Texas A&M University
College of Agriculture Development Council

Proactively supporting and promoting Texas A&M to be the world’s premier agriculture teaching, research, and extension institution

What is COADC?

**Excellence Through Common Goals**
The College of Agriculture Development Council (COADC) is a growing volunteer organization of over 120 men and women who are dedicated to enhancing cooperation and understanding between the University and the agricultural and life sciences community through improved communication. Members advise the Vice Chancellor and Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences on agricultural issues and help attract financial resources to enhance the educational programs of the College. Created in 1981, the Council is composed of agricultural and business leaders from Texas and neighboring states, and includes both former students and friends of the University. Regardless of background, each member is dedicated to improving educational opportunities for undergraduate students majoring in the agricultural and life sciences, while preparing them for roles as future agricultural leaders.

**Interaction Through Organization And Activities**
The Council is organized into five geographical regions--Panhandle/South Plains, Northeast Texas, Central Texas, Southeast Texas, and South Texas/Valley. The Council meets on a semi-annual basis, with the fall meeting held on campus and the spring meeting held at various locations throughout Texas. Social interaction and activities are an important component of meetings for the general membership.
EXCELLENCE THROUGH SUPPORT
Council members serve as advisors and ambassadors to, and for, Texas A&M AgriLife and the University. They eagerly communicate that Texas A&M University stands for distinction in teaching, research and public service. The Council annually provides funds to student organizations within the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences for specific service projects and student judging teams. They also provide financial support for the Agricultural and Natural Resource Policy Congressional Intern Program. The COADC has contributed more than $1 million toward matching scholarships which have an endowment market value of over $3.1 million!

OUR MISSION
The mission of the Texas A&M College of Agriculture Development Council is to proactively support and promote Texas A&M to be the world’s premier agriculture teaching, research, and extension institution. To achieve this mission, the COADC is committed to providing support that allows for employing outstanding and dedicated professionals, providing abundant funding, strong leadership, responding to industry needs, and attracting the best students globally while providing them with a first rate education.

Semi-Annual Meetings
The COADC meets twice each year. The location of the spring meeting is voted on by Council members. The fall meeting is in College Station and often coincides with an Aggie football game. Council meetings cover both business and leisure activities. The business meeting updates members on the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and Texas A&M University. The COADC’s plan of work is reviewed during these meetings.

Social activities are an important component of meetings for the general membership. In addition to the business meeting, a spouse’s outing is planned that includes a day of events and activities.

MATCHING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
The College of Agriculture Development Council provides a matching funds program in the amounts of $12,500 and $25,000 for undergraduate endowments. These funds are available on a first come, first served basis and a limit of total funds to be matched is budgeted by the Council each year. Matching funds are restricted to undergraduate scholarships or support of undergraduate programs. You must be a member for five years or pay advance dues for five years to qualify for a match.

In the event a COADC member is interested in utilizing matching funds from the COADC, this potential donor should contact the Agriculture Development officers or the COADC Coordinator. A waiting list is maintained by the Development Office.

To utilize the Council’s funds, the Council member must be current on their membership dues and will be required to place the name “COADC” in front of the scholarship’s name. The member must also be the primary signature for the scholarship’s gift agreement. The Council member’s portion for their endowment must come from the Council member. Once indication is made for member to utilize funds, the COADC Executive Committee must approve the match.
Join Today!

MEMBERSHIP INTEREST FORM

Contact Information

NAME: ______________________________________________________________________________

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Membership Status

_____ Yes, I would like to support programs in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University by joining the COADC!

1. □ Individual ($1,000) □ Corporate ($2,000)  
   Allows for 2 representatives

2. □ A check for dues is enclosed. □ I will pay monthly through the Texas A&M Foundation at give.am/COADC

*** Please make check payable to: Texas A&M Foundation - COADC  ***

_____ I’d like to think about it–please keep me on the mailing list.

_____ No. I do not wish to join–please remove me from the mailing list.

Please return this form to:
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