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Christmas on the Beach Drive-Thru Lights Display

Donations divided amongst 13 nonprofit organizations

(Rockport, TX) The Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce and the Aransas County Navigation District along with local non-profit organizations and businesses joined forces to bring a "lighted" holiday experience to the circle area of the Rockport Beach during the holiday season for residents and visitors to enjoy.

More than 3,000 cars totally more than 10,000 people shared their love for the experience through contributing \$9,767.20. Those funds were split among the nonprofit organizations who made displays from Santa's Workshop, Candy Cane Lane to a manger scene, a Tribute to Our First Responders and more. Those 13 nonprofit organizations participating and receiving the donation were on-hand Tuesday, Feb. 23 for a check presentation.

The 13 nonprofit organizations were: United Way of Aransas County along with the Rockport Youth Organization, Rockport Little Theatre along with the Rockport Yacht Club, Humane Society of Aransas County donated by the Kellar Williams display, Children's Coalition of Aransas County, 100 Club of Aransas County, 4-H Club of Aransas County, Leadership Aransas County Alumni Association, Aransas County Women's Lions Club, Keep Aransas County Beautiful, A.R.C.H. Jeeps, local churches, Sacred Heart School and Rockport Cultural Arts District.

"We've had great involvement this first year and hope the display will grow and others will want to get involved in years to come," said Sandy Jumper, Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce Vice President of Marketing and Promotion. The A.R.C.H. Jeeps organization has agreed to step up and help organize the displays for next year. More details will follow in April on how others can be involved.

For more information, contact the Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center at 319 Broadway at Rockport Harbor, visit www.rockport-fulton.org or call 361-729-6445.

Check Presentation Ceremony

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Welcome, Timeline & Special Thanks Yous - Diane Probst

Special Remarks - Keith Barrett, ACND Harbor Master

Introduction of A.R.C.H. Jeeps - Next Meeting Date

Special Recognition - Karen Mella, RF Chamber Foundation

Distribution of Checks

1. United Way of Aransas County along with Rockport Youth Organization

2. Rockport Little Theatre along with Rockport Yacht Club

3. Humane Society of Aransas County by the Kellar Williams

4. Children's Coalition of Aransas County

5. 100 Club of Aransas County

6. 4-H Club of Aransas County

7. Leadership Aransas County Alumni

8. Aransas County Women's Lions Club

9. Keep Aransas County Beautiful

10. ARCH Jeeps

11. Churches

12. Sacred Heart School

13. Rockport Cultural Arts District

Staging of Photo