

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK

APRIL 8, 2021

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ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNER



NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK

April 5-9 is National Community Development Week

- The purpose is to recognize the importance of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- These programs provide affordable housing, public services, infrastructure, and other valuable resources to our community.

Today we'll go over the Texas CDBG program, NCTCOG's Community Development programs, and other outside resources.



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

- Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) provides rural communities the tools needed to assist communities and their businesses in prospering.
- TDA administers the [Texas Community Development Block Grant Program](#) (TxCDBG) to assist small cities and rural communities by providing decent housing, suitable living environments, and expanded economic opportunities principally for persons of low- to moderate-income.
- TxCDBG funds community projects such as utility infrastructure, disaster response, and unique local economic development projects.

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (TXCDBG)

The primary objectives:

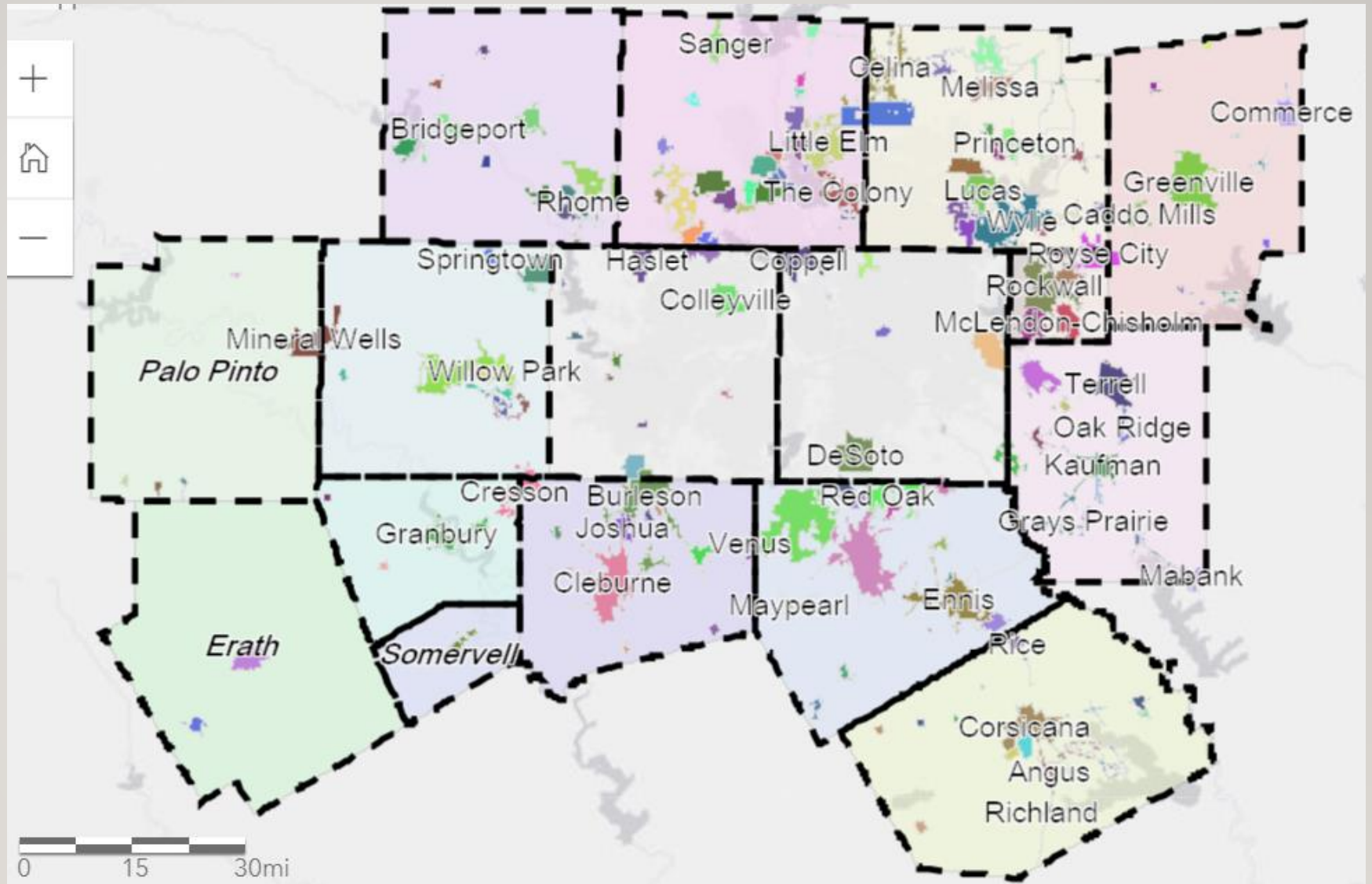
- Develop viable communities by providing decent housing and suitable living environments
- Expand economic opportunities principally for persons of low- to moderate-income

Eligible Applicants:

- Non-entitlement* cities with a population under 50,000
- Non-entitlement* counties with a non-metropolitan population under 200,000

*Non-Entitlement means a community is not designated as eligible for the entitlement portion of the federal Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG).

Non-Entitlement Communities in North Central Texas



<https://www.nctcog.org/envir/public-works/community-development>



ALICE IN TEXAS: A FINANCIAL HARDSHIP STUDY

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2020 TEXAS REPORT





Agenda – Economic Development District Board 4/8/2021

- Who is ALICE?
- Highlights from the 2020 ALICE Report for Texas
- COVID-19
- Effects on Housing

Who is ALICE?

- **A**sset Limited, **I**ncome **C**onstrained, **E**mployed
- Above Federal Poverty Level, below Household Survival Budget
- Low-wage jobs – cashiers, health care workers, security guards, laborers, office administration
- No savings:
 - For emergencies
 - For investing in the future – education, homeownership, retirement

Key Terms

Household Survival Budget: The bare-minimum costs of basic necessities (housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, and a smartphone plan).

ALICE Threshold: The average income needed to afford the Household Survival Budget. Households below the ALICE Threshold include both ALICE and poverty-level households.

ALICE: Households with income above the Federal Poverty Level but below the basic cost of living.

Poverty: Households earning below the Federal Poverty Level

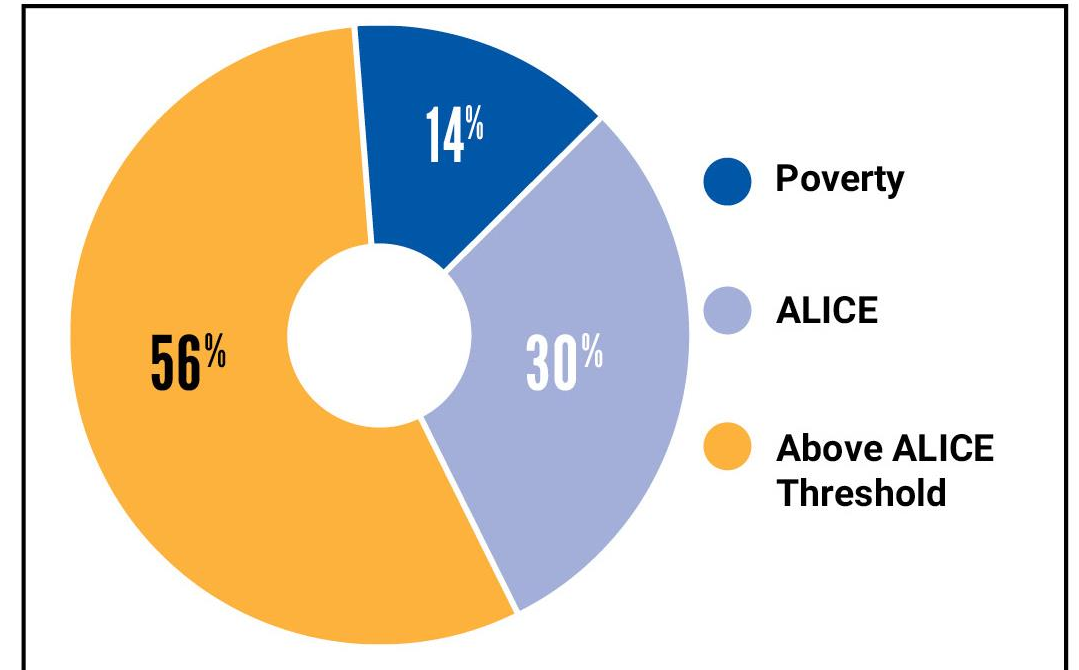
Total Households: The number of households as reported by the American Community Survey.

Overview

Over time, three trends are increasing:

- **Cost of living** for ALICE households
ALICE Essentials Index 3.4% vs. CPI 1.8%
- **Worker vulnerability** - while wages stagnate
- **Number of ALICE households**
Poverty remained flat at around 14%
ALICE in 2007: 21% of all households
ALICE in 2018: 30% of all households

Households by Income, Texas, 2018



Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2018; American Community Survey, 2018

COVID-19 Crisis

- **44% of households in TEXAS were already vulnerable**

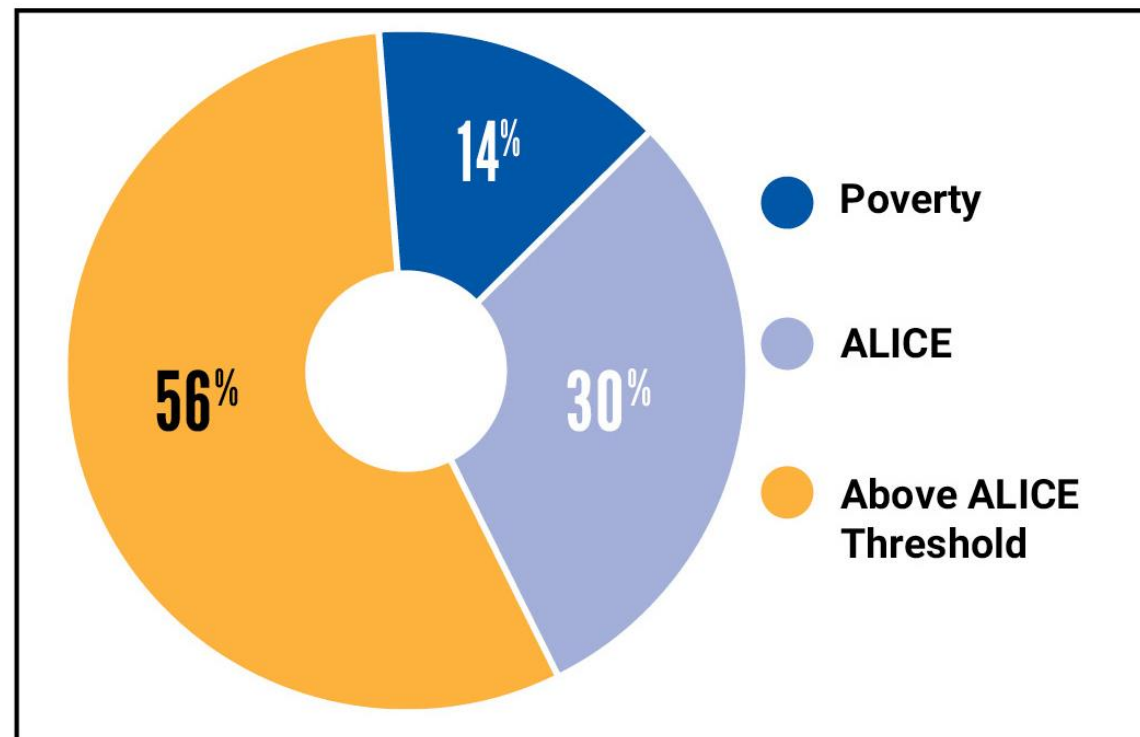
- 14% of households were in poverty
- 30% of households were ALICE

