

# Operation Game Thief

Operation Game Thief is Texas' Wildlife Crimestoppers Program, offering rewards of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction for a wildlife crime. Begun in 1981 as a result of laws passed by the 67th Legislature to help curtail poaching, the program, a function of the Law Enforcement Division of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, is highly successful, having been responsible for the payment of over \$195,000 in rewards.



Privately funded, the program is dependent on financial support from the public through the purchase of OGT merchandise and memberships, donations, sponsorships and gifts.

The reward hotline is manned 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Over the life of the program, more than 30,000 calls have been received and over \$1,262,000 in fines assessed.

## To report a violation call 1-800-792-GAME

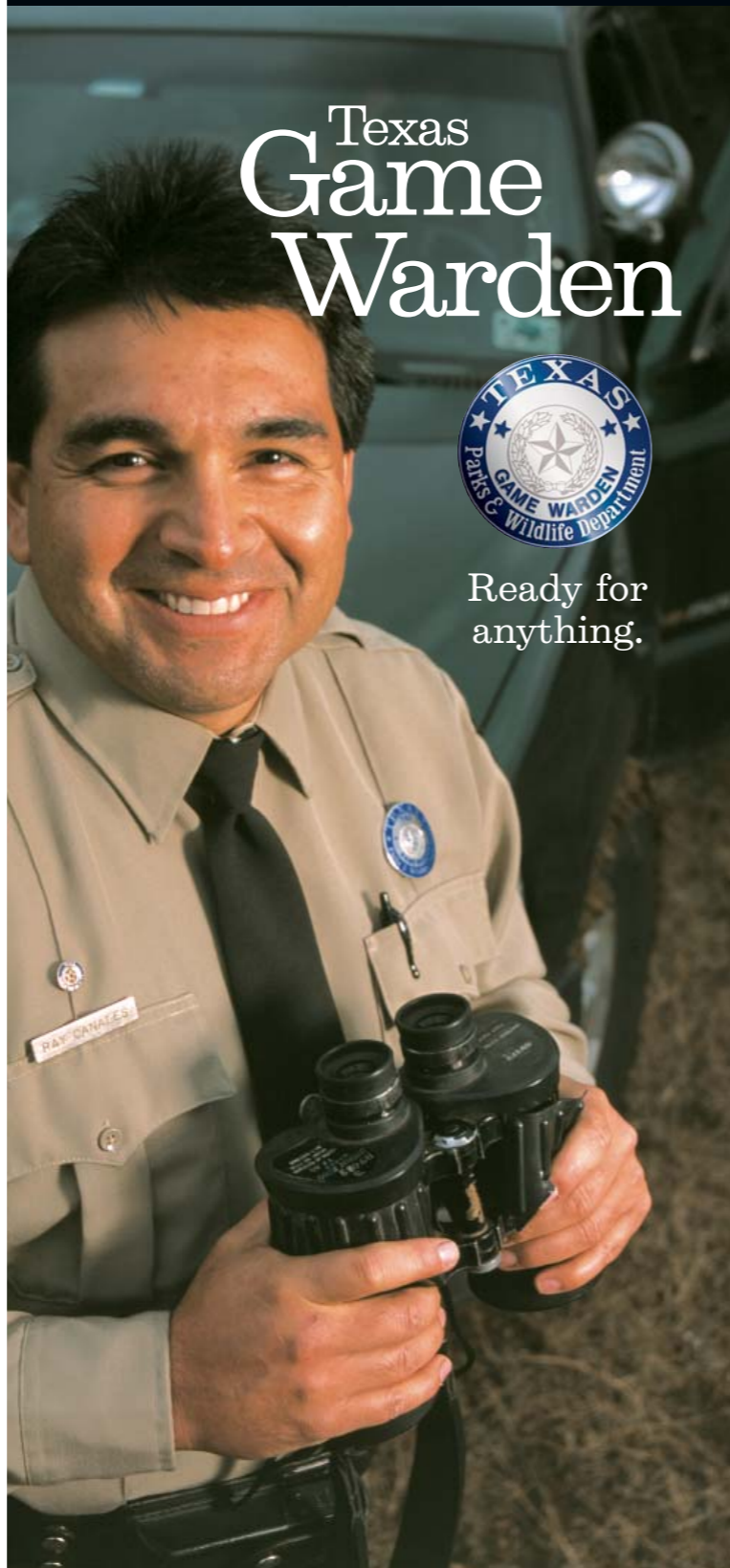
For more information on the Operation Game Thief program, call (512) 389-8801.



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# Texas Game Warden



Ready for anything.



## Game Warden.

The title evokes an iconic image of a Texas peace officer ready for anything. On rutted dirt tracks in the South Texas brush country; on storm-tossed coastal waters; in deer camps deep in the Pineywoods; in every county across the state, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department game wardens stand ready to protect our natural resources 24 hours a day, seven days a week. But the select group of men and women who have earned the title "Game Warden" do much more than enforce state hunting and fishing regulations.

Game wardens assist other state and local law enforcement agencies

in the apprehension of dangerous criminals, in stemming the flow of illegal drugs into our state, and in

protecting life and property during natural disasters such as hurricanes and wildland fires.



They serve on the front lines of the homeland security mission, helping to secure our borders, ports and vital infrastructure.

Game wardens enforce boating safety laws, protect our waters from polluters, and often take the lead in search-and-rescue operations on the state's lakes and bays.



If you think you have what it takes to be a Texas game warden, call our recruiter at (877) 229-2733.

## Game wardens stand tall in their communities, too.



Before “community policing” was fashionable, game wardens were doing it: volunteering at county fairs, speaking to civic organizations and organizing youth events.

Around town, on the water and along the state's highways and byways, game wardens are the public face of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department — a face that, increasingly, looks and sounds like the citizens they serve. They teach. They inspire. They promote a culture of conservation that benefits all Texans.

Game Warden. It's a tough title to earn. It's a title synonymous with words like Duty. Passion. Dedication. Courage. Integrity. Service.



## Texas Game Warden Association

For more than a generation, the Texas Game Warden Association has introduced young Texans to the beauty and value of our land and wildlife. TGWA's members have devoted millions of hours, as well as funding, to serve more than 150,000 boys and girls.

Natural role models, game wardens are uniquely qualified professionals teaching outdoor skills to youth hungry for one-on-one relationships and for hands-on relationships with the outdoors. Our members are made up of game wardens, concerned citizens, landowners, and businesses that share our commitment to preserving the heritage and wildlife of Texas.

We encourage and invite you to become a part of this special organization. Your support is critical to the association's ultimate goal of “Conservation for Future Generations.”

For more information about the TGWA, visit [www.texasgamewarden.com](http://www.texasgamewarden.com), call toll free (800) 322-8492 or write to: 4367 FM 1047, Hamilton, TX 76531-3490

