

**Economic Development Regional  
Highlights and Events Newsletter**

11/30/2022

**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**

**Small Town Summit Session 9: Economic Development**

Dec.7, 2:00-3:30 PM

Registration Fee: Free

To register, click [here](#)

**Governor's Small Business Series-College Station**

Dec.8, 8:00 AM-1:30 PM

Registration Fee: \$20

To Register, click [here](#)

**US Treasury Briefing: How Cities Can Use SLFR Funds for  
Housing Production & Preservation**

Dec.8, 2:00-3:00 PM

Registration Fee: Free

To register, click [here](#)

**Strategic Economic and Community Development  
(SECD) Funding Opportunity**

Dec.13, 1:00 PM

Registration Fee: Free

To Register, click [here](#)

**Comprehensive Strategic Planning for Regional 911  
Programs**

Dec.14, 10:00 AM

Registration Fee: Free

To Register, click [here](#)

**Anchor Economy: Understanding the Role of Higher  
Education and Hospitals in Regional Economies**

Dec.14, 2:00-3:00 PM

Registration Fee: Free

To Register, click [here](#)

**Central Texas Highlights**

**Cameron Christmas Parade and Festival**

The Cameron Chamber of Commerce will be hosting its annual Christmas Parade and Festival **Dec.1, 5:00-8:00 PM** in downtown Cameron. This parade and festival will include street vendors, live music, fireworks, a lighting ceremony, and more! The theme for 2022 is "Musical Notes and Holiday Floats."

Downtown Cameron,

Cameron, TX 76520

For more information, [click here!](#)

**Santa and Mrs. Claus Christmas Party**

Santa and Mrs. Claus are holding a party at **Dec.2, 6:00-8:00 PM** in Morgan's Point Resort! Enjoy cookies and hot chocolate served by elves, Christmas crafts, photos with Santa, and hayrides down Morgan's Boulevard.

Mic and Garrett Hill Event Center,

60 Morgan's Point Blvd.

Morgan's Point Resort, TX 76513

For more information, [click here!](#)

**Did You Know?**

**USDA Telecommunications Infrastructure Loans and  
Loan Guarantees Program Grants**

This Program provides financial assistance for service providers that will construct, improve, or expand telecommunication and broadband networks in rural areas with 5,000 or less people. Direct loans from USDA Rural Utilities Service, loan guarantees through the Federal Financing Bank (FFB) are available for State and local governments, public bodies and non-profits. Loan funds may be used to finance telecommunications services in rural areas for:

- New construction
- Improvements
- Expansions
- Acquisitions

Applications are accepted year round. For more information and to apply, [Click Here!](#) Applications due Mar.31, 2023.