

**Economic Development Regional
Highlights and Events Newsletter**
9/29/2021

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.

**TEDC Leveraging Federal COVID-19 Relief Funds
for Lasting Impact (Webinar)**

Sept. 29, 2021 10:30am-11:45am
Registration Fee: \$79 for nonmember/
\$295 for group rate
[Click Here!](#) To register.

**Connected Nation Texas
Broadband Workshops (Webinar)**

Sept. 30, 2021 1:00pm CDT
Registration Fee: Free
[Click Here!](#) To register.

TML Annual Conference News

Oct. 6-8, 2021
George R. Brown Convention Center
10001 Avenida De Las Americas
Houston, Tx 77010
Registration Fee: see website for prices
[Click Here!](#) To register.

**Central Texas College Pathways
Experience (Virtual)**

Oct. 7, 2021 9:00am-4:00pm CDT
Registration Fee: Free
[Click Here!](#) To register.

Central Texas Highlights

Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month

Killeen and Temple, along with their local League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), began celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month September 15, which will run until October 15. Killeen Mayor Jose Segarra hosted a ceremony to show the city's appreciation of the Hispanic community and local Hispanic organizations. Temple has named September 16 as Judy Morales day, after the President of the LULAC chapter in Temple and the city's mayor pro tem, to honor her for everything she has done for the city. [Click Here!](#) To read the City of Killeen's article and [Click Here!](#) To read the City of Temple's article.

Did You Know?

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), grants for Buses & Bus Facilities program is offering up to \$40 million to replace, rehabilitate, purchase or lease buses or related equipment, and rehabilitate, purchase, construct or lease bus-related facilities. Applications to the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities program are due by November 19, 2021. [Click Here!](#) To learn more.

APA National Community Planning Month

Planners work to improve the well-being of all people living in our communities by taking a comprehensive perspective. This approach leads to safer, resilient, more equitable, and more prosperous communities. We celebrate the role that planning plays in creating great communities each October with National Community Planning Month. [Click Here!](#) To read more.

Central Texas Council of Governments

On September 23, 2021, at the Executive Committee Meeting, a proclamation declaring October 2021 as Economic & Community Development Month in the Central Texas region was passed. [Click Here!](#) To read the proclamation.