

The Future of San Antonio Bay



***Could a:
Stakeholder-based,
Collaborative,
Non-Regulatory
Management Program
Make a Difference?***

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Purpose and Goals:

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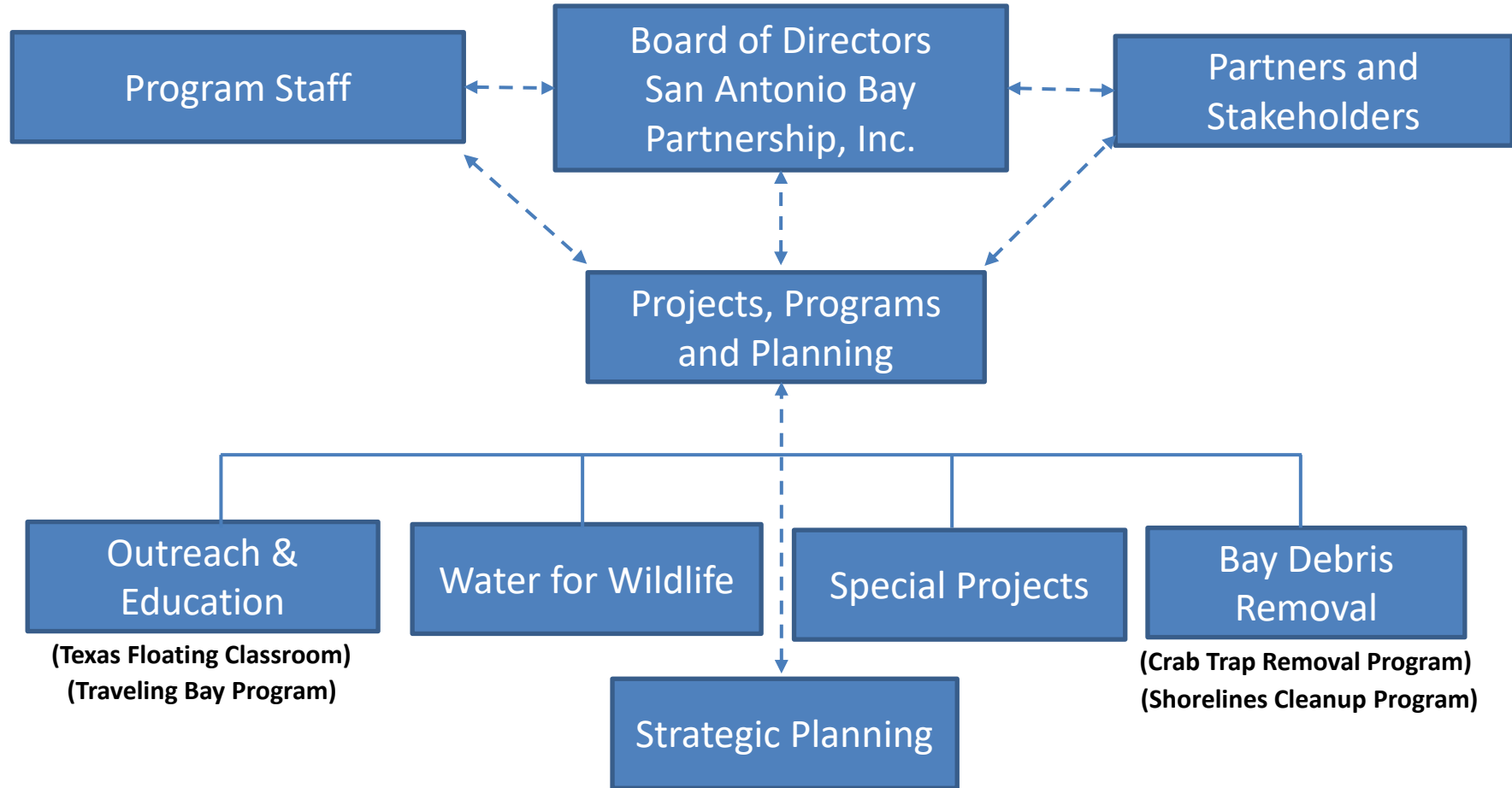
The purpose of the San Antonio Bay Partnership is to create and sustain a working partnership of committed stakeholders in order to *protect, restore and enhance* the natural resources of the San Antonio Bay/Guadalupe Estuary System for the benefit of the ecosystem and its human uses.

