



United Way Day at the Texas Capitol

Participant Materials

**February 15, 2010
8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Austin, Texas**

Agenda

8:00am - 9:00am **Breakfast and Packet Pick-Up**
United Ways of Texas Office, The Westgate Building
1122 Colorado (1st Floor), Austin, TX 78701

Advocates should meet at the United Ways of Texas office on first floor of the Westgate Building for packet pick-up and registration. Advocates will receive a brief overview of the day's events and light breakfast will be provided.*

**Should you or other advocates like a more extensive legislative briefing and/or training prior to the day's events, please contact Jason Sabo at Jason.Sabo@uwtexas.org.*

9:00am – 9:35 am **United Way Day at the Texas Capitol Kickoff and Press Conference**
Texas Capitol, South Steps

Advocates will gather at the Texas Capitol South Steps to show support for United Way Day at the Texas Capitol and hear from Texas legislators speak about the importance of advocacy for education, income and health this legislative session.

10:00am – 10:30am **United Way Day Resolution Passage**
Texas Capitol, House and Senate Chambers (Texas Capitol, 3rd Floor)

Advocates will gather in the House and Senate Chamber Galleries to be recognized for the announcement of the United Way Day at the Texas Capitol resolutions.

10:30am – 4:00pm **Legislative Visits (On Your Own)**
Texas Capitol Legislative Offices

Advocates will meet and discuss key education, income and health legislation with Texas legislators in their delegation's Texas Capitol offices.

Advocates are invited to take a break in the United Ways of Texas office (1122 Colorado, Suite 102) during the Legislative Visits portion of the afternoon (wireless internet available).

PLEASE NOTE: Advocates are responsible for scheduling their own legislative visits with their legislators. [Click here to find your legislator and schedule a visit.](#)

4:00pm – 6:00 pm **United Way Day at the Texas Capitol Networking Reception***
The University of Texas System Bauer House
1909 Hill Oaks Court, Austin, TX 78703

**Co-hosted by the Women's Leadership Council at United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County and United Ways of Texas*

Join fellow United Way staff, volunteers and other advocates for a Networking Reception to conclude the day's events. This is your opportunity to meet and learn from your counterparts from around the state in a more relaxed environment. We hope to see you there!

Questions about United Way Day at the Texas Capitol? Contact Stephanie Guidry at stephanie.guidry@uwtexas.org or (512) 372-9209.

2011 Legislative Agenda United Ways of Texas

2-1-1 and Nonprofit Viability

- Protect funding for the Texas 2-1-1 Information and Referral Network
- Define the parameters of community-based organization participation in public benefits eligibility determination

Health

- Increase training for medical personnel on the needs of seniors
- Increase access to dental health care for low-income children
- Reduce the cost and impact of the diabetes epidemic

Education

- Protect funding for proven dropout prevention services
- Improve the quality of child care and pre-kindergarten
- Provide clear information on higher education graduation rates and student loan indebtedness
- Support and promote mentoring, particularly among seniors

Income

- Increase the utilization of state-supported college savings plans
- Increase transparency of payday lending fees and products
- Support services for veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan

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2011 Legislative Talking Points

Legislative Priorities

Thank you for attending United Way Day at the Texas Capitol. Below are some key talking points to consider when speaking to your legislator.

EDUCATION

- **Include pre-k in class size debates.**
 - **Message:** “Texas is the only state to offer pre-kindergarten with no class size limit. Let’s include pre-k in any changes to class size limits. Most pre-k classes are already small and will help lower the campus or district average class size figure”
 - **The Ask:** Amend and support amendments to class size bills to include pre-k.
- **Improve training for child care workers.**
 - **Message:** “Learning begins at birth but child care workers only need 8 hours of training before starting work. Let’s increase the pre-service and annual training requirements for child care workers.”
 - **The Ask:** Support Senate Bill 260 (West) and other measures increasing training.

INCOME

- **Increase student and parent awareness of college costs and graduation rates.**
 - **Message:** “College is becoming more and more expensive. Families and students need good information about available financial aid and savings opportunities.”
 - **The Ask:** Support House Bill 34 (Branch) and other measures designed to encourage college savings and increase awareness of the actual costs of higher education.
- **Increase transparency among payday lenders.**
 - **Message:** “Too many Texans have fallen into the downward spiral of payday loan debt. Let’s make sure that any Texan who accesses a payday loan understands the terms of that loan.”
 - **The Ask:** Support all measures designed to increase consumer awareness of the implications of payday loans and efforts to increase the accountability of lenders.

