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(a) **Standard.**

The Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD) recognizes the value of volunteers and provides certain benefits as recognition of their contribution.

(b) **Procedures.**

- (1) The **community relations coordinator**, in consultation with facility managers, ensures the following are provided to TJJD volunteers:
 - (A) free meals while on duty at residential facilities (see [PRS.19.17](#));
 - (B) opportunities to participate in staff training sessions and conferences, as appropriate and as space permits;
 - (C) information regarding tax benefits, gas mileage, out-of-pocket expenses, and tax-deductible donations;
 - (D) information regarding annual recognition events or activities at the local facility;
 - (E) awards, recognition items, letters of appreciation, and ongoing recognition; and
 - (F) recommendation for President's Volunteer Service Award, once eligible.
 - (2) For awards and recognition items, TJJD may expend funds appropriated by the Appropriations Act to purchase certificates, plaques, pins, and other awards to recognize the special achievements and outstanding service of a volunteer.
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