

Key Services

- Comprehensive Planning
- Historic Preservation
- New Elected Officials Guide
- Grant Writing & Administration
- City Homepage Templates
- [Economic Development](#)
- [Transportation Planning](#)
- [GIS Mapping Services](#)

Upcoming Events

TEDC: Building Fiscally Strong Communities (Webinar)

Apr. 22, 2020

Registration: Group \$295/Individual \$79

Online

<https://texasedc.org/events/webinar-building-fiscally-strong-communities-understanding-communicating-closing-your-citys-resource-gap>

Water for Texas 20/20 Conference

Sept. 20-30 2020

AT&T Executive Education and Conference Center

Austin, Texas

<https://waterfortexas.twdb.texas.gov/2020/>

Grant Opportunities

TxCDBG

Grant application deadlines for 4 funding programs will be delayed - a new deadline will be announced via listserv and TDA's website when additional information is available. These funding programs are:

- Downtown Revitalization / Main Street Programs; Fire, Ambulance, and Service Truck (FAST) Fund.
- Planning & Capacity Building (PCB) Fund; and Colonia Fund Construction, Secondary Round
- Grant applications for the final round of Texas Capital Fund.
- Real Estate & Infrastructure (RE/Infra) Program will continue to be due to TDA no later than May 1, 2020.
[https://www.texasagriculture.gov/GrantsServices/RuralEconomicDevelopment/RuralCommunityDevelopmentBlockGrant\(CDBG\)/CDBGAnnouncements.aspx](https://www.texasagriculture.gov/GrantsServices/RuralEconomicDevelopment/RuralCommunityDevelopmentBlockGrant(CDBG)/CDBGAnnouncements.aspx)

Did You Know?

Governor Greg Abbott has issued three new [Executive Orders](#) to begin the process of reopening the state of Texas while revising hospital capacity and certain social distancing guidelines. Within the orders, select activities and services that pose minimal to no threat of spreading COVID-19 are allowed to reopen. In addition, the Governor has established the [Strike Force to Open Texas](#)—a team of nationally recognized medical experts and private and public leaders who will advise the Governor on safely and strategically reopening the state .

<https://gov.texas.gov/business/page/coronavirus>

Available Resources

Texas Department of Agriculture has received important approval on waivers designed to loosen federal meal program mandates so Texas schools can continue to provide meals during the COVID-19 emergency. One of the most important waivers will now allow parents to pick up meals for their children without the children being present.

<https://www.texasagriculture.gov/NewsEvents/NewsEventsDetails/tabid/76/Article/5970/TDA-RECEIVES-IMPORTANT-USDA-FLEXIBILITY-ON-SCHOOL-MEALS.aspx>

Texas Commission on the Arts (TCA) has put together a resource page around COVID-19 and CARES Act relief options for artists, arts organizations, and arts businesses.

<https://www.arts.texas.gov/resources/covid-19-arts-resources/>

Central Texas Highlights



Waco-Temple-Killeen area were awarded a number of federal grants totaling \$20,477,799 as economic relief following the economic distress caused by the outbreak of the novel coronavirus.

<https://www.kxxv.com/news/coronavirus/waco-temple-killeen-airports-to-receive-20m-in-coronavirus-relief-funds>