HEALTH

- **Increase access to dental sealants among low-income children.**
 - **Message:** “Dental sealants are a proven method of reducing costs and protecting oral health. Increasing partnerships between local governments, foundations, nonprofits and schools will increase access to preventive dental sealants.”
 - **The Ask:** Support all measures designed to increase school-based sealant access, including elimination of the mandatory parental accompaniment statute.

2-1-1

- **Protect funding for 2-1-1 Texas Information and Referral Network**
 - **Message:** Continue to support and recognize the critical value of 2 1 1 Texas, the public/private partnership that efficiently and effectively responds to peoples' need for non-emergency health and human services assistance via the non-profit community like local United Ways; faith-based organizations; national, state and local agencies; and many other places of assistance, most especially in these times of downward economic distress for many.

2011 United Way Day at the Texas Capitol Legislative Visit Tips

Inform your legislators.

- Say who you are and who you represent.
- Tell them which issues you support.
- Explain why these issues are important to you and your community.
- Ask how you or your group can be of assistance to them.

Ask your legislators.

- Request their support of your issues.
- Be prepared to answer questions or provide additional information.

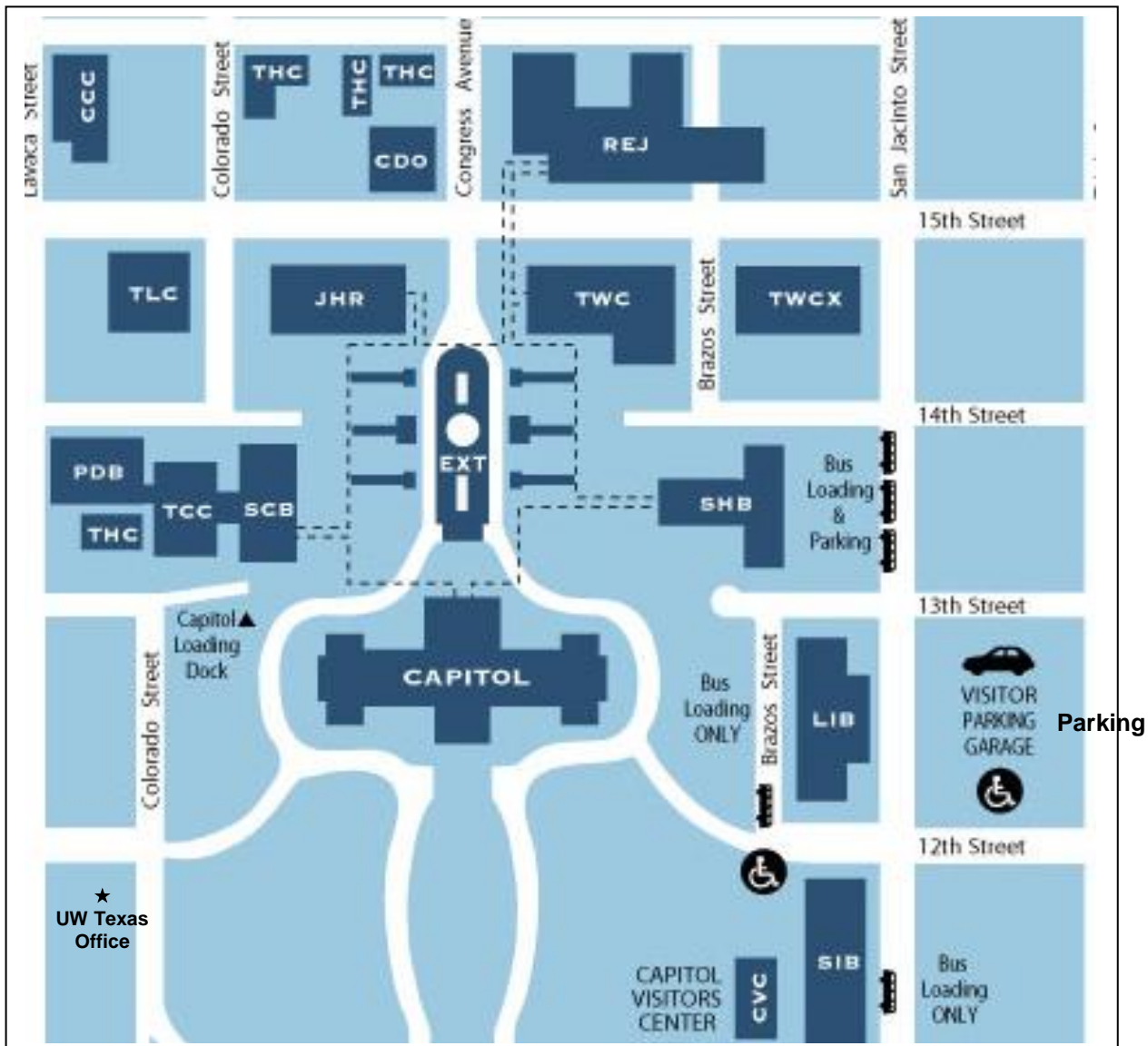
Thank your legislators.

