

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANTS, RESOURCES, AND WEBINARS NEWSLETTER

CENTRAL TEXAS HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH 20, 2024

Leadership Central Texas 2024

Leadership Central Texas is offered by the DDCT to any qualified citizen who lives or works within the seven county-region (Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills, and San Saba) served by the Central Texas Council of Governments. The purpose of Leadership Central Texas is to identify and develop regional leaders and to promote awareness of regional/state leadership opportunities across a variety of fields-from emergency planning and infrastructure to economic development and entrepreneurship. Topics are taught with active participation from leaders across these fields, and participants will be provided leadership style tests and self assessments to assist with development into regional leaders. Each certified attendee will be encouraged to identify leadership opportunities where their individual talents would best be applied to ensure the growth and future well-being of Central Texas.

Program dates are June 20th, July 18th, and August 15th. Graduation will be September 19th, 2024.

Deadline for the 2024 program application is **March 29th, 2024**. For Application submission or questions, please contact Dominic Elizondo at dominic.elizondo@ctcog.org or 254-770-2379. For more information and to apply, go [here!](#)

Rural Internship Program 2024

CTCOG and the DDCT are accepting applications for the DDCT Rural Internship Program for 2024. The Rural Internship Program awards \$1,000 scholarships to economic development entities, including Chambers of Commerce and Departments of Tourism for the internship of high school Juniors or Seniors in their local area. Students will gain hands-on experience promoting economic development in rural communities, and in turn, the communities will benefit through a bolstering of their economic development efforts and the cultivation of future ambassadors for rural Central Texas. Three awards are expected to be made in 2024. Deadline to apply is **March 29th, 2024**. For more Information and to apply, click [here!](#)

OTHER RESOURCES

Texas Workforce Commission Jobs and Education for Texans (JET) Program

The JET program provides \$40,000-\$350,000 grants to buy and install equipment for career and technical education courses that lead to a license, certificate or post-secondary degree in a high-demand occupation. Eligible applicants are Texas public junior, state, and technical colleges, Texas ISDs, or an open-enrollment charter school which has entered into a partnership with a Texas public junior, state, or technical college. Match is 5%. Deadline to apply is **April 24**. For more information and to apply, click [here!](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

2024 Community / Pre-Application Webinar - Downtown Revitalization Program

March 25, 2024, 2:00-3:00 PM

Registration Fee: Free

To register, click [here!](#)

2024 Pre-Application Webinar - Downtown Revitalization Program

March 25, 2024, 2:00 PM

To attend, click [here!](#)

CDBG Over Coffee: Environmental - 24 CFR Section 58

March 26, 2024, time not set yet

To attend, click [here!](#)



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Improving Your Jurisdiction's Development Review Process

March 27, 2024, 12:00-1:00 PM

Registration Fee: ICMA Member Rate: \$149

Nonmember Rate: \$249

To register, click [here!](#)