- The number of ALICE households will increase

- Rising unemployment
- Closed businesses
- Halted production of goods/services

- Inequalities are exacerbated by the pandemic

Households by Income, Texas, 2018

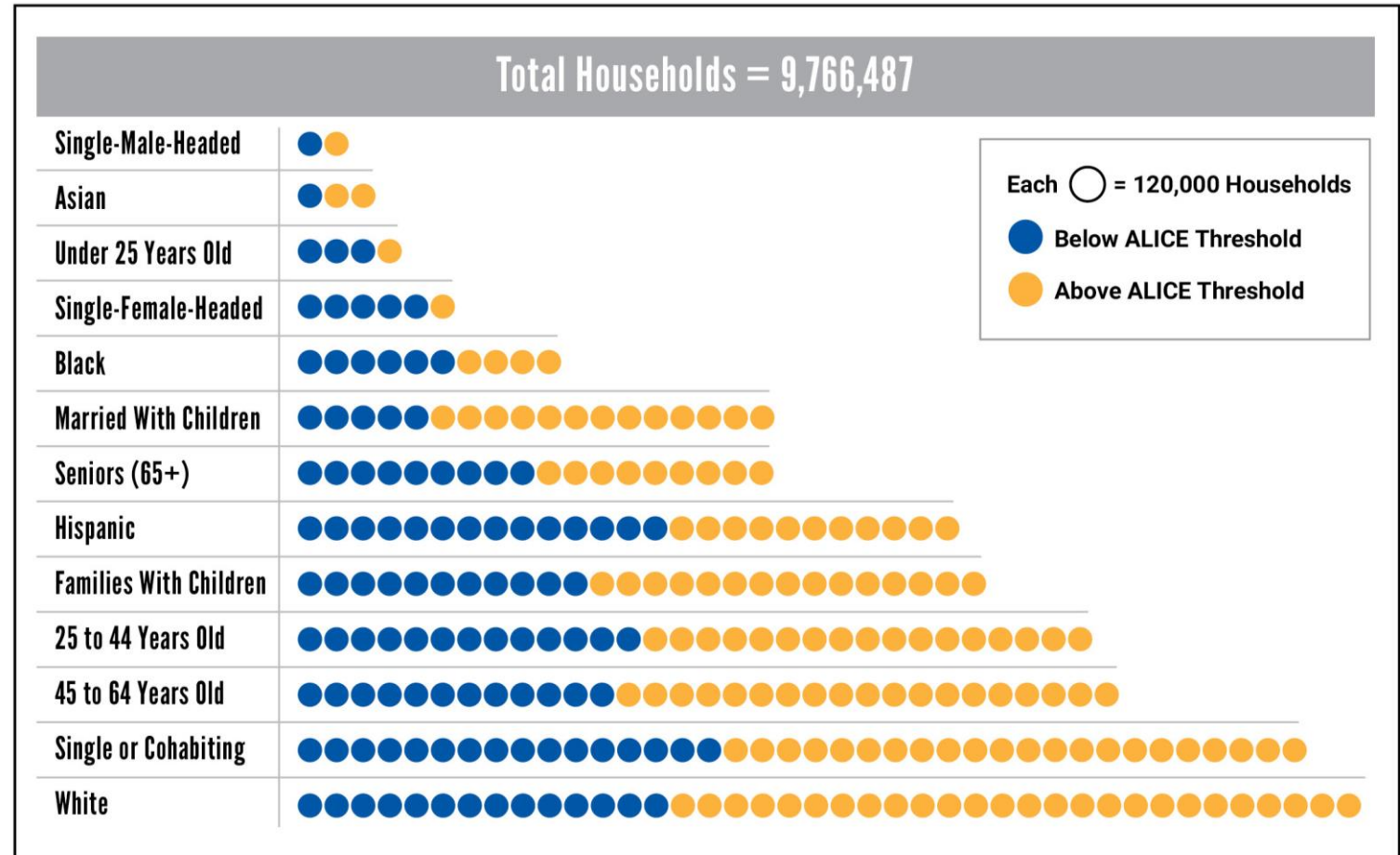


Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2018; American Community Survey, 2018

ALICE Demographics

- Household Demographics
- Relative total size and number of households below the ALICE Threshold

Household Types by Income, Largest Groups, Texas, 2018



Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2018; American Community Survey, 2018

ALICE Keeps the Economy Running

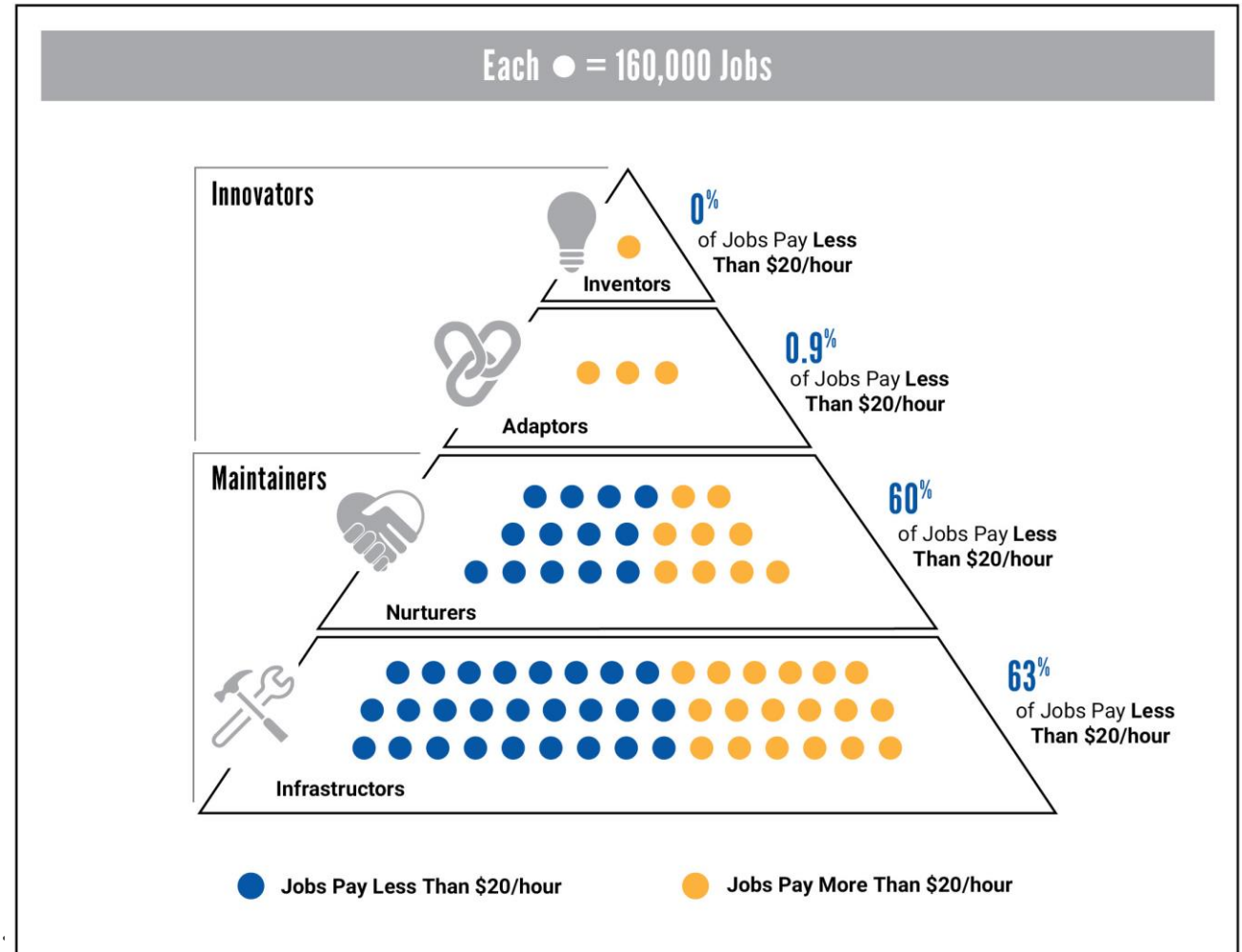
Occupations by Wage and Type, Texas, 2018

Maintainers

- Build and repair infrastructure
- Educate and care for workforce

COVID-19 Impact

- Many Nurturer jobs critical now; workers vulnerable to illness
- Many Infrastructor jobs on hold, will take time to ramp back up



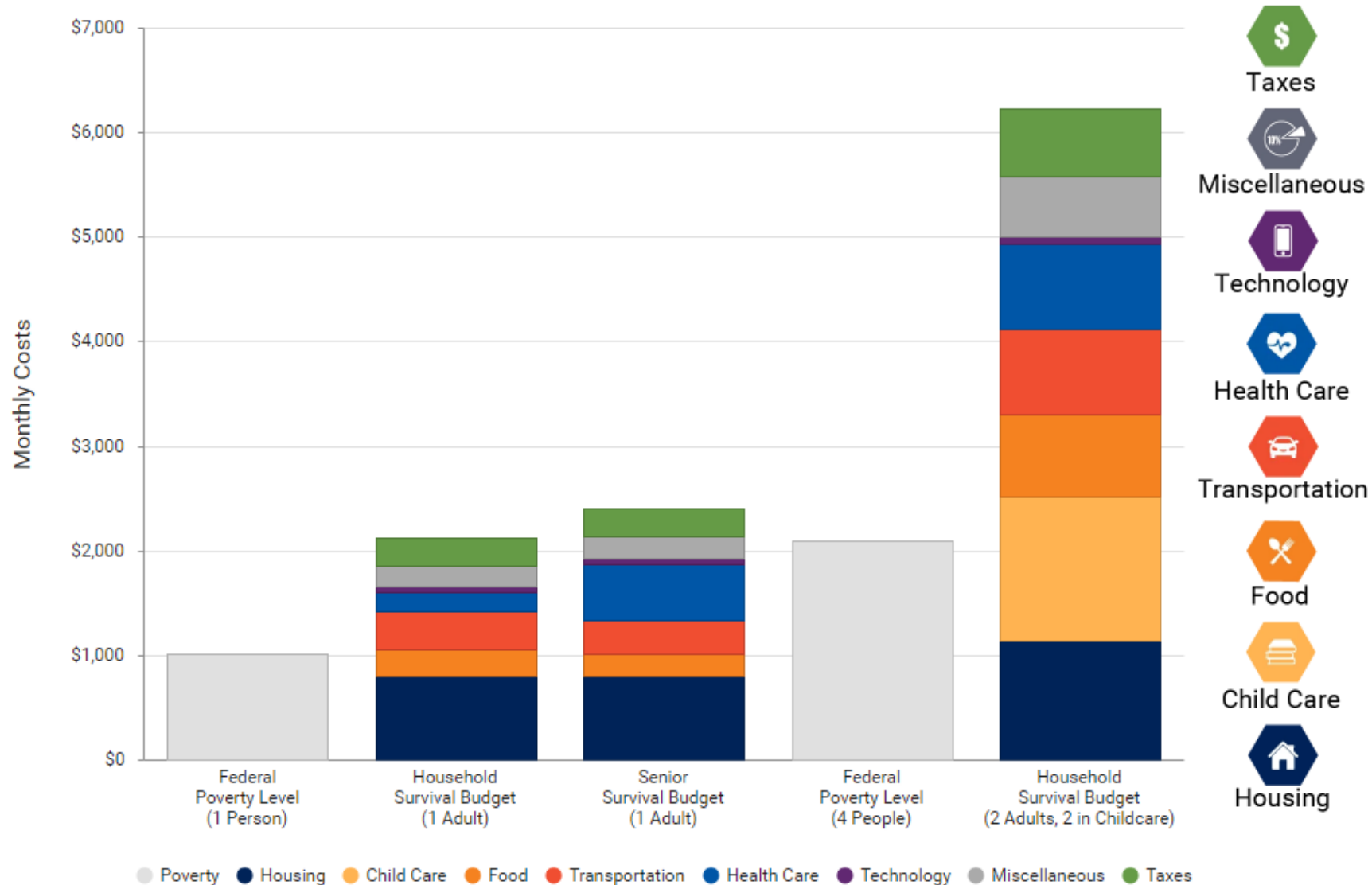
#EssentialALICE

**The household survival budget
for a family of 4 in Tarrant
County is \$6,225 each month.**

ALICE Budgets Differ by Household Type and Location

The interactive map and figure below show how the ALICE budgets differ by household type and location, and how they compare to the Federal Poverty Level.

Budget Comparison, Tarrant County, Texas, 2018



Why Do So Many Households Struggle?

The cost of household basics outpaces wages...

The Household Survival Budget reflects the bare minimum cost to live and work in the modern economy and includes housing, child care, food, transportation, health care, technology (a smartphone plan), and taxes. It does not include savings for emergencies or future goals like college or retirement. In 2018, household costs were well above the Federal Poverty Level of \$12,140 for a single adult and \$25,100 for a family of four.

	Single Adult	Two Adults	Two Adults Two School-Age Children	Two Adults Two in Child Care	Single Senior	Two Seniors
Housing	\$798	\$908	\$1,142	\$1,142	\$798	\$908
Child Care	\$0	\$0	\$482	\$1,373	\$0	\$0
Food	\$259	\$537	\$896	\$783	\$220	\$457
Transportation	\$358	\$530	\$826	\$826	\$312	\$438
Health Care	\$194	\$544	\$809	\$809	\$534	\$1,067
Technology	\$55	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$55	\$75
Miscellaneous	\$193	\$300	\$468	\$566	\$219	\$335
Taxes	\$268	\$407	\$450	\$651	\$268	\$407
Monthly Total	\$2,125	\$3,301	\$5,148	\$6,225	\$2,406	\$3,687
Annual Total	\$25,500	\$39,612	\$61,776	\$74,700	\$28,872	\$44,244
Hourly Wage	\$12.75	\$19.81	\$30.89	\$37.35	\$14.44	\$22.12

TARRANT COUNTY ALICE DATA

- Population: 2,084,931
- Number of Households: 722,473
- Median Household Income: \$66,063 (Texas Average: \$60,629)
- Unemployment Rate: 4.7% (Texas Average: 4.9%)

- 25% of Tarrant County population lived in ALICE level.
 - Fort Worth – 44%
 - Arlington – 37%
 - Northeast Tarrant – 27%

