# Jeremy King Everett

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### BIO

Jeremy Everett is the founding Director of the Texas Hunger Initiative (THI) which is a capacity building project within Baylor University and a partner of the United States Department of Agriculture, Texas state agencies, and a number of other national and state based anti-hunger and poverty organizations that seeks to develop and implement strategies to alleviate hunger through research, policy analysis, education, and community organizing. THI organizes coalitions across the state to ensure access to healthy food for all Texans. Presently THI has coalitions representing 63% of the population of Texas with 12 regional offices and approximately 100 staff resourcing Texas communities which have resulted in millions of additional meals being served to Texas children since its beginning in 2009.

Prior to THI, Jeremy worked for international and community development organizations as a teacher, religious leader, community organizer, and organic farmer. Jeremy earned a bachelor's degree from Samford University, and a Master of Divinity from Baylor University. Jeremy is a Next Generation Fellow of the University of Texas LBJ School's Strauss Center for International Security and Law and was recently appointed by U.S. Congress to serve on the National Commission on Hunger.

### EDUCATION

<i>Master of Divinity</i> Truett Seminary, Baylor University Waco, TX	2001
Bachelor of Arts Samford University Birmingham, AL	1998
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	
<b>Director, Texas Hunger Initiative</b> Baylor University School of Social Work, Waco, TX	2009-Present
<b>Director, Community Ministries and Development</b> BCFS, San Antonio, TX	2004-2009
<b>Organic Farming Intern</b> World Hunger Relief, Inc., Elm Mott, TX	2003-2004
<b>Parent Involvement Coordinator</b> Gear Up Waco, Waco, TX	2003-2004

<b>Teacher</b> McLennan County Challenge Academy, Waco, TX	2002-2003
<b>Director, Community Organizing</b> Mission Waco, Waco, TX	1999-2002
<b>Pastor</b> Travis Baptist Church, Travis, TX	1998-2001
SELECT FUNDED PROJECTS	
Community Partner Recruitment Initiative, <i>Principal Investigator</i> Funded by: Health and Human Services	2012-Present
Summer and Afterschool Meal Expansion, <i>Principal Investigator</i> Funded by: Walmart Foundation	2013-Present
No Kid Hungry Campaign Texas, Principal Investigator Funded by: Share Our Strength	2011-Present
Texas Hunger Initiative, Principal Investigator Funded by: Christian Life Commission	2009-2011
Guadalupe Street Coffee Social Enterprise Project, <i>Principal Investigator</i> Funded by: Christ Is Our Salvation Foundation	2005–2009
Community Development Assessment, <i>Principal Investigator</i> Funded by: Baptist General Convention of Texas	2004 - 2005
PUBLICATIONS	

Everett, J. "School Meals Get a Makeover." Huffington Post. September 19, 2012

Everett, J. "Injustice Anywhere is a Threat to Justice Everywhere." Huffington Post. August 29, 2012

Everett, J. "Perceptions of Poverty." Huffington Post. July 18, 2012

Everett, J. "Hunger Doesn't Take a Summer Vacation." Huffington Post. May 31, 2012

Everett, J. "Developing a System of Accountability." Huffington Post. May 17, 2012

## SELECT PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Everett, J., Wilkerson, R., and Beaty, M. Spend Yourselves on Behalf of the Hungry: The Story of the Texas Hunger Initiativels Collaborations to Reduce Domestic Hunger and Poverty. Fall Conference on Poverty,

Center for Ethics and Culture, Notre Dame University, October 2014

Center for Public Policy and Priorities, Hobby Policy Summit. Austin, TX. October 2014

Chapel Address at Baptist University of the Americas, San Antonio, TX. October 2014

North Texas Food Insecurity Summit, Children at Risk, Dallas, TX. August 2012

Public and Private Infrastructural Development for Food Security National Hunger Free Communities Summit, Washington D.C., March 2011

A Food Secure Texas. Texas at the Table Hunger Summit, Baylor University, November 2009

The Future of Childhood Food Security Children at Risk Summit, Communities Foundation of Texas, July 2010

Social Enterprise: A Profit Driven Mission. Profit Management Institute, University of Texas at San Antonio, May 2008

### SELECT AWARD

2007 San Antonio Redevelopment Project of the Year Award

2012 Next Generation Texas Fellow, University of Texas Strauss Center for International Security and Law