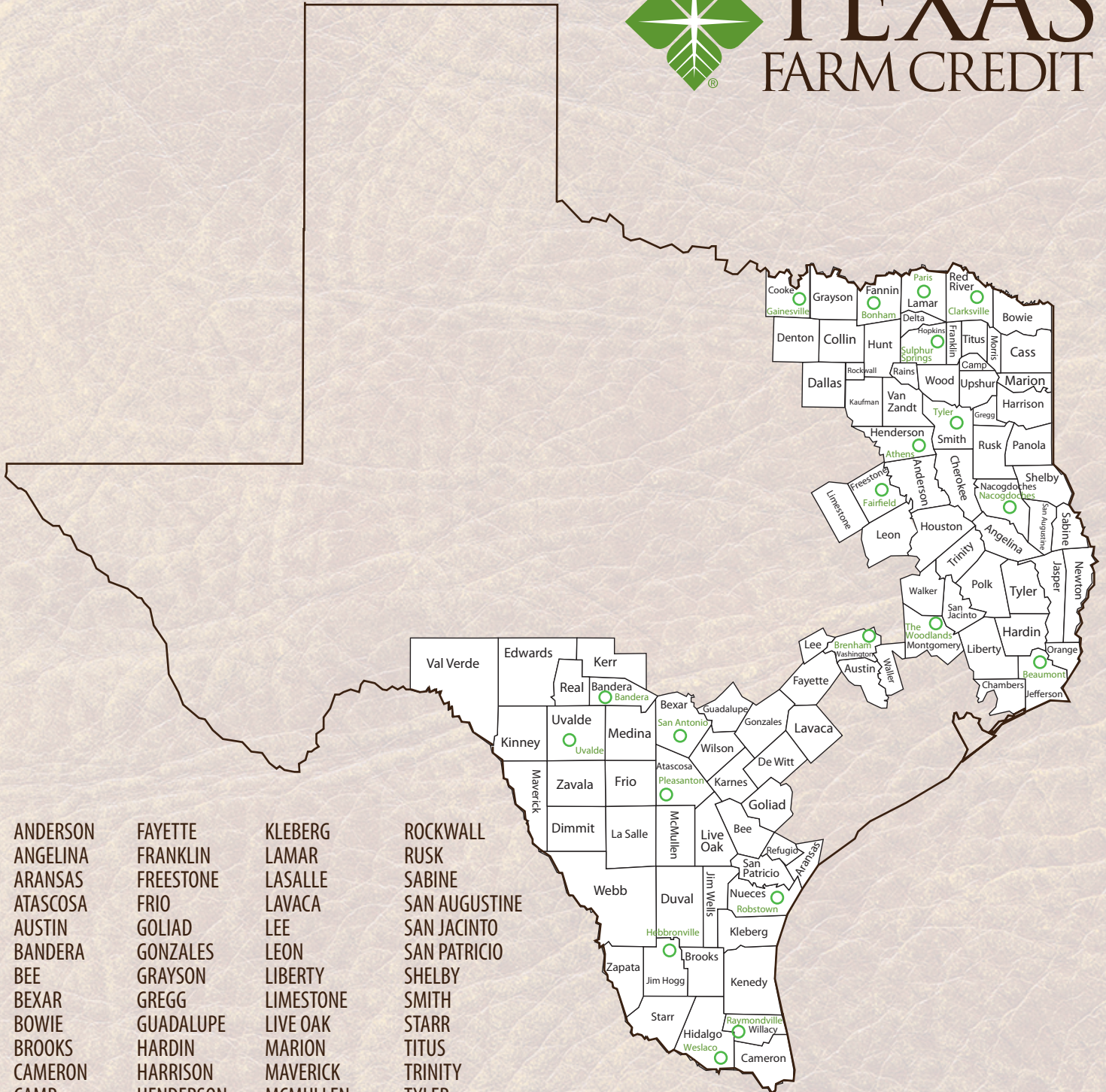
Deadline for completed applications is 4pm on Wednesday, April 1, 2015

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