- ALICE Project – Texas
<https://unitedforalice.org/county-profiles/texas>

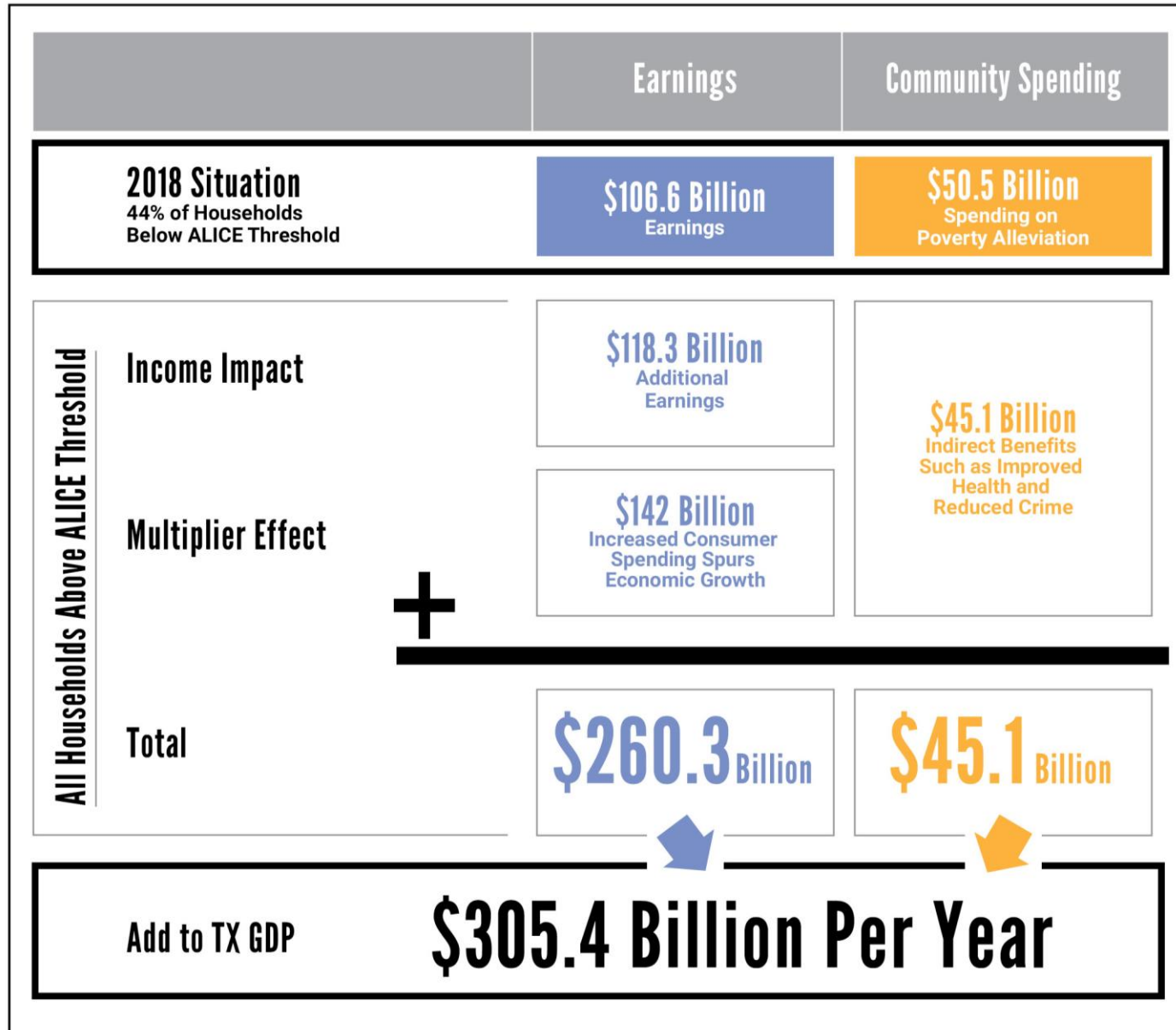
ALICE Project - Texas

Zip Code	Total Households	% Below ALICE Threshold
ZCTA5 76021	15,378	32%
ZCTA5 76022	5,722	39%
ZCTA5 76034	8,886	9%
ZCTA5 76036	8,483	31%
ZCTA5 76039	14,872	33%
ZCTA5 76040	11,478	44%
ZCTA5 76051	20,081	26%
ZCTA5 76052	7,209	15%
ZCTA5 76053	10,770	43%
ZCTA5 76054	4,371	21%
ZCTA5 76060	2,749	33%

ALICE Measures Help Guide Policy

- Household Survival Budget – can be used as eligibility criterion for assistance
 - Essential budget items highlight areas of need
- Percent below ALICE Threshold by geography – areas to target assistance
- Groups that are disproportionately ALICE are more vulnerable to COVID-19 impacts – by age, race/ethnicity, household type
- ALICE families face additional expenses – increased health care costs, quarantine costs, food

The Benefits of Moving Towards Equity



Sources: ALICE Threshold, 2018; American Community Survey, 2018; McKeever, 2018; National Association of State Budget Officers, 2019; Office of Management and Budget, 2019; U.S. Department of Agriculture—SNAP, 2019; Urban Institute, 2012



United Way of Tarrant County



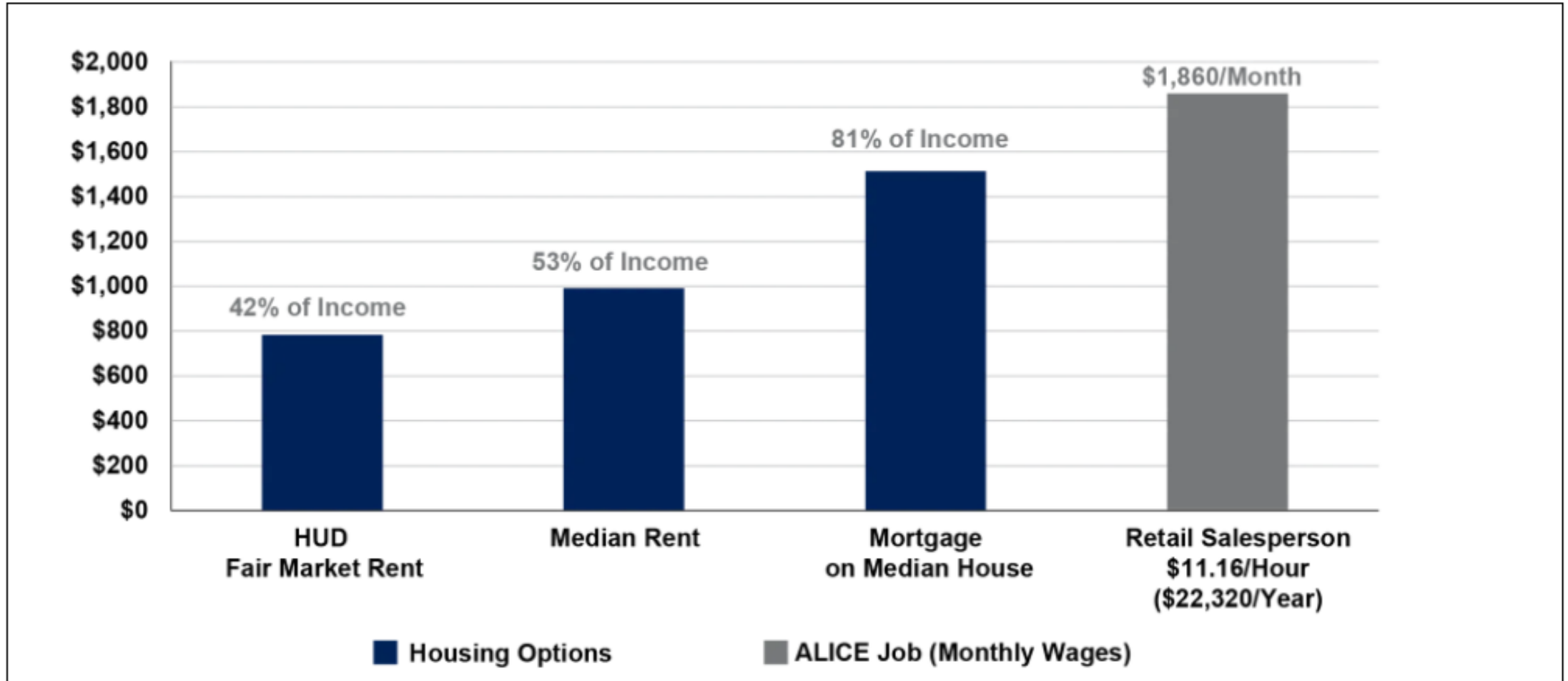
Real Estate Relevance

- **Where We Live Matters**

- Financial Stability
- Current and Future Health
- Life Expectancy
- Exposure to Violence
- Access to Resources
- Housing and Transportation Costs
- Educational Opportunities
- Future Economic Prosperity

Housing Costs

Monthly Housing Costs and ALICE Worker Wage, 2017



Sources: American Community Survey. (2017). 1-, 3-, and 5-year estimates; Bureau of Labor Statistics. (2017). Occupational employment statistics. U.S. Department of Labor; U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. (2017). Fair market rents

Benefits of Sufficient Income

- Impact on individuals and the community
- Companion to *Consequences of Insufficient Household Income Report* (www.UnitedForALICE.org/Consequences)



**Safe, Affordable
Housing**



**Reliable
Transportation**



**Quality Child Care
and Education**



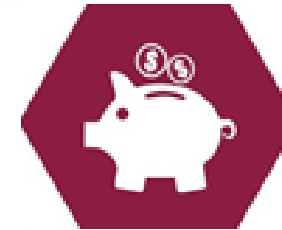
**Adequate
Food**



**Quality
Health Care**



**Reliable
Technology**



Savings

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Our Model

LISC is an investor, capacity builder, convener and innovator.



Pool Public and Private Dollars

We raise funds from philanthropies, corporations and financial firms, federal, state and local governments and through the capital markets.

We also generate income from consulting, and lending services.



Work With Local Partners

Through a network of local offices and community-based partners across the country, we provide grants, loans, equity and technical assistance.

We also lead advocacy efforts on local, regional and national policy.



Support People and Places

By investing in housing, businesses, jobs, schools, public spaces, safety, youth, health centers, grocery stores and more, we catalyze opportunities in communities nationwide.

Rural Definition

Where we work makes us unique.

Primarily communities with a **population size at or below 50,000**

Distance from a metro area and limited range of economic activities.

Under-invested communities with limited overall local resources and federal funding.



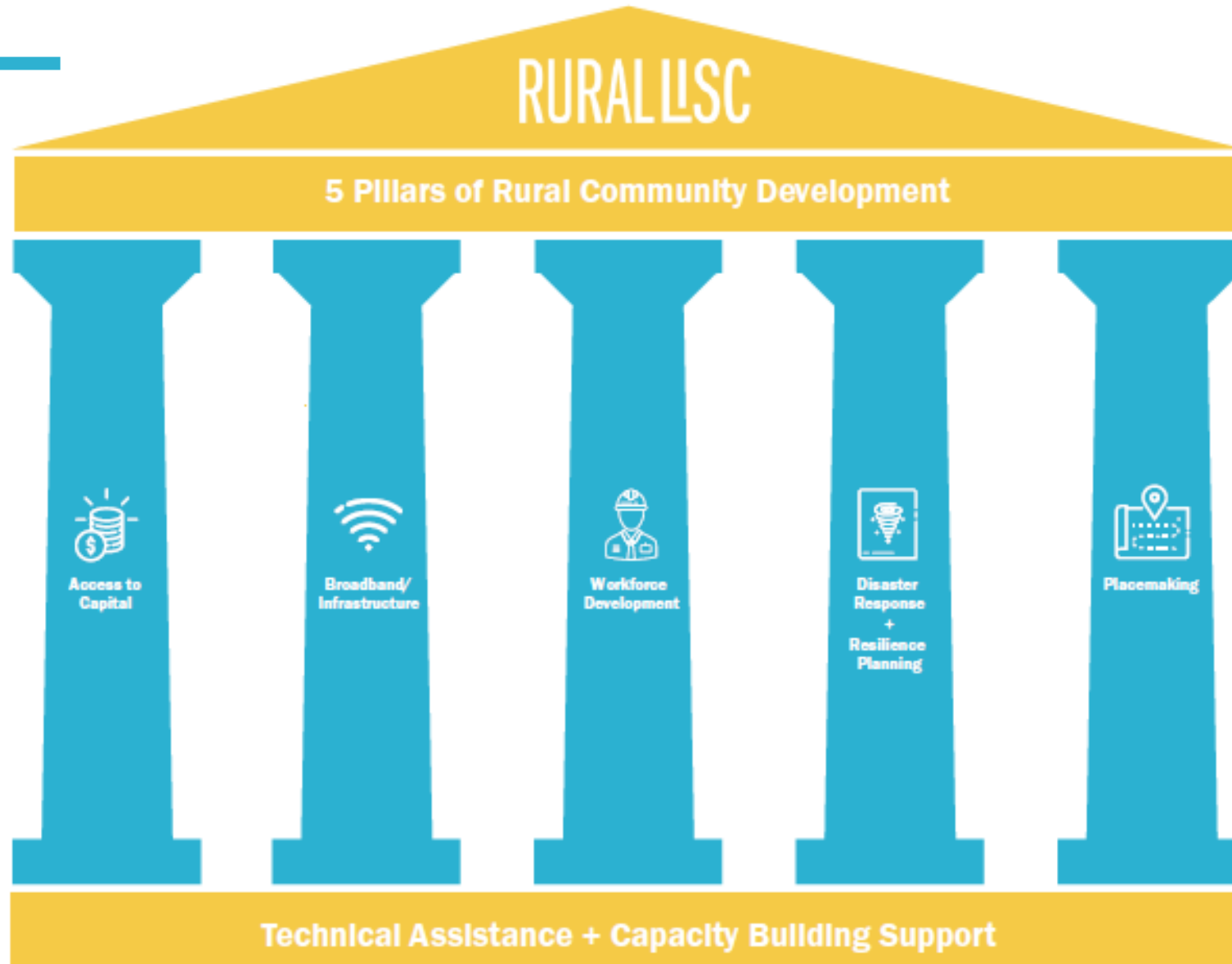
The LISC Rural Promise

In 2020 our OneLISC organization launched the LISC Rural Promise, **a call to elevate impact in rural America by 20 percent** over the next three years.

We believe this kind of **equity** is an **imperative for our country to thrive.**



Rural LISC's Pillars



How Our Workforce Programs Work Together

Our programs can work together or separate. Depending on the existing workforce development programs in a community, Rural Works, Bridges to Career Opportunities, and Financial Opportunity Centers can help fill any gap that exists.