The *Future* of San Antonio Bay: *Would you like to be a part?*



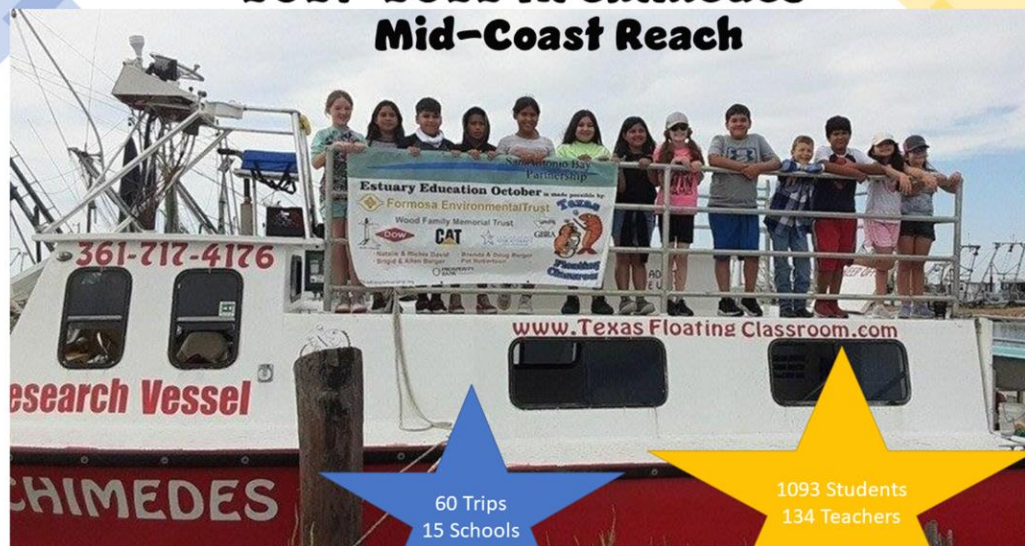
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Outreach & Education

