

A&M raises target for the United Way

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Texas A&M University's goal for the United Way campaign, which begins Monday, was increased Tuesday from \$70,000 to \$100,000 by University President Frank E. Vandiver.

At the University's kick-off breakfast for United Way, an organization that supports 17 local agencies such as Boy's and Girl's Clubs, Vandiver said that he was displeased with the current University goal.

"I would think that \$70,000 is unacceptable for Texas A&M, and if we didn't start with a goal of \$100,000 I don't think we'd be making a major effort in this community," he said.

System Chancellor Dr. Arthur Hansen was pleased with the goal increase, and told college directors and department

coordinators for the campaign that the academic community needs to be sensitive about giving to charities like United Way.

"We can talk about things we believe in, but there's only one final test: the test of action," Hansen said.

He said that Texas A&M has received many gifts from people who care about the University, and with that same attitude the University needs to give.

"We are the recipients ourselves, and if we look around, all over the campus we see the results of people who've made a statement about what they believe," Hansen said.

"Their acts of charity are all around us. It would be rather ironical if we were to be the recipients of the good things that other people have given to us and in turn not do likewise."

Churchill Jones, Brazos County United Way drive chairman and chairman of the board of Republic Bank A&M, said the United Way provides an opportunity to be No. 1 in the Southwest Conference. Last year Texas A&M came in eighth in the Southwest Conference for the amount given per employee to United Way. Texas A&M's per employee donation was \$6.97, while Texas Christian University had the highest with donations per employee of \$43.87.

Jones said that in the 1970 to 1980 census Brazos County was ranked No. 1 in growth in the state of Texas and No. 6 in the country. At the same time the area ranks at the bottom when compared to other communities of its size in giving to United Way, Jones said.



System Chancellor Arthur Hansen (seated), University President Frank E. Vandiver (left) and Dr. Malon Southerland, assistant vice president.

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"Getting things settled before the dishes pile up and the phone bill is due should make life easier for everyone," says Kurt Prochaska-Cue, of the University of Nebraska.

The contracts should include how to figure out expenses for food, household supplies, rent, utilities, laundry and transportation.

It's also important to agree writing how the household will be dissolved, Ms. Prochaska-Cue says.

"What will be the procedure? Who gets what part of copier, used furniture, curtains, rent and utility deposits?"

Glenn Sedgwick, an Iowa District associate court judge who has presided over many roommate disputes, says sloppy planning is behind many fights.

"I've had cases where they argue, 'You paid the phone bill, but remember, I bought groceries on the 17th, that means we're even.'"



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