Here's how they can work together if all three are offered through one of our local CBOs:



- Identifies employer needs to support employee's path to employment
- Supports the development of Career Pathways for clients
- Equips communities with tools to support employers, training partners, and workforce

- Underemployed
- Low-skill
- Extensive barriers
- Motivated
- Determined

- 1:1 Financial & Employment Coach
- Addresses barriers

- Provides contextualized math and literacy training specific to interested career pathway
- Provides soft-skills training

- Ensures Occupational Training programs are directly aligned with what local employers need/want
- Ensures there are jobs available for trainees after graduation

- Long-term Support
- 1:1 Financial & Employment Coaching
- Support of career pathways

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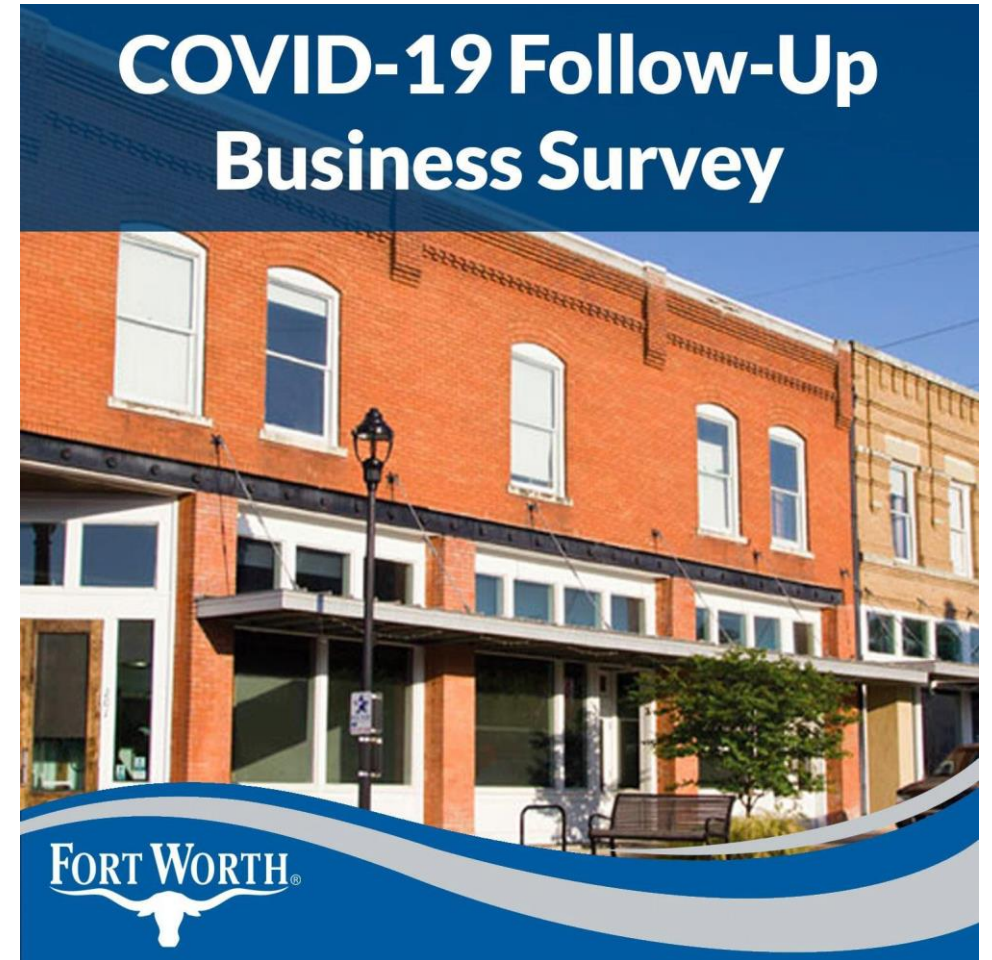
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Business Survey




Launched: March 17, 2020
March 26, 2020: 1,189 responses




Messaging & Communication

Y'ALL FLATTENING THE CURVE STAY IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY HOME.



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STAY AT HOME - WORK SAFE DECLARATION
MARCH 24 - APRIL 3, 2020

ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES

- Health Care Services
- Essential Government Functions
- Essential Critical Infrastructure as defined by the Department of Homeland Security*
- Essential Retail - including Grocery Stores and Restaurants for take-out only
- Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations
- Essential Services to Maintain Operations of Residences such as plumbing, roofing, and electrical services
- News Media
- Financial Institutions
- Childcare Services for essential workers only
- Places that Maintain Live Animals (closed to the public)
- Construction
- Funeral Services limited to ten attendees
- Worship Services (closed to the public)
- Commercial and Residential Moving Services

*<https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>

NON-ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES

Below is a list of examples of non-essential businesses that are closed:

- Barber Shops, Nail Salons, and Hair Salons
- Spas, Massage Parlors, Tanning Salons
- Estheticians and Related Personal Care Businesses
- Bars, Lounges or Taverns
- Commercial Amusement and Entertainment Establishments, Theaters
- Gyms, Fitness Classes, Yoga and Personal Training Facilities
- Tattoo and Piercing Parlors
- Residential Meeting Spaces and Event Centers
- Hotel Meeting Spaces and Ballrooms
- Outdoor Plazas and Markets

Note: These are just examples. All businesses that are not considered "Essential Businesses" are closed to the public but may perform limited functions specifically allowed in the City's declaration.

DAI LY SOCIAL MEDIA UPD ATES WITH FORT WORTH

Join the City of Fort Worth every day at 6pm on:

- Facebook:
 - Fort Worth City Hall (City of Fort Worth)
 - Betsy Price
 - Fort Worth Fire Department
 - Fort Worth Police Department

Hear updates on COVID-19 operations

- The Mayor, the City's Public Health Director, Fire Chief or the Police Chief will be answering questions and providing daily updates



Y'ALL WEAR A MASK. IT'S REQUIRED.

IN EFFECT ON JULY 3, 2020

Governor Abbott Executive Order GA-29 "Use of Face Covering" FAQ

What Does the Executive Order State?

That beginning July 3, 2020 (12:01 PM) every person in Texas shall wear a face covering over the nose and mouth when inside a public building/space or when in an outdoor public space where maintaining six feet of social distancing from another person (not from the same household) is not feasible. This means that you need to wear a mask both indoors and outdoors if you're not six feet from another person.

When is it Okay to Not Wear a Mask?

- If you are younger than 10 years of age
- If you have a medical condition or disability that prevents you from wearing a face covering
- If you're consuming food or drink, you're exercising outdoors, you're in a swimming pool (lake or similar body of water), you're voting (but it's strongly encouraged), you're obtaining a service that requires temporary access to your face such as visiting a bank or a security screening, you're giving a speech to an audience, you're actively providing or obtaining access to religious worship (but it's strongly recommended)

What's the Penalty or Fine for Not Wearing a Mask?

There will be a verbal or written warning for a first time violation of the face-covering requirement. A second violation is a fine that will not exceed \$250. Any violation after that will be \$250 for each violation. There is no arrest or jail time penalty for violation of the face-covering requirement.

Are Gatherings of 10 or More People Allowed?

The Governor also signed a Proclamation on July 2, 2020 prohibiting people from gathering in groups of more than 10 people. The groups of 10 people must maintain social distancing practices as well.

How long is this in Effect?

There is no end date on either the Face Covering Requirement (GA-29) or the limited gathering size. It will be determined by the Governor when these restrictions and requirements will be lifted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

DO NOT DO THIS ❌

INSTEAD, DO THIS ✅

Treat this as an extended Spring Break vacation.	Treat this as the public health crisis that it is, and act accordingly.
Gather in social groups for any reason.	Only gather with members of your household.
Use public park spaces as a gathering place.	Use public park spaces as an outlet for mental and physical health, practicing social distancing from those around you at all times.
Invite over a group of friends to catch up.	Plan a video or phone conference hangout to catch up with your friends virtually.
Attend a gathering of your neighbors.	Check in on your neighbors by calling or messaging them online.
Gather together with a group of any size to go to the park together.	Go to the park with members of your family unit only, while practicing social distancing from others.
Visit the grocery store every day.	Send one member (if possible) of your household to the grocery store to pick up essentials once a week.
Gather with a group outside of your household for dinner.	Support local businesses by ordering take-out or delivery from restaurant to enjoy at home with your household.

Do not gather in groups of any size. Stay home as much as possible.

Y'ALL STAY HOME

FLATTENING THE CURVE IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY

BUSINESS COVID-19 FAQs & RESOURCES

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The Right Moments at the Right Time

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Are YOU a business looking for resources & information about COVID-19?

FortWorthTexas.gov/COVID-19/Business-Resources

Not sure if your business is essential or non-essential?

FortWorthTexas.gov/COVID-19/Business-Resources

Are YOU looking for a new job? Workforce Solutions Jobs Now page

WorkforceSolutions.net/#jobsnow

Do YOU need help filing for unemployment? Texas Workforce Commission

TWC.Texas.gov/News/COVID-19-Resources-Job-Seekers

Are YOU looking for help with CareAct & Small Business Assistance loans?

TarrantSBDC.org
FortWorth.Score.org

Want to support your local restaurants & creatives?

FortWorth.com

Want to stay up to date on event updates and postponements?

FortWorth.com

If you're an entrepreneur or small business and need help with a partner?

Sparkyard.co

Need tools and resources for HR?

FortWorthTexas.gov/COVID-19/Business-Resources
FortWorthChamber.com

Recursos comerciales en español? La Camara de Comercio Hispana de Fort Worth

FWHCC.org

Fort Worth Metropolitan Black Chamber of Commerce Business Resources

FWMBCC.org

SUPPORT THE FORT

TAKE-OUT & PICK-UP RESTAURANTS AND RETAIL



#ShopFortWorth

Y'ALL RE-OPENING FORT WORTH GET THE RESPONSIBLE WAY READY



PAYROLL PROTECTION PROGRAM

APPLICATION DEADLINE
June 30

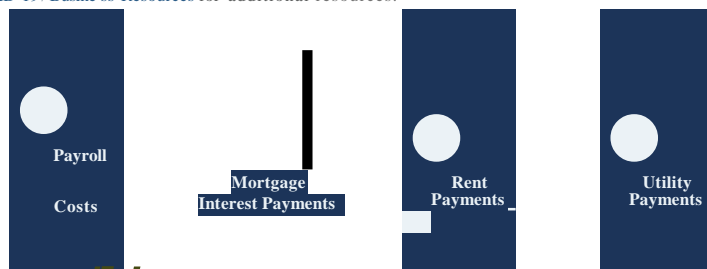
The Small Business Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), a provision of the CARES Act, provides small businesses with enough funds to pay up to eight weeks of payroll costs, including benefits. These funds come in the form of loans that may be fully forgiven when used for payroll costs, interest on mortgages, rent, and utilities.



To apply contact your financial institution or find your nearest PPP lender by visiting [SBA.gov/local-assistance](https://www.sba.gov/local-assistance). You can also visit the Tarrant Small Business Development Center at [TarrantBDC.org](https://www.tarrantbdc.org). If your business has been affected by the COVID-19 outbreak, visit [FortWorthTexas.gov/COYID-19/Business-Resources](https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/COYID-19/Business-Resources) for additional resources.

LOAN FORGIVENESS:

PPP borrowers are eligible for loan forgiveness for the following expenses:



ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS

- Small Businesses (50 employees or less)
- Sole Proprietors
- Independent Contractors
- Self-Employed Individuals
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Veterans Organizations
- Tribal Business Concerns

LOAN TERMS

- 2 years maximum loan term
- 1% maximum interest rate

USE PPP LOAN PROCEEDS TO PAY FOR

- Payroll costs
- Group healthcare benefits during the covered period, including paid sick, medical, or family leave, and insurance premiums
- Employee salaries, commissions, or similar compensations
- Payments of mortgage interest (excluding principal)
- Rent
- Utilities
- Interest on any other debt obligations that were incurred during the covered period

MAXIMUM PPP LOAN AMOUNT *

Total the following:
Incurred over a one year period (12 week period for seasonal employees)



*Not to exceed \$10 million

FORT WORTH

Dec. 21, 2020

Dear Restaurant/Bar Owners and Operators:

During the holidays, we strongly urge bars/restaurants to comply with Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-32. While MOST establishments are in compliance or operating near compliance, there are still too many establishments operating in violation of the Governor's Order. Unfortunately, some establishments are making NO attempt to comply.

Bars that have more than 51% of their gross sales in alcoholic beverages and do not possess a food and beverage license from TABC are prohibited from offering on-premise services; however, drive-thru, pickup and delivery options for food and drink remains allowed to the extent permitted by TABC.

To assist with compliance, we have highlighted some best practices below for the businesses that may remain open (below 51% alcohol sales):

- Encourage individuals in lines to wear masks while waiting on sidewalks. **You are responsible for ensuring masks are worn and social distancing is maintained on private property.** You will set the expectations early.
- Establishments that greet customers at the door, require mask wearing for entrance, explain mask wearing requirements (must wear while not seated) and that consistently enforce mask wearing inside the establishment, have fewer violations overall.**
- Patrons at bar/restaurants may eat or drink only while seated.** Patrons can not drink or eat while standing, walking or dancing. **Masks must be worn while not seated.**
- Social distancing protocols followed at all times.**
- Group size is limited to 10 individuals including at tables.**
- Table service is provided, which results in greater compliance. **When establishments offer walk-up bar service, it results in major repeat violations almost 100% of the time.** This includes congregating around the bar, not wearing a mask, standing in groups drinking or more people drinking than there are tables and chairs available.

Additional recommendations can be found at www.open.texas.gov. Please work with your staff and patrons to adhere to the Executive Order. Please call us at 817-392-7255 if you have questions.