2021-2022 Archimedes Mid-Coast Reach

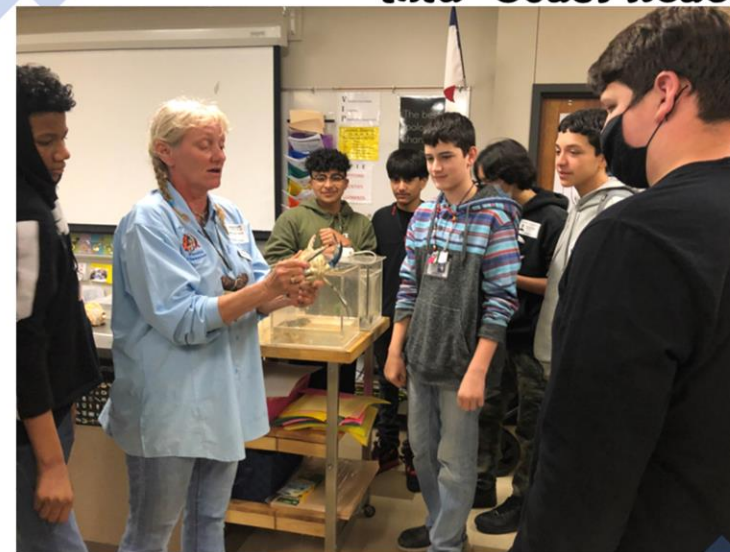


60 Trips
15 Schools

1093 Students
134 Teachers

60 Trips – 15 Schools – 1,093 Students – 134 Teachers!

2021-2022 Traveling Bay Mid-Coast Reach



6318 Students
396 Teachers

288 Trips
40 Schools

288 Trips – 40 Schools – 6,318 Students – 396 Teachers!!!

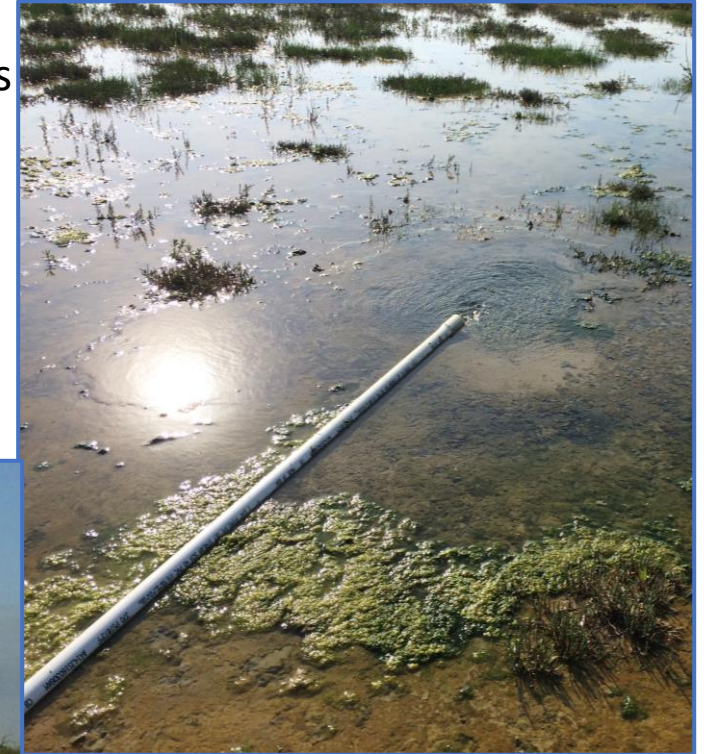
Water for Wildlife



- Managing our water resources is one of the most critical issues facing Texas today.
- The state's population is growing rapidly, and the threat of drought is increasing, putting pressure on limited water supplies.
- The availability of fresh water supplies to meet the basic physiological and habitat needs of wildlife is a growing issue in wildlife and natural resource conservation.
- The San Antonio Bay Partnership is collaborating with other conservation partners on a "Water for Wildlife" initiative, which currently includes the following components:
(1) installation of water wells to provide water for wildlife during times of drought,
(2) completion of a water well suitability analysis to determine the ideal locations for water well installations, and
(3) examination of strategies to secure environmental flows for wildlife.

Water for Wildlife

Since 2012, SABP has been working with the International Crane Foundation, the Coastal Bend Bays and Estuaries Program and many other organizations to provide Whooping Cranes with access to fresh “drinking water” for their use during drought conditions. This program has installed solar powered water wells near Whooping Crane territories across their wintering grounds in the Texas mid-coast area.