- Thank them for their valuable time.
- Send a thank you note when you return home!

2011 United Way Day at the Texas Capitol Parking

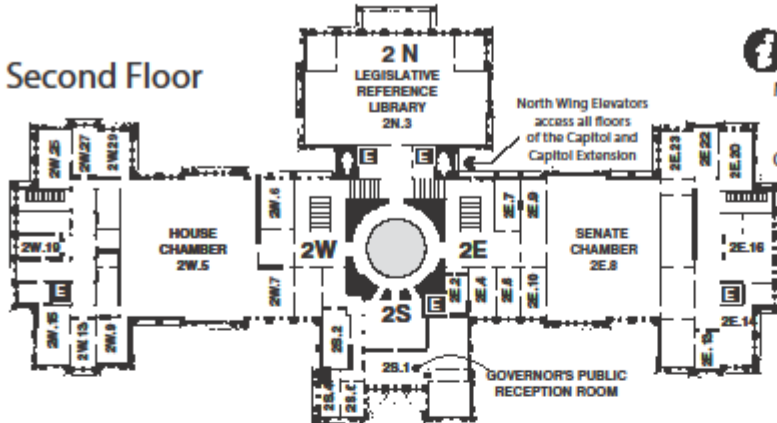
For your convenience, we suggest that you park in the **State of Texas Visitor Parking** lot located at **1201 San Jacinto** located between Trinity and San Jacinto Streets at 12th and 13th streets. Parking is free for the first two hours and \$1.00 for each half hour thereafter (maximum daily charge: \$8.00); accessible parking is available with accessible routes to the Capitol.

The United Ways of Texas office at The Westgate building does not have visitor parking available.



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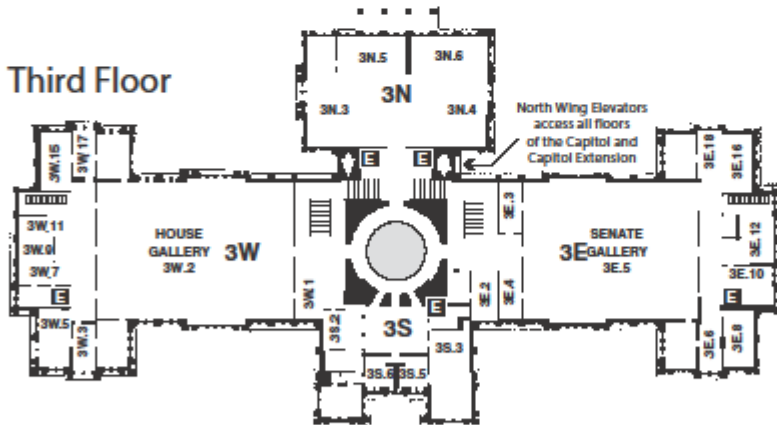


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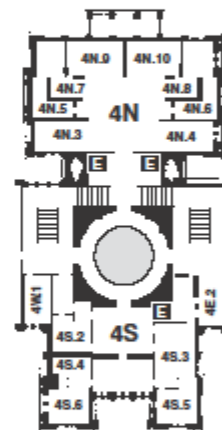
Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
 Saturday, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm
 Sunday, Noon - 3:30 pm
 Call 463-0063 for more information

Capitol Extension Access: Take the North Wing elevators to Floor E1 or E2 of the underground Capitol Extension. Please visit the Capitol Giftshop on Floor E1 for Texas and Capitol mementos and books, as well as mints, medicines, and other sundries. Also located on level E1 are a public cafeteria, an Automatic Teller Machine (ATM) and vending machines.