With best wishes for your health and safety,

Wyndie Turpen
Code Compliance Superintendent

CODE COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT
Consumer Health Division

The City of Fort Worth 818 Missouri Avenue, Room 150 Fort Worth, Texas 76104
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HELP DO YOUR PART.



WE'RE COMMITTED



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<https://www.fortworth.com/staystrong/>

PPE Distribution



503,000

FACE MASKS DISTRIBUTED,
INCLUDING 486,000
DISPOSABLE FACE MASKS,
12,000 KN95 MASKS AND 5,000
REUSABLE FACE MASKS.
\$250,000 IN SMALL BUSINESS
GRANTS. 60,000 DISPOSABLE
GLOVES. 812 GALLONS OF
SANITIZER. 200 CONTACTLESS
THERMOMETERS.
APPROXIMATELY 2,500
BUSINESSES IMPACTED.

Funding

CREATIVE INDUSTRY RELIEF FUND



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PROVIDING PPE TO LOCAL BUSINESSES

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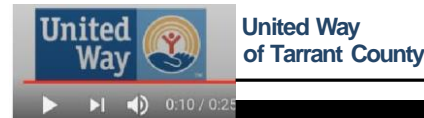
Reimagine AND REBUILD

Reimagine Tarrant County Rebuilding a Stronger Community

The COVID-19 pandemic had a devastating impact on our community. We are committed to supporting Tarrant County through long-term recovery efforts.

Please take a moment to reimagine a healthier and more vibrant Tarrant County, then join us in rebuilding a stronger community.


Donate now to our new Rebuild Tarrant County Fund.



FORT WORTH | **People Fund**

Business Resiliency Microloan Program

for Fort Worth businesses



- ✓ Established physical address in Fort Worth.
- ✓ Current with city and county property taxes.

Apply online: peoplefund.org/get-a-loan

PRESERVE THE FORT

SMALL BUSINESS GRANTS



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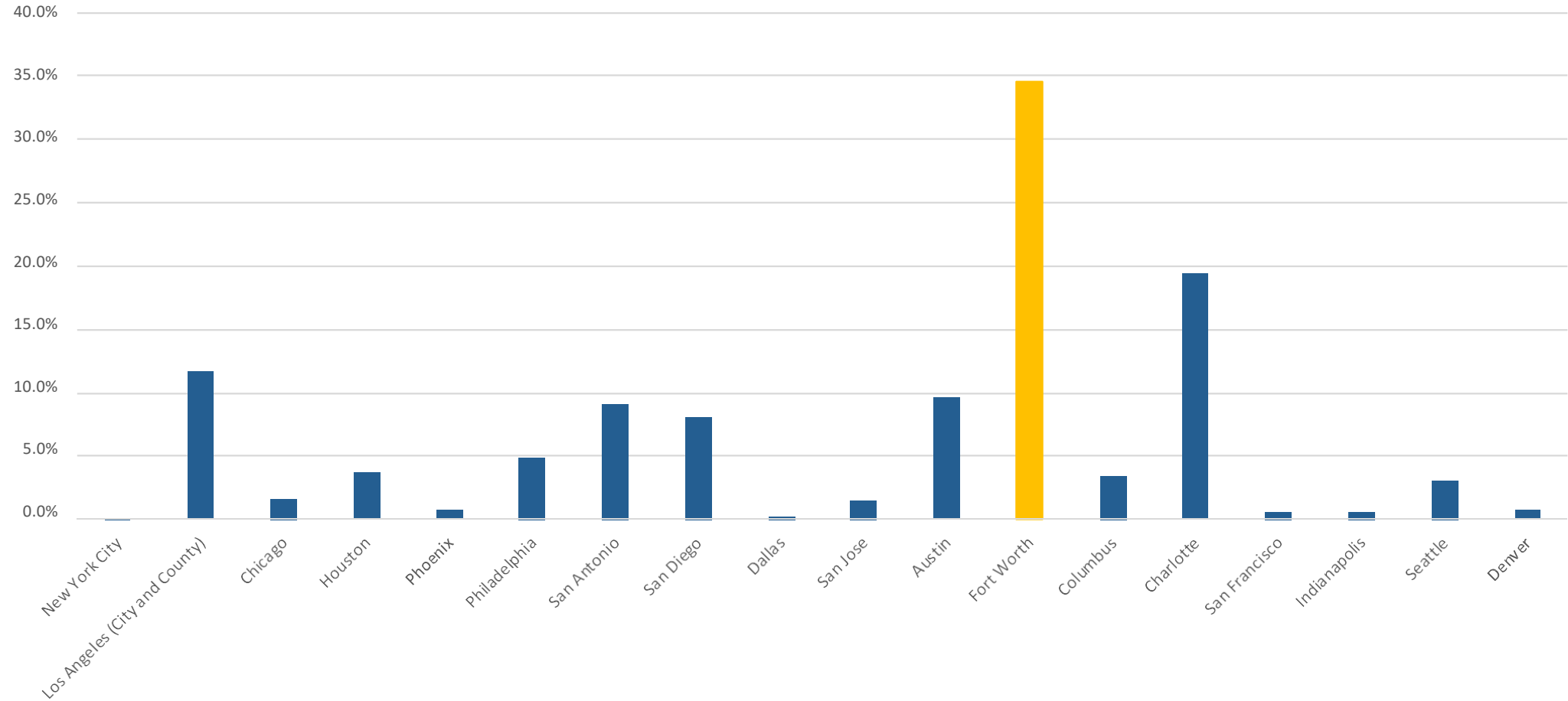
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VISIT FORT WORTH




Grant Category	Grants Approved	Amount
City-Wide Small Business	481	\$19,254,891
Target Area Small Business	364	\$17,011,387
Business Equity Small Business	756	\$17,494,264
Performing Arts Non-Profits	12	\$988,678
Non-Profits Reimbursement	27	\$227,439
TOTAL	1,640	\$54,976,659

Percent of CARES Act Funds Spent on Small Businesses in 20 Largest Cities



*As of December 2020

**Data for Jacksonville, FL not available

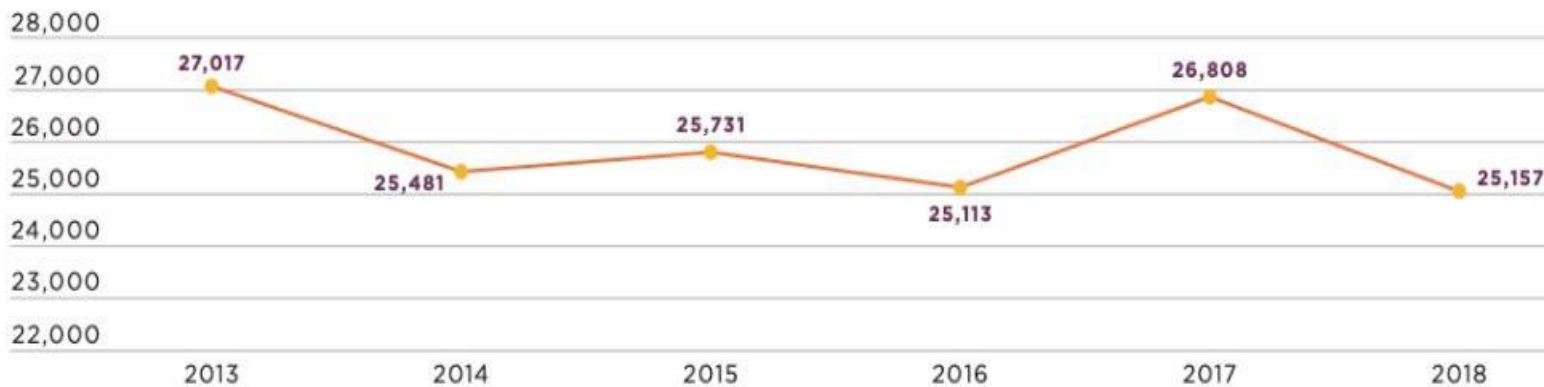
Source: City of Fort Worth Economic Development Department; from published data

Why are small business important?

JOB CREATION

Job creation from new firms in Tarrant County has remained fairly constant from 2013 to 2018. In 2018, firms 0-1 years old created 25,157 jobs. Total employment in Tarrant County in 2018 was 850,252; jobs created by new firms accounted for 3% of total employment.

NEW FIRMS IN TARRANT COUNTY CREATE 25,000+ JOBS PER YEAR



Thank You

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US Census Bureau COVID-19 HUB and Community Resilience Estimates

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- Small Business Pulse Survey

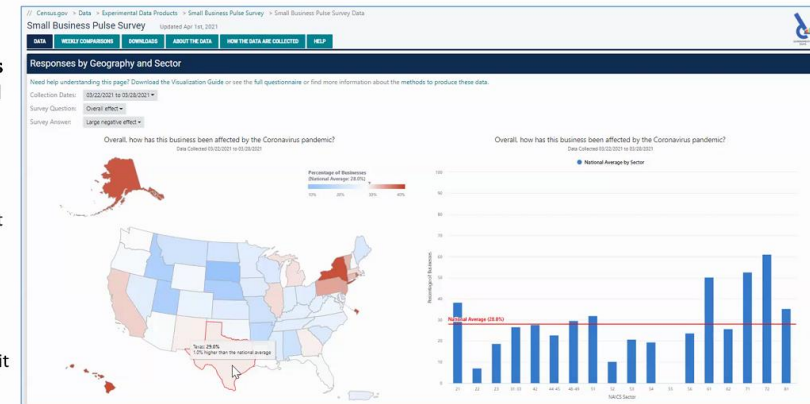
- Food sector had largest impact (NAICS 72)
- NAICS 55 had no impact= management of companies and HQ
- Not as bad as NY, AK, HI

Small Business Pulse Survey

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Measures the changes in business conditions on small businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic

- Data on the impact of COVID-19 on small employer businesses
- Geographies
 - Nation and State by 2-digit NAICS



Household Pulse Survey

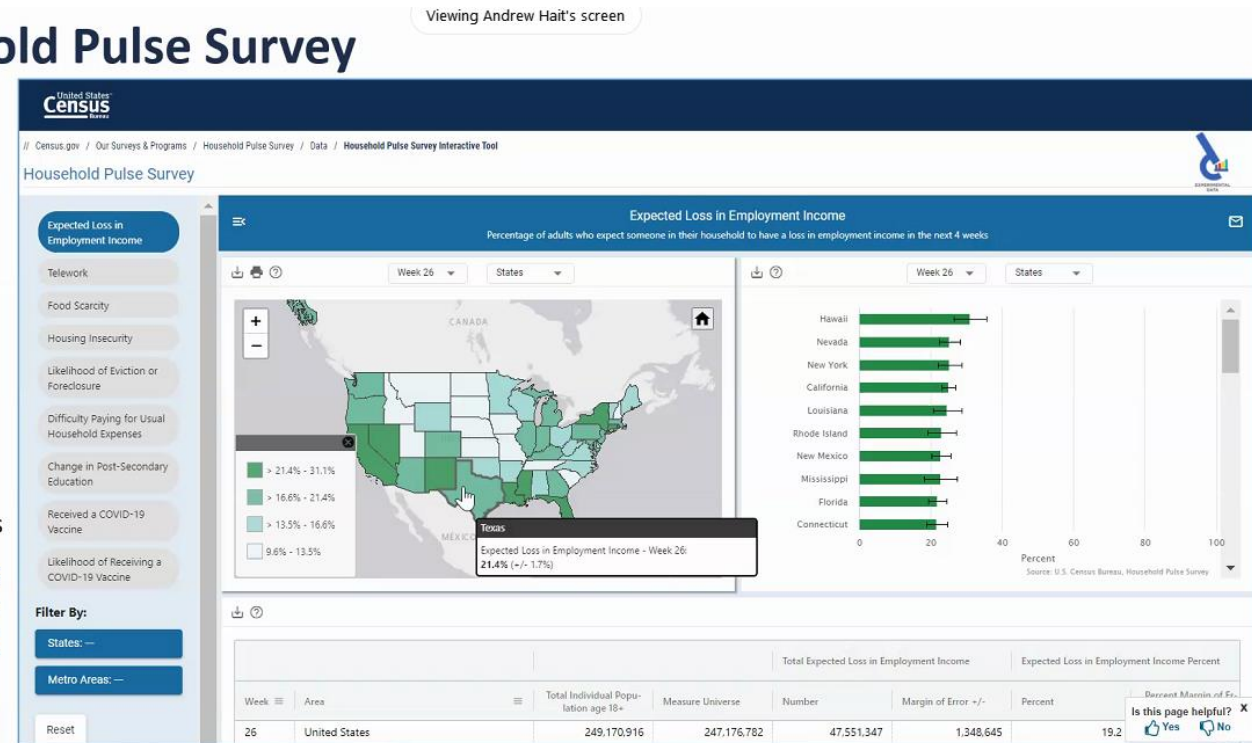
- Weekly survey how people and households impacted by pandemic
- Response changed over time, some questions not asked that were at beginning, some questions now asked that weren't like vaccine

Household Pulse Survey

Measures household experiences during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

- Data shown for the Nation, States, and top 50 metros

<https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/household-pulse-survey/data.html>



<https://www.census.gov/data-tools/demo/hhp/#/>

- If familiar of disaster preparedness and Emergency response, then familiar with vulnerability measures

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What is Resilience?

- Community resilience is a measure of the capacity of individuals and households within a community to absorb, endure and recover from the external stresses of the impacts of a disaster.
- Research shows that resilience can be predicted by individual and household characteristics.

