

## **Press Release**

### **Office of the County Judge Fort Bend County, Texas**

County Judge Bob Hebert has recently been advised that his doctoral dissertation entitled [A Comparison of Values Applied to Goal Setting Within the Public and Private Sector Water Service Industries](#), has passed a milestone by being downloaded in its entirety over 14,000 times since being placed in the on-line resource section of the National Council for Public-Private Partnerships ([www.ncppp.org](http://www.ncppp.org)) in June, 2003.

Judge Hebert states "I was honored that the Council felt my work worthy of publication on their site, and then I was amazed when the 108 page document remained consistently in the Top 20 downloads as each month went by. At first I thought professors might be using it as an example of how not to write a dissertation, but those worries have been assuaged over time by the positive feedback I've received that indicates my research is well-received and being used by serious students and other researchers. Knowing that I've made a small, but significant contribution to over 14,000 individuals in a matter of mutual interest is a real return on the years I invested in pursuit of the degree."

A seven year effort was culminated when Judge Hebert received his PhD. in Management from California Coast University ([www.calcoast.edu](http://www.calcoast.edu)) in 2003. California Coast is a distance-learning university offering undergraduate and graduate degrees accredited by the Distance Education Training Council (DETC) a charter member of the Council for Higher Education (CHEA).