

TMN-EFC Partial Need-Based Reimbursements for TMN Annual Meeting Registration Costs

Registration for October's [TMN annual state meeting](#) in San Marcos opens the first week of August, and, on behalf of our Elm Fork Chapter Board of Directors, I'm happy to report that a [limited number of scholarships \(partial annual meeting registration reimbursements\)](#) (\$250 each) are available to Certified Members and Members-in-Training who may benefit from financial assistance in order to attend.

Funded by generous North Texas Giving Day contributions and designated donations, the stipends help encourage attendance (ie—education and engagement opportunities!) at the TMN Annual Meeting by offsetting the conference's registration cost.

Full Annual Meeting information is available on the [2024 Annual Meeting page on the Texas Master Naturalist website](#) **where event registration must be completed**; both early-bird (slightly less expensive) and standard registrations offer several choices including full-event, two-day, or one-day options. Applying for the [Elm Fork Chapter stipend to offset registration costs is a separate process via online JotForm](#); details are available on the [online application](#). Please note that other conference expenses (lodging, meals, travel, etc.) are the sole responsibility of the attendee.

Annual Meeting registration will open the first week of August, although the exact date and time has not been publicized; subscribers to the [TMN ListServ](#) email database will be notified first when registration opens. (If you're not currently a ListServ subscriber, this is a great opportunity to [sign up!](#))

TMN reports that 63% of conference registrations occur on the first day that registration opens, and, accordingly, field sessions and classes fill up quickly! The Annual Meeting [agenda](#) is already posted (in three different formats); I encourage you to review it and mark your favorites, so you'll be ready when registration opens!

Registration reimbursement requests will be reviewed as received by the TMN-EFC Executive Officers and Training Director; applicant status will be communicated as soon as possible. Application considerations include but are not limited to application completeness, financial need, first-time attendees, and desire to learn and share knowledge gained. [Reimbursement applications](#) may be submitted prior to the annual meeting registration, but, as no job is finished until the proverbial paperwork is done, reimbursement funds will not be disbursed until applications are approved and the proper reimbursement request paperwork is completed (with a receipt).

- [TMN Annual Meeting Information and \(Eventual\) Registration](#)
- [TMN-EFC Registration Reimbursement Application](#)

Thank you for your interest in attending the TMN Annual Meeting!