



Old Foster Community Museum

7720 FM 359, Richmond, Texas 77406

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On behalf of the Old Foster Community Museum members and board, I am formally requesting a donation from the County of one old tractor presently located at the Jones Creek Ranch Park near the back of the property. The tractor is no longer wanted and, in fact, will be moved and trashed.

The Museum, which is a historical museum located at 7720 FM 359 in the northern part of Fort Bend County, is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and serves to preserve the history of the County for future generations.

It was organized in 2003 to preserve the memory and the few remaining structures from the 19th Century settlement called the Foster Community. This small town was located between the towns of Fulshear and Richmond in the northern part of Fort Bend County about 30 miles west of Houston. In 1904 it was described as thriving community. However, as happened with many small settlements, the railroad passed it by and the town dwindled to nearly nothing by the middle of the 20th Century.

Currently on the property we have the fully restored 115-year old Jones Creek School that was moved to the property from Foster Farms around 1920. In October, 2012, the Museum moved to the property, a rare 2-story tenant house which is nearing completion. Also on the property is old historical 30-foot Aermotor windmill as well as the old cement cattle water trough which was built in 1954 and which was donated to us by the county and moved to the museum property in 2012. We also have two pieces of old farm equipment and this tractor would be a wonderful addition.

Thus, we are asking the County to donate to us the old tractor which was built in 1964, which we will have moved to the property.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

Vickie Lynn Tonn, President

Our Tax ID is 17053183022023

Our Mission Statement:

"Saving our heritage and community history one step at a time."