- New factors based on research March/April/May of COVID
- Risk factors cumulative at individual level

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Why should Census measure resilience?

- Measures of social and economic vulnerability in the United States derive from publicly available Decennial Census and / or ACS data.
 - Current measures available are deficient in granularity and accuracy.

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Individual Risk Flags

ACS Risk Flags:

- Aged 65 and above.
- In households with an Income-to-Poverty Ratio less than 130.
- Living in single, or zero, caregiver households.
- Living in households with a communication barrier (education and language).
- Who live in a household with no employed persons.
- With either physical or mental disability or serious constraint to significant life activity.
- Living in a household with more than 0.75 persons per room.
 - Or who live in a tract where more than 75% of the population reside in a block denser than 4,000 people per square mile.

NHIS Risk Flags:

- Respiratory Disease
- Heart Disease
- Diabetes



Community Resilience Estimates

- The result is an estimate of the number of individuals by the number of risk factors they are living with, categorized into three groups:
 - Zero flagged risk factors
 - One to two flagged risk factors
 - Three or more risk factors.
 - The most vulnerable of the vulnerable.



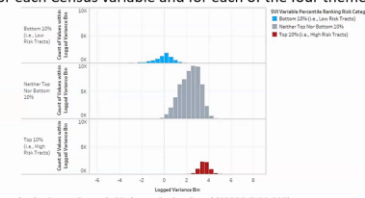
Recommendations

- CRE is best suited for
 - Accurately identifying the most at-risk population for equitable distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine and federal funding.
 - Cumulative risk factor estimates are unlike any other data available to the public.
 - Methods used in the development of the CRE have proven to be best suited for distribution of federal funding (e.g. SAIPE & SAHIE)
 - Accurately identifying small and hard-to-reach populations.
- May be used in conjunction with other data overlaid
- May be customized to agency and stakeholder needs

How about the Social Vulnerability Index (SVI)?

- SVI indicates the relative vulnerability of every U.S. Census tract.
 - SVI ranks the tracts on 15 social factors...and groups them into four related themes.
 - Each tract receives a ranking for each Census variable and for each of the four themes, as well as an overall ranking.

NBC News 2.22.21
Biden upends Trump's calculation of who gets federal vaccination help
 The Biden vaccine aid applies to people who've received coronavirus "herd immunity" shots. Asking for specifics "will not be helpful."



Risk and Error Comparison – CRE & SVI

CRE	
3+ Population	1,035
3+ Rate	33.26%
SVI	
Sum of Themes	3.6759
Overall Ranking	.045



Other New Experimental Data Products

(See

<https://www.census.gov/data/experimental-data-products.html>)

- **Selected Monthly State Sales Tax Collections**
 - Helps users understand the impacts of the pandemic on state governments
 - <https://www.census.gov/data/experimental-data-products/selected-monthly-state-sales-tax-collections.html>
- **Monthly State Retail Sales**
 - Enhances the Monthly Retail Trade Survey data by providing additional state-level data
 - <https://www.census.gov/data/experimental-data-products/monthly-state-retail-sales.html>



Selected Monthly State Sales Tax Collections

The Monthly State Sales Tax Collection is a new monthly measure of state government sales tax collections for selected sales tax.



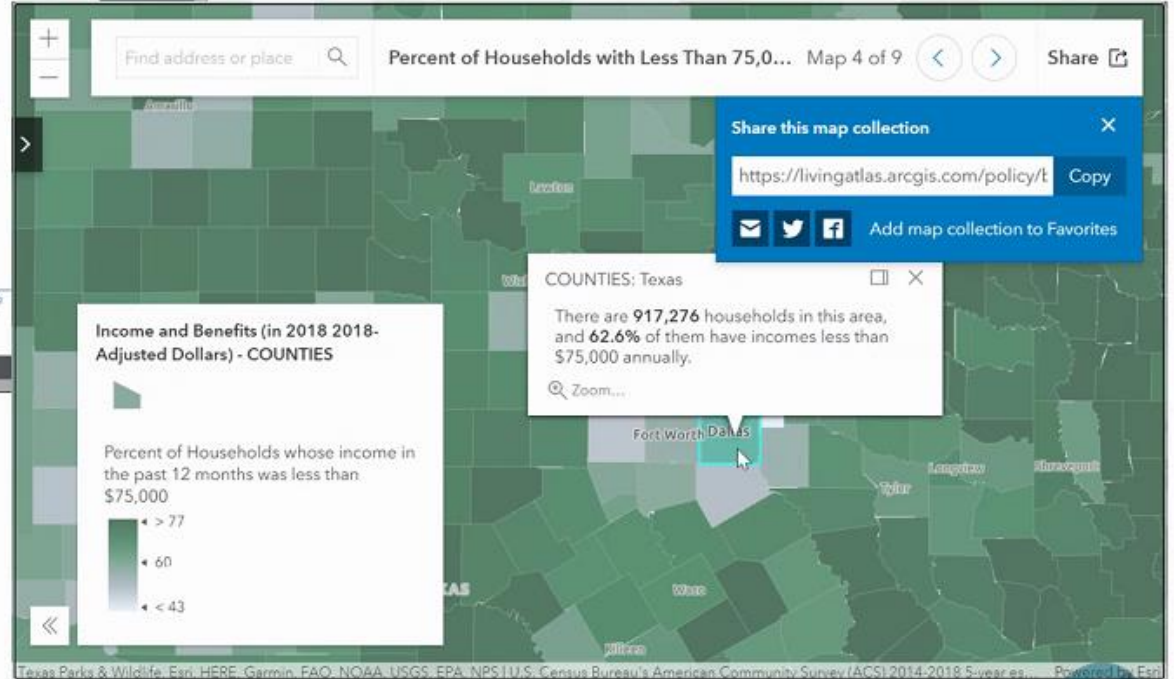
Monthly State Retail Sales

The Census Bureau has released the Monthly State Retail Sales (MSRS) an experimental data product featuring monthly state-level retail sales.



COVID-19 Hub

<https://covid19.census.gov/>



<https://www.census.gov/topics/preparedness/events/pandemics/covid-19.html>

Census Bureau COVID-19 Hub

covid19.census.gov

- Data Equity Tools
- Additional Federal Datasets
- COVID-19 Surveys and Estimates
- Demographic and Economic Analysis
- Highlighted Datasets
- Categorical Dataset Search

The screenshot shows the homepage of the US Census Bureau COVID-19 Site. The header includes the US Census Bureau logo, the text "US Census Bureau COVID-19 Site", and a link to "FAQs". The main heading is "COVID-19 Demographic and Economic Resources" with the subtitle "United States Census Bureau". Below the heading are social media sharing icons for email, Twitter, and Facebook. The page features seven teal buttons arranged in two rows: "Data Equity Tools", "Additional Federal Datasets", "Covid-19 Surveys and Estimates", "Demographic and Economic Analysis", "Highlighted Datasets", and "Categorical Datasets Search". At the bottom, there is a footer with the text "V2.1 - 1/28/2021 Release" and a link to "What's new/coming soon.", followed by a call to action: "Sign up here to stay connected. Your Feedback would be greatly appreciated."



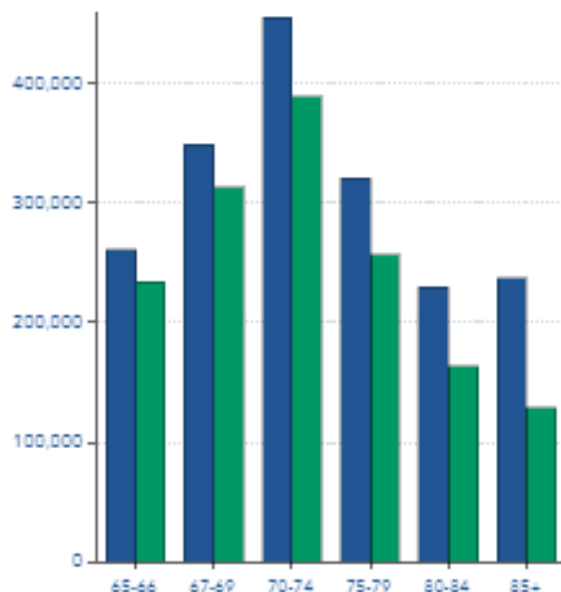
STATE COVID-19 IMPACT PLANNING REPORT

Texas (FIPS 48)



POPULATION 65 AND OLDER

Female Male



KEY FACTS

27,885,195

Total Population

9,553,046

Total Households

2.86

Average Household Size

34.4

Median Age

79.6%

Internet At Home

BUSINESSES



600,747

Total Employer Establishments



10,794,596

Total Employees



\$577,914,267

Total Annual Payroll (\$1,000)



\$74,369,383

Total Accommodation and Food Services Sales (\$1,000)



2,514,301

Total Non-Employer Establishments



\$125,732,770

Total Non-Employer Revenue (\$1,000)

POVERTY



1,362,378

Households Below Poverty Level



1,167,725

Households Receiving Food Stamps/SNAP

AT-RISK POPULATION



2,330,118

Households With Disability



784,778

Households w/Pop 65+ Living Alone



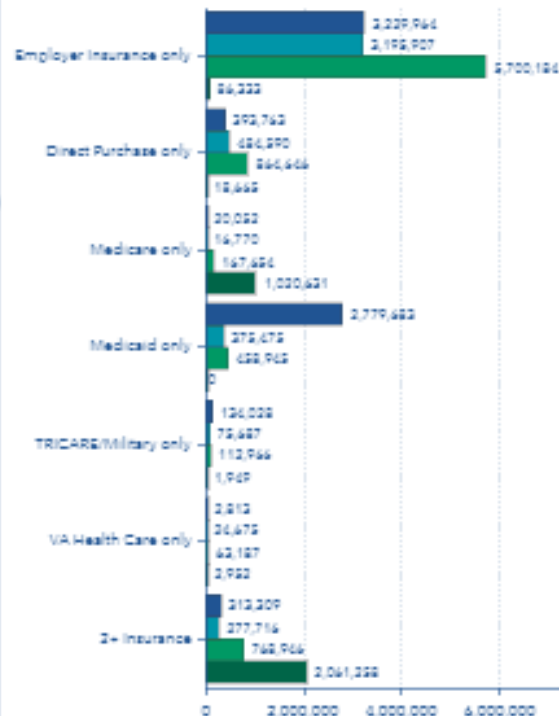
512,772

Households Without Vehicle

HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE BY AGE

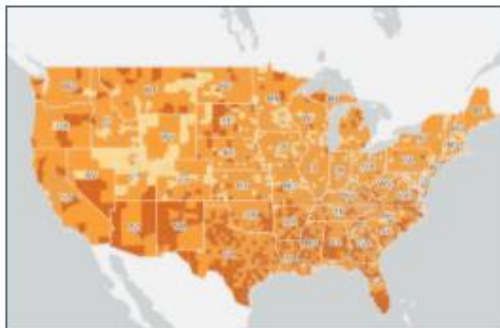
(Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population)

Pop 0-18 Pop 19-24 Pop 25-64 Pop 65+



Source: Program Areas

Data equity Tools



Community Resilience Estimates

The capacity of individuals and households to absorb, endure, and recover from the health, social, and economic impacts of a disaster such as a hurricane or pandemic.

[Explore Data](#)



The Response Outreach Area Mapper (ROAM)

Developed to make it easier to identify hard-to-survey areas and to provide a socioeconomic and demographic characteristic profile of these areas.

[Explore Data](#)



Opportunity Atlas

A comprehensive Census tract-level dataset of children's outcomes in adulthood using data covering nearly the entire U.S. population.

[Explore Data](#)



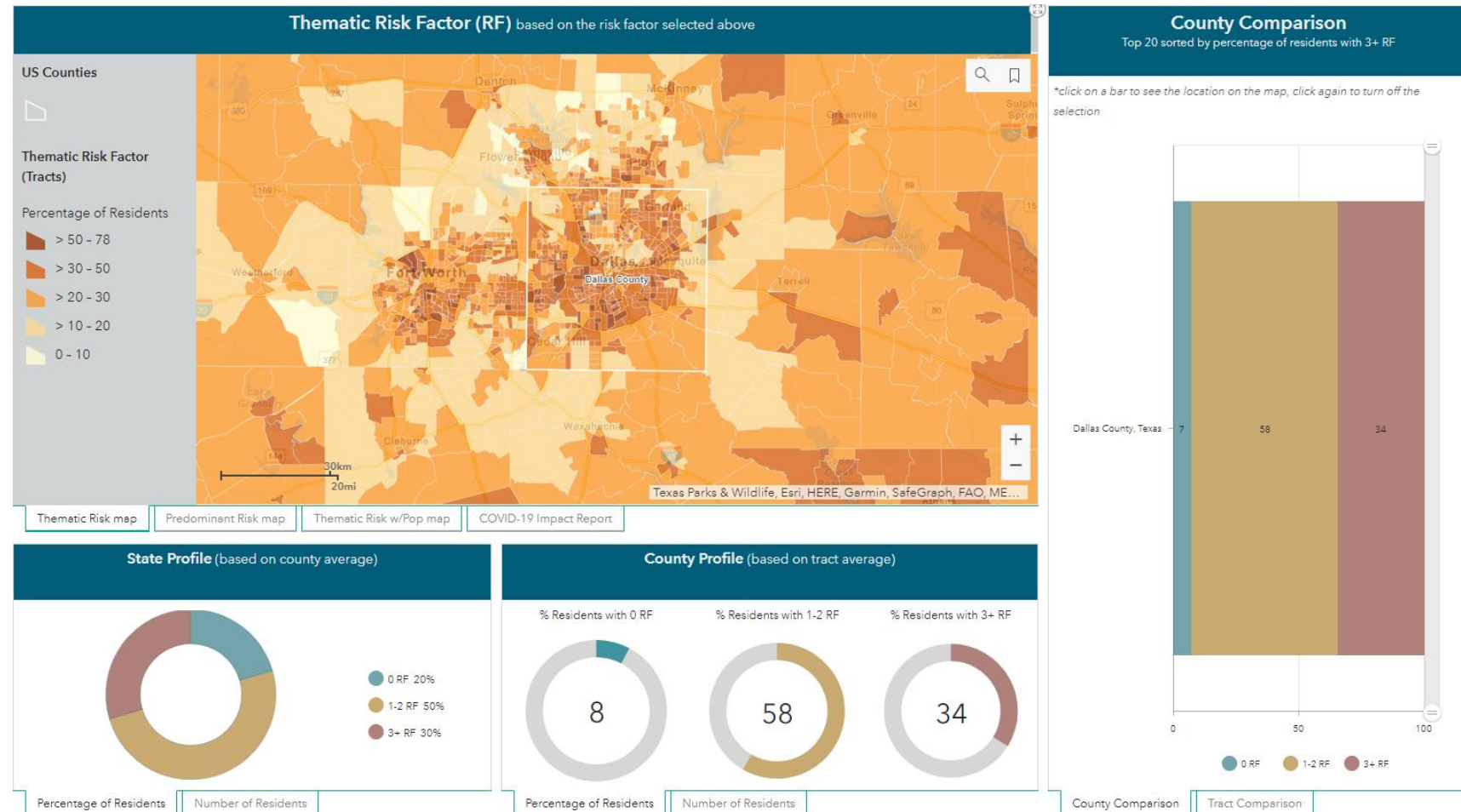
LEHD

Data from the Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Partnership provide unprecedented detail about America's jobs, workers, and local economies.

