



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

June 13, 2014

**CONTACT: Kelly Eby, Urban Forester**  
110 Golf Course Rd.  
New Braunfels, TX 78130  
830.221.4359  
[keby@nbtexas.org](mailto:keby@nbtexas.org)

**Volunteers Making a Difference in City Parks**

**New Braunfels, Texas** – Over 70 Texas State University Upward Bound Summer Residential Program participants volunteered their time in Landa Park on June 13<sup>th</sup>.

“We are privileged to have these outstanding individuals contributing their time and energy to our community,” said Kelly Eby, City of New Braunfels Urban Forester. “This is the second year our department has hosted the Upward Bound group.”

“Our students enjoy giving back and were excited to venture out to Landa Park today,” said Megan Holmes, Upward Bounds Advisor. “Most of our students are not exposed to hands-on outdoor service and this gives them an opportunity to learn new skills, have fun and increase their environmental awareness.”

The group of students participated in a variety of service projects throughout Landa Park including, weeding, landscaping, spreading mulch, micro picking, miniature golf course clean up and clearing out inlets along Landa Park Drive.

The Texas State Upward Bound Program provides low income and first generation high school students with academic, cultural and personal support for the purposes of high school graduation, postsecondary enrollment, and lifelong success. For more information on Texas State University’s Upward Bound Program visit [www.sdi.txstate.edu/upwardbound](http://www.sdi.txstate.edu/upwardbound).

For additional information on upcoming volunteer workdays and other Parks and Recreation Department offerings, visit [www.nbtexas.org/volunteer](http://www.nbtexas.org/volunteer).

###

Optional photo caption: Upward Bound participants clearing out inlets along Landa Park Drive.