

**Economic Development Regional
Highlights and Events Newsletter**
10/13/2021

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.

**NTIA Grant Program:
Connecting Minority Communities
7a&7b Webinar**

Oct. 20-21, 2021 2:30pm
Registration Fee: Free
[Click Here!](#) To register.

**Rural and Small Town Downtown Revitalization
Summit (Virtual)**

Oct. 26, 2021
Registration Fee: Free
[Click Here!](#) To register.

Basic Economic Development Course

Oct. 26-29, 2021
Embassy Suites
600 Commerce St.
Fort Worth, Tx
Registration Fee: \$700
[Click Here!](#) To register.

Central Texas Highlights

Hiring Red, White & You, is a statewide hiring event that connects veterans, transitioning military members, and military spouses to employers across Texas. Save the date! November 4th, 2021 marks the 10th annual, statewide hiring event. It will be held at:
Central Texas College
Anderson Hall
6200 W Central Tx Expy
Killeen, TX 76549
For more information please [Click Here!](#)

Did You Know?

Child Care Funding to Assist Service Industry Workers

The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) is providing extra help to the service industry, which was hit hard by the pandemic, by providing 12 months of free child care to low-income parents who are employed in the service industry. TWC has an existing child care subsidy program designed to assist low-wage workers in paying for the cost of child care. The new Service Industry Recovery (SIR) program will use federal COVID-relief funds to provide an extra focus on workers in the service industry. [Click Here!](#)
To find your local board.

The Universal Service Fund, for schools and libraries, rural health care, lifeline, high cost helps communities and people across the U.S. stay connected to the information, resources, and care they need. [Click Here!](#) To learn more.

An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU), is a smaller, independent residential dwelling unit located on the same lot as a stand-alone (i.e., detached) single-family home. Internal, attached, and detached ADUs all have the potential to increase housing affordability (both for homeowners and tenants), create a wider range of housing options within the community, enable seniors to stay near family as they age, and facilitate better use of the existing housing fabric in established neighborhoods. [Click Here!](#) To learn more.