[Explore Data](#)

New Covid-19 surveys and estimates

- Weekly Household Pulse Survey
- Weekly Small Business Pulse Survey
- Community Resiliency Estimates (CRE)
- Selected Monthly State Sales Tax Collection
- Monthly State Retail Sales



Developing New COVID-19 DATA

ACS-defined Risk Factors (RF) for Households (HH) and Individuals (I)

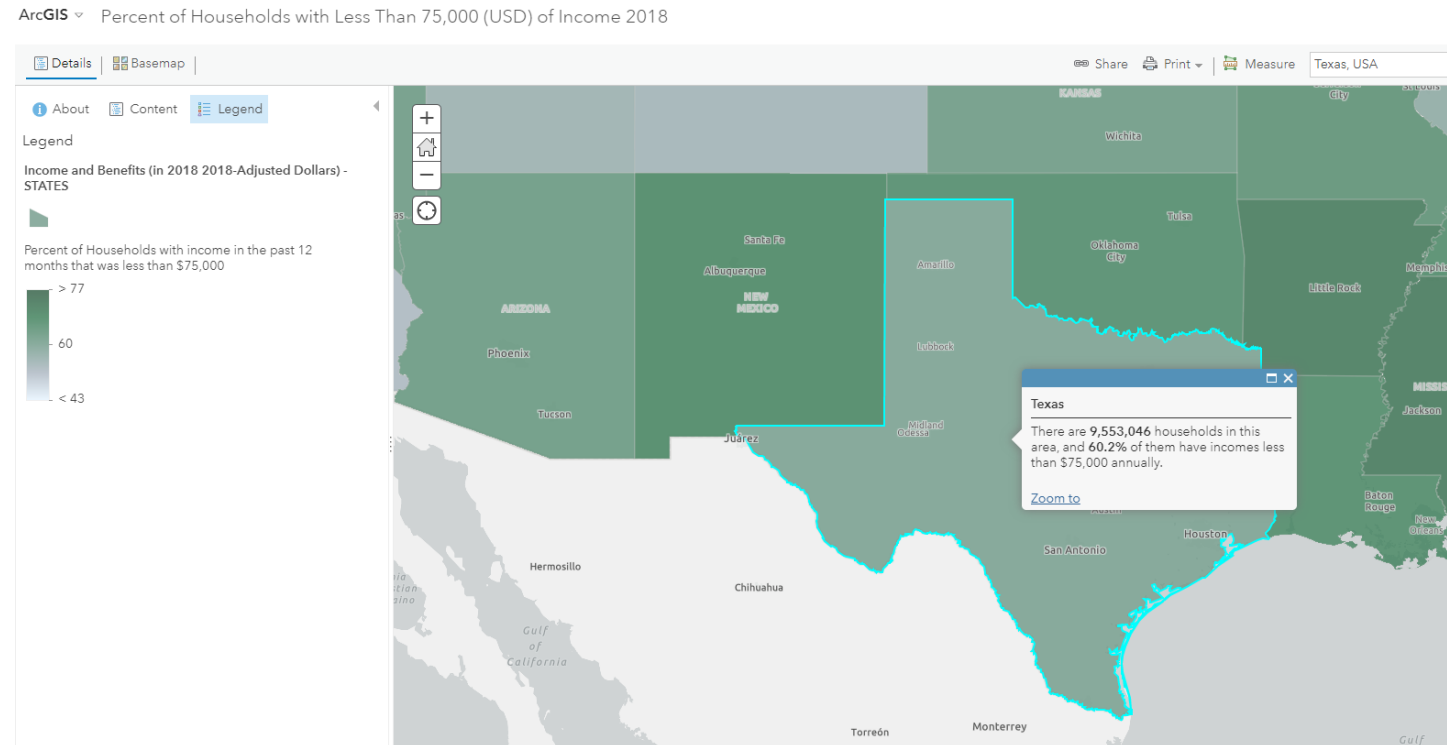
1. Income-to-Poverty Ratio (IPR) < 130 percent (HH).
2. Single or zero caregiver household - only one or no individuals living in the household who are 18-64 (HH).
3. Crowding defined as either
 1. Unit-level crowding defined as > 0.75 persons per room (HH) or 4
 2. Household resides within a high-density tract defined as 75% of the population living in blocks with greater than 4,000 people per square mile
4. Communication barrier defined as either
 1. Linguistically isolated (HH) or
 2. No one in the household over the age of 16 with a high school diploma (HH)
5. No employed persons (HH)
6. Disability posing constraint to significant life activity
 1. Persons who report having any one of the six disability types (I): hearing difficulty, vision difficulty, cognitive difficulty, ambulatory difficulty, self-care difficulty, and independent living difficulty.
7. No health insurance coverage (I)
8. Age >= 65 (I)

National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) risk Factors

9. Serious heart condition (I)
10. Diabetes (I)
11. Emphysema or current asthma (I)

Demographic and Economic Analysis

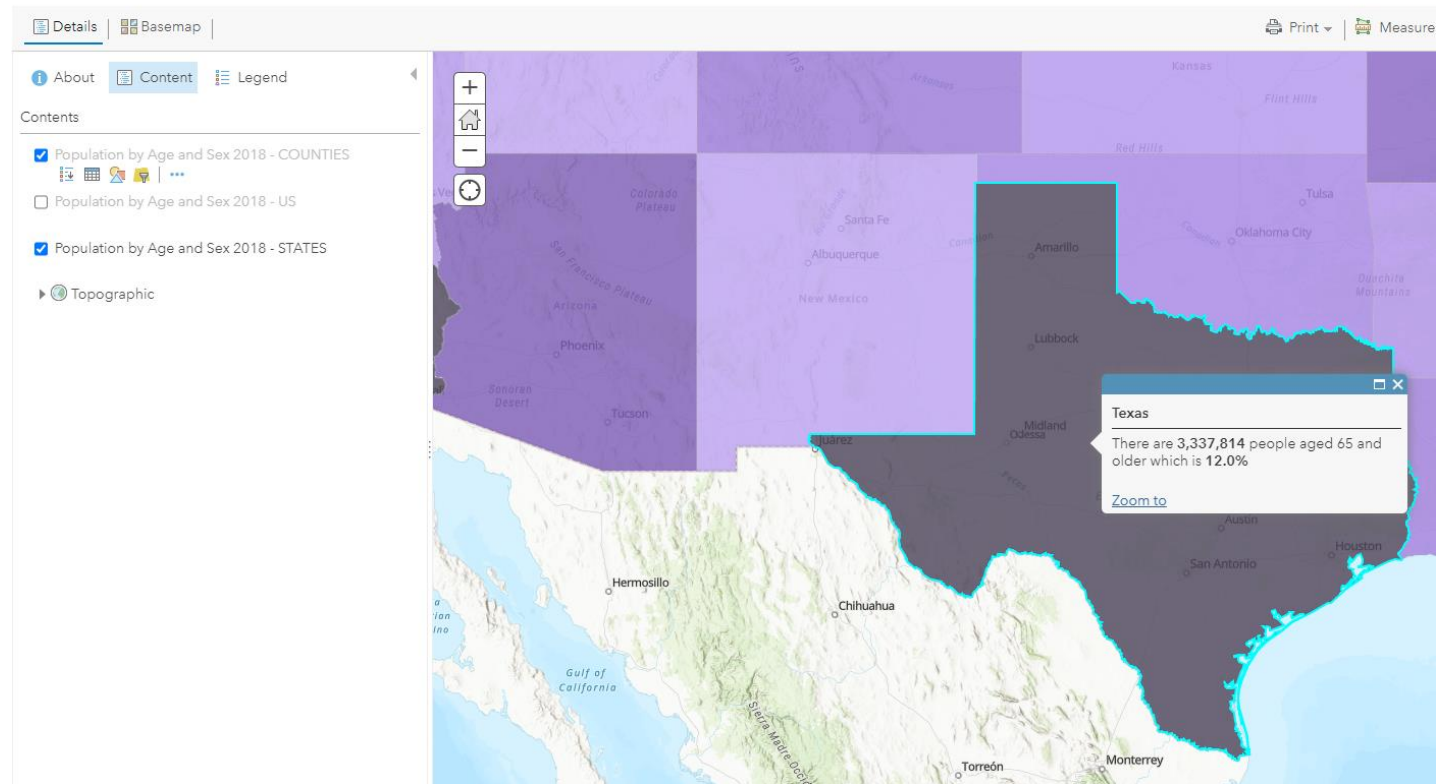
- Data on Employer Business from County Business Patterns 2018
- Data on Nonemployer Businesses (Self-Employed) from Nonemployer Statistics 2018
- Accommodations and Food Services (NAICS 72) 2017
- Percent of Households with Less Than \$75,000 of Income 2018
- Where are those aged 65 and older? 2018
- Where are the Uninsured?



Highlighted Datasets

- ACS People below Poverty
- ACS Household Income < \$75,000
- ACS Total Population Over 65
- Average Annual Payroll Employee (NAICS 00) 2018
- Average Annual Revenue per Non-Employer (NAICS 00) 2018
- Accommodation and Food Services (NAICS 72) 2017

ArcGIS Population by Age and Sex 2018



Additional Federal Agency and Other Datasets

- Provides links to 38 datasets from other federal agencies and private sector businesses that data users can merge with other Hub offerings in their own COVID products.



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the US Census Bureau COVID-19 Site, including the Census logo, the site name, and a link to FAQs. Below this is a section titled "Additional Federal Agency and Other Datasets" with a descriptive paragraph. At the bottom of the section is a grid of logos for various partner organizations.

Additional Federal Agency and Other Datasets

These additional datasets are provided to access relevant COVID-19 recovery data and analysis from public, non-profit, and private sector sources in partnership with FEMA and Argonne National Laboratory. For convenience, they are grouped into the categories of Business and Economics, Individuals and Households, and Government services. These datasets are only a subset of the many Federal and private sector COVID-19 data available.