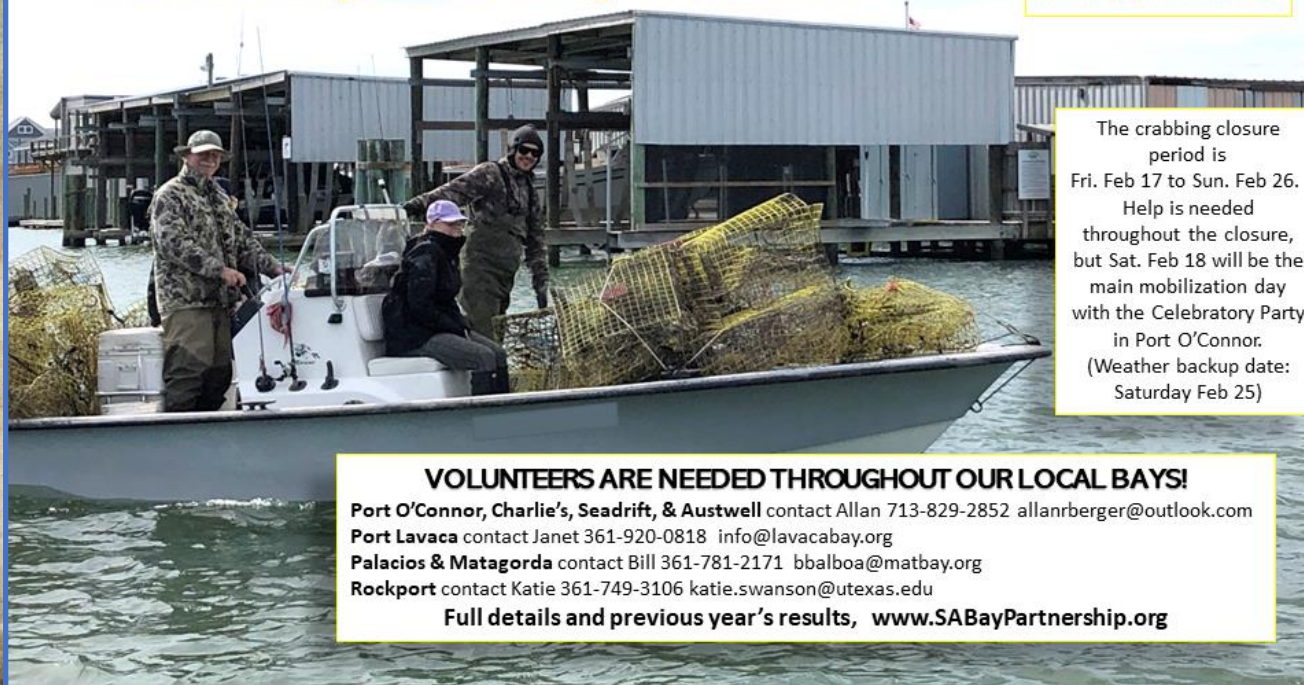
Bay Debris Removal



Save the Date!

Abandoned Crab Trap Removal

Saturday, February 18, 2023



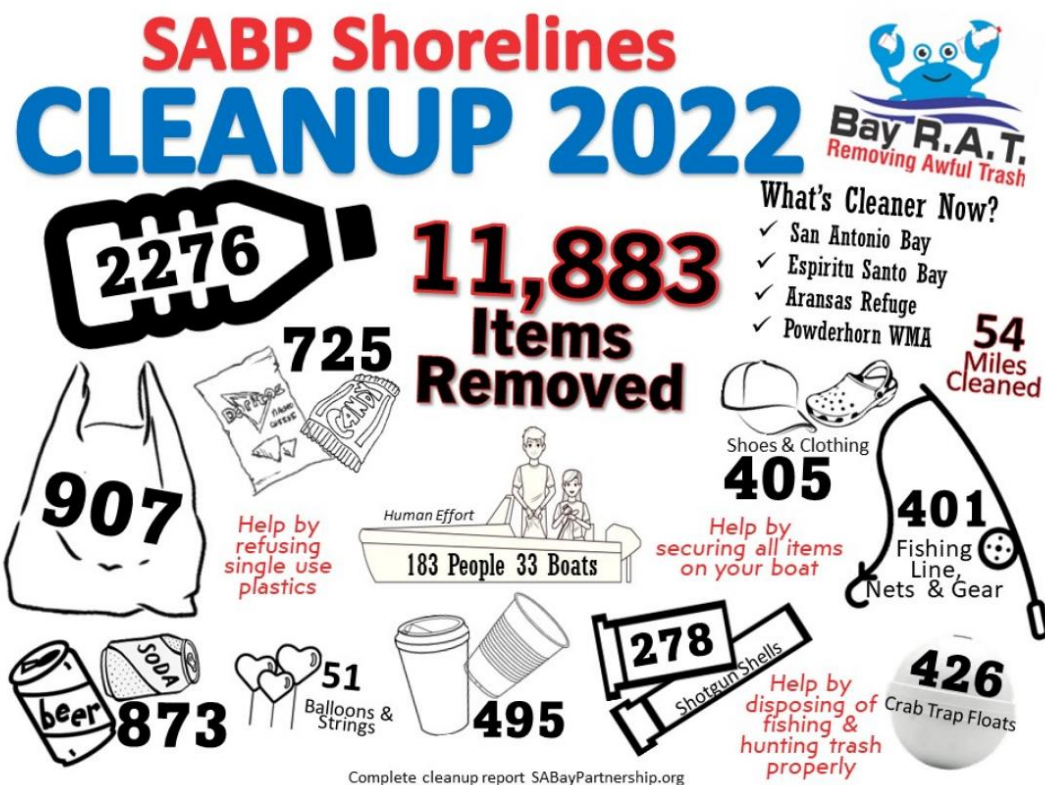
The crabbing closure period is Fri. Feb 17 to Sun. Feb 26. Help is needed throughout the closure, but Sat. Feb 18 will be the main mobilization day with the Celebratory Party in Port O'Connor. (Weather backup date: Saturday Feb 25)

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED THROUGHOUT OUR LOCAL BAYS!

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Full details and previous year's results, www.SABayPartnership.org

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Special Projects





Special Thanks

The San Antonio River Authority supported the creation and programs of the San Antonio Bay Partnership **from the very beginning!**

SARA's generous financial and programmatic support has been key to SABP's successes in many program areas.

SABP very much appreciates the opportunity to have a seat on, and participate in, SARA's Environmental Advisory Committee.

We hope you enjoy your time on the Mid-Texas Coast!