

**Economic Development Regional
Highlights and Events Newsletter**

7/6/2021

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

**USDA Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural
Communities and Households**

Applications are ongoing

[Click Here!](#) To apply.

USAC Emergency Broadband Benefit Webinar

July 8, 2021 3:00pm-4:00pm CDT

Registration Fee: Free

[Click Here!](#) To apply.

**Global Cities Team Challenge Smart Agriculture
and Rural Broadband and Regional SuperCluster
Hybrid Workshop**

July 21-23, 2021

Registration Fee: Free

[Click Here!](#) To register.

Texas Mainstreet Designation

Applications due July 30, 2021

[Click Here!](#) To apply.

2021 Texas Groundwater Summit

Hyatt Regency Hill Country

San Antonio, Tx

Aug. 31-Sept. 2, 2021

Registration Fee: \$375

[Click Here!](#) To register.

Central Texas Highlights

Lampasas County Spring Ho Festival 2021

A week of activities, parades, exhibits, pageants, talent contests, fireworks, arts& crafts, and more will be held Jul. 5-11, 2021. Please [Click Here!](#) To learn where each days events will be held.

Did You Know?

Open Meetings Acts Training

Members of a governmental body subject to the Open Meetings Act (OMA) are required to participate in education training sessions pursuant to section 551.005 of the Texas Government Code. The training requirement applies to all elected or appointed officials who participate in meetings subject to the OMA. CTCOG will hosting a virtual certificate training, with Jennie Hoelscher from the Office of the Attorney General of Texas, on July 13, 2021 from 9:00am to 11:00am CDT. To register please email Helen Owens at helen.Owens@ctcog.org

5 Year CEDS Update

The MRB Group and DDCT will be hosting a regional CEDS committee workshop to update the regions 5 year CEDS plan; on August 10, 2021 from 10:00am-12:00pm CDT. To register for this event please email Anna Barge at Anna.Barge@ctcog.org.

**TDHCA Opens Second Round of Emergency Mortgage
Assistance Program**

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) is pleased to announce a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) of \$3 million in Community Development Block Grant CARES Act (CDBG-CV) funds for cities, counties, local and regional nonprofits, and regional organizations to provide mortgage assistance in areas not already covered through the Texas Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (TEMAP). All application materials including the NOFA, the application, and program guidelines can be found [Here!](#)