Third Floor



Fourth Floor



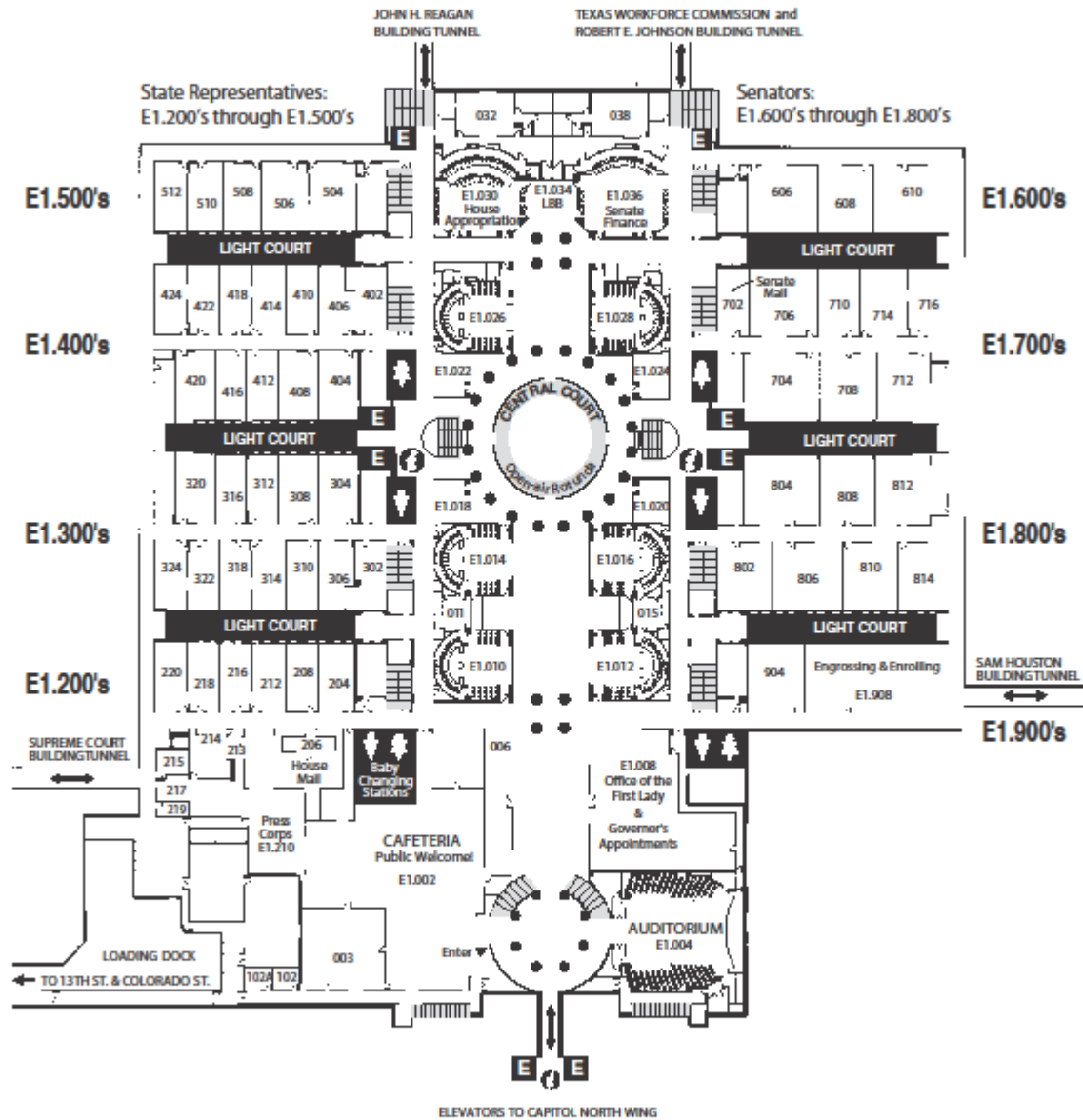
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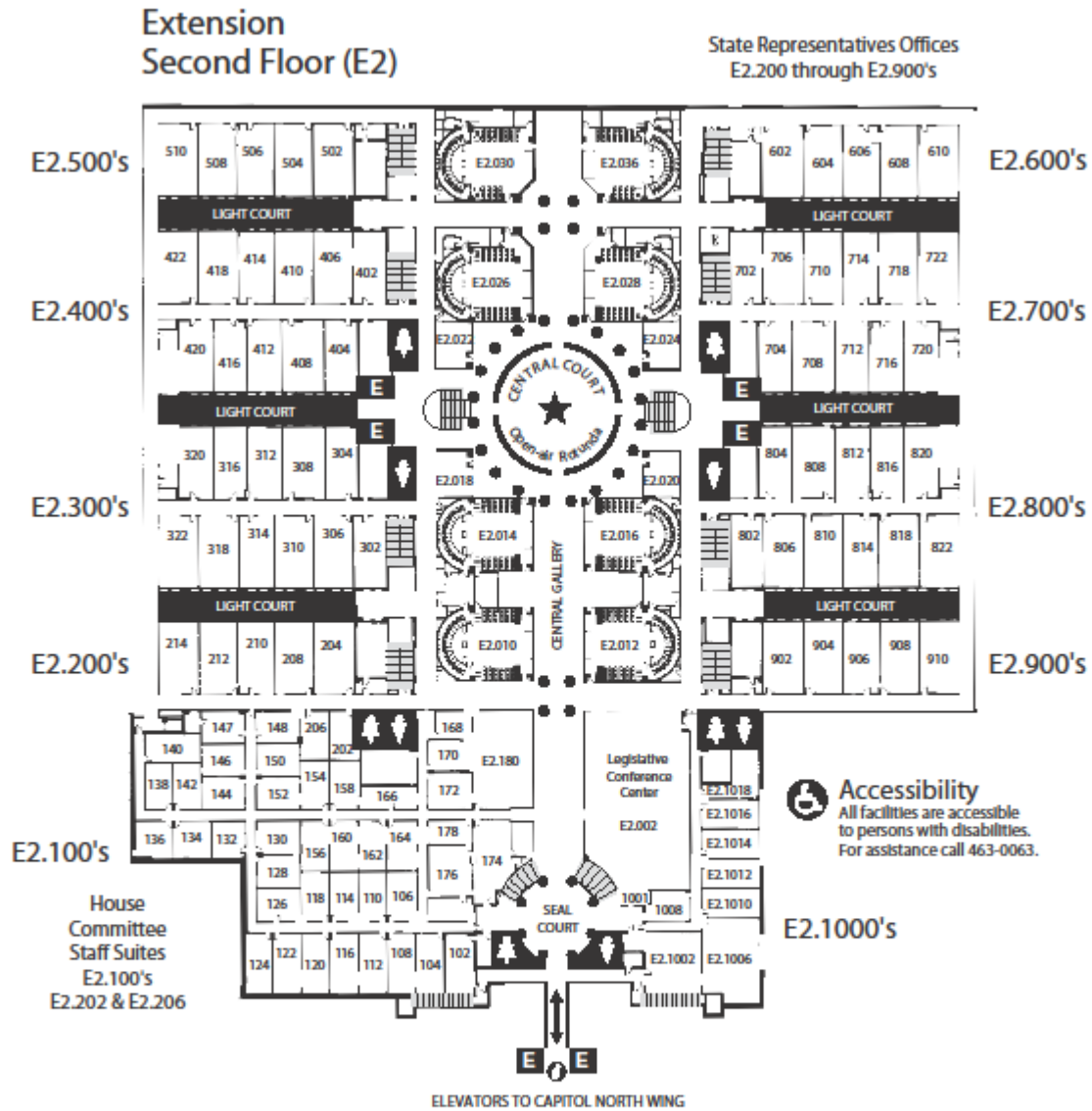
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Floor E1

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Floor E2**

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2011 United Way Day at the Texas Capitol Lunch Options

While visiting your legislators, you may want to take a lunch break. We have provided some nearby suggestions for lunch. Lunch is on your own during your visit.

Capitol Grill

Capitol Extension, Room E1.002,
Austin, TX 78701

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Price Range: \$\$

Texas Chili Parlor

1409 Lavaca Street
Austin, TX 78701
512.472.2828

Price Range: \$\$

Annie's Cafe & Bar

319 Congress Ave
Austin, TX 78701
(512) 472-1884

Price Range: \$\$

Chinatown

107 W Fifth St
Austin, TX 78701
(512) 637-8888

Price Range: \$\$

Chipotle Mexican Grill

801 Congress
Austin, TX 78701
512.391.1668

Price Range: \$

Thai Passion

620 Congress Ave
Austin, TX 78701
(512) 472-1244

Price Range: \$\$

Roaring Fork

701 Congress Ave (Stephen F.
Austin Hotel)
Austin, TX 78701

(512) 583-0000

Price Range: \$\$\$

Thundercloud Subs

1608 Lavaca Street
Austin, TX 78701
512.478.3281

Price Range \$

Subway

809 Congress
Austin, TX 78701
512.480.9102

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Please Join Us

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