Logos included in the grid:

- American Alliance of Museums
- Challenger, Gray & Christmas, Inc.
- SBA (U.S. Small Business Administration)
- USDA (United States Department of Agriculture)
- United States Census Bureau
- CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)
- BEA (Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce)
- EVICTION LAB
- OPPORTUNITY INSIGHTS
- Google
- BLS (Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor)
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- womply
- FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency)
- U.S. Department of Justice
- U.S. Department of the Treasury



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REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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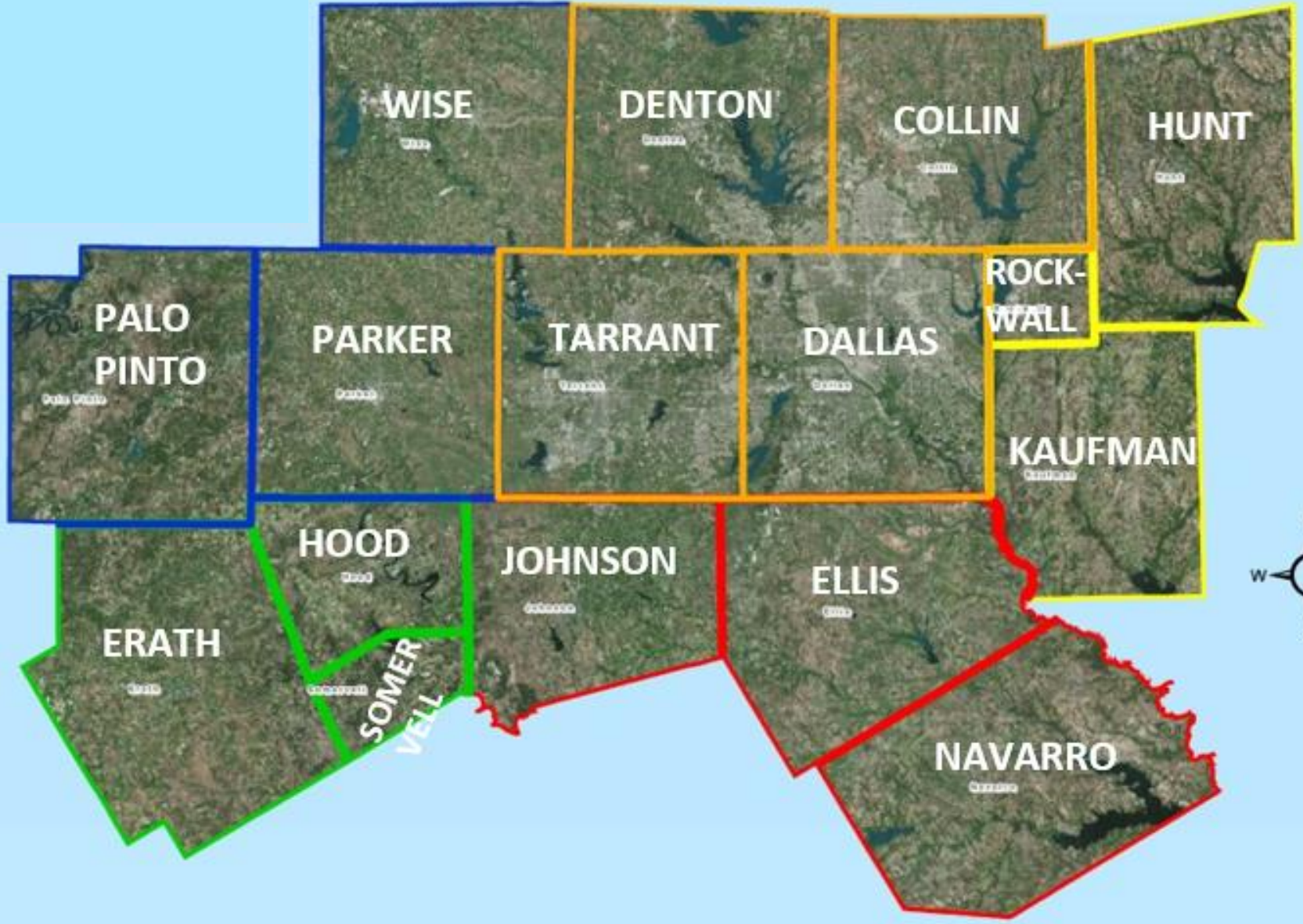
PRIT PATEL

North Central Texas Council of Government's Economic Development division is housed in the Executive Director's Office.

- **Lucille Johnson**
- **Prit Patel, 2020**

The North Central Economic Development District (NCTEDD) includes the 16 counties in the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) region: Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Erath, Hood, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Navarro, Palo Pinto, Parker, Rockwall, Somervell, Tarrant and Wise.

**NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
(NCTEDD)**



**NCTEDD
REGION
MAP**

NCTEDD HISTORY

ABOUT THE EDA

Designated as an Economic Development District

December 2016

By

The Department of Commerce: Economic Development
Administration (EDA)

- Economic Development Administration operates under U.S. Department of Commerce
- EDA's mission: To lead the federal economic development agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy.

NCTCOG REGION HISTORY: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (2016)

- Cities and counties to be eligible for EDA funding, North Central Texas **needed** to become an Economic Development District.
- NCTCOG was the only COG in the state of Texas that did not have District designation.
- As a result, this region missed out on funding over the years because an Economic Development District was not in place.



We began taking steps to become a district

How The Region Became an Economic Development District



STEP 1: ENGAGED AND WORKED WITH REGIONAL PARTNERS AND STAKEHOLDERS



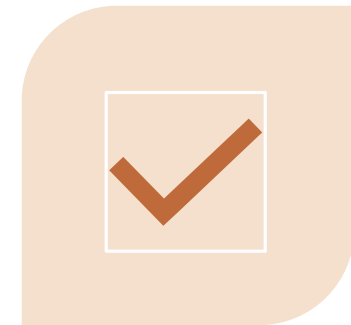
STEP 2: DEVELOPED A COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC STRATEGY (CEDs).



STEP 3: RECEIVED APPROVAL OF THE CEDs FROM THE GOVERNOR & EDA.



STEP 4: SECURED SUPPORT LETTERS FROM COUNTY JUDGES & THE GOVERNOR.



STEP 5: RECEIVED NCTCOG EXECUTIVE BOARD APPROVAL TO SUBMIT MATERIALS TO EDA SEEKING DISTRICT DESIGNATION.

APPROVED

Economic Development District (EDD)

- Managed within the North Central Texas Council of Governments: **Staff**
- District Board Oversees the Work of the District: **North Central Texas Economic Development District Board**
- District Board (up to 51 Members) nominated by member governments and county judges -- appointed by NCTCOG's Executive Board based on populations and Economic Development Interests in accordance with the District's Bylaws
- KEY → Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy: **CEDS**

WHAT'S IN IT FOR NORTH TEXAS?

- The CEDS and the EDD provide an opportunity to be part of a comprehensive approach to Economic Development in North Texas; providing a map for a better future.
- Members of the district gain greater access to federal Economic Development funds and funding opportunities.
- Opens doors to federal funding that the region did not have full

Almost \$20 million in funding

North Richland Hills	\$4.2M	Road Improvements for access to industrial area where N95 masks are manufactured
On the Road Lending	\$3.0M	Building construction improvements to operate a program to train underserved individuals for the workforce in smart car high tech jobs in demand
Prosper	\$3.0M	Lower Pressure Plane Pump Station - will be located at the Town of Prosper's existing Custer Road Pump Station site, and will directly serve the Town's lower pressure plane, which is located west of the BNSF railroad tracks. The new pump station will provide water for numerous new businesses including two new children's hospitals (Children's Health/Children's Hospital and Cook Children's Hospital), and a Home Depot.
Little Elm	\$1.4M	Public infrastructure components to a 34-acre privately-owned technology park called Retractable Technologies, Inc. They will be making the syringes for the COVID-19 vaccine.
Farmersville	\$2.9M	Installation of Broadband to support the City

EDA CARES ACT FUNDING AWARDS FOR NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS

UNT Health Science Center Sparkyard	\$450,000	Expand resources to help local entrepreneurs and business owners launch and grow their businesses. Sparkyard (www.sparkyard.co) is a free online resource that helps connect local entrepreneurs and small business owners to the right resources at the right time to successfully launch and grow their companies. Sparkyard is a "one-stop shop" for entrepreneurs to help them quickly and effectively navigate the complex and fragmented network of local resources. It is the only resource of its kind in our area
Fairview	\$3.0M	To construct a new four-lane divided highway, Frisco Road, south of its current location. The new road will extend from SH5 to SH121/Spur 399 with direct access to US 75 to the west. The project will also create a primary access to Medical Center Drive in support of a hospital expansion and a primary access to a mixed-use private development. The new Frisco Road will also connect to a four-way intersection at Highway 5 and FM1378 that will be upgraded concurrently by Texas Department of Transportation, if EDA funding is awarded.
Corsicana	\$1.25M	Installation of a Rail Switch in an Industrial Park

CEDS

Comprehensive
Economic
Development
Strategy

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy 2016

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Serving the NCTCOG Region Counties of Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Erath, Hood, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Navarro, Palo Pinto, Parker, Rockwall, Somervell, Tarrant and Wise.

**COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY**

FOR THE

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS REGION

APPROVED BY

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

MARCH 15, 2016

CEDS

- Regional document that serves as a guide for economic development for our region.
 - Mapping the future
- The current CEDS was approved in 2016 and is updated every five years.
 - **Currently updating**
- An approved CEDS provides an opportunity for communities and businesses in the region to be eligible to apply for federal funding assistance through the Economic Development Administration's (EDA) Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance programs.

PUBLIC WORKS FUNDED PROJECTS


- **Water and Sewer systems**
- **Industrial Access Roads**
- **Business Parks**
- **Port Facilities**
- **Rail Spurs**
- **Skill-training Facilities**
- **Business Incubator facilities**
- **Brownfield Redevelopment**
- **Eco-industrial Facilities**
- **Telecommunications and Broadband Infrastructure**

CEDS REQUIRED SECTIONS

- A. SUMMARY BACKGROUND:** A summary background of the economic development conditions of the region
- B. SWOT ANALYSIS:** An in-depth analysis of regional strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats
- C. STRATEGIC DIRECTION/ACTION PLAN:** Strategic direction and an action plan (flowing from the SWOT analysis), which should be consistent with other relevant state/regional/local plans
 - 1. Strategic Direction: Vision Statement and Goals/Objectives
 - 2. Action Plan: Implementation
- D. EVALUATION FRAMEWORK:** Performance measures used to evaluate the organization's implementation of the CEDS and its impact on the regional economy
- E. ECONOMIC RESILIENCE:**
 - 1. Planning for and Implementing Resilience
 - 2. Establishing Information Networks
 - 3. Pre-Disaster Recovery Planning
 - 4. Measuring Resilience

GOALS AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES (CURRENT)

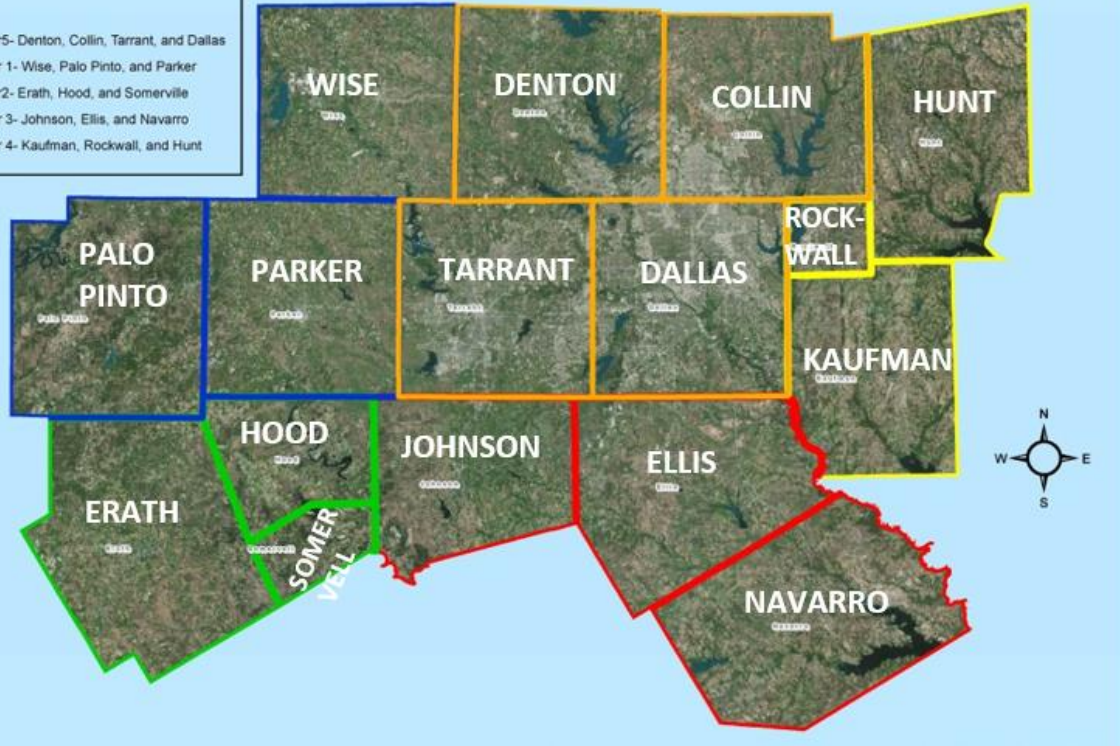
Develop	GOAL 1: Develop a globally competitive skilled workforce that encourages businesses to start, locate, and expand in the North Central Texas region.
Enhance	GOAL 2: Enhance the North Central Texas region's economic competitiveness.
Pursue	GOAL 3: Pursue opportunities and strategies that continue to make the North Central Texas region an entrepreneur-friendly region.
Explore and promote	GOAL 4: Explore and promote comprehensive planning solutions to ensure that regional transportation and public infrastructure meets the needs of employers and citizens.
Strengthen	GOAL 5: Strengthen the quality of life through comprehensive community development throughout the region.
Integrate	GOAL 6: Integrate emergency management efforts with economic development strategies in order to strengthen regional economic resiliency.

The background features several concentric circles of varying radii, some solid and some dashed, creating a sense of depth and movement. The text is centered within the innermost solid circle.

CEDS UPDATE
2021

Comprehensive Economic Development- Cluster Overview

- Legend**
- Cluster5- Denton, Collin, Tarrant, and Dallas
 - Cluster 1- Wise, Palo Pinto, and Parker
 - Cluster2- Erath, Hood, and Somerville
 - Cluster 3- Johnson, Ellis, and Navarro
 - Cluster 4- Kaufman, Rockwall, and Hunt



**REGIONAL CEDS COMMITTEE:
CEDS CLUSTERS
(2016)
(Update)**

CLUSTER 1
Palo Pinto
Parker
Wise

CLUSTER 2
Erath
Hood
Somervell

CLUSTER 3
Ellis
Johnson
Navarro

CLUSTER 4
Hunt
Kaufman
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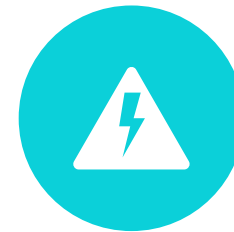
CLUSTER 5
Collin
Dallas
Denton
Tarrant

CLUSTER 6
University-Education

- SWOT Analysis (Strengths, Weakness, Opportunities, Threats)
 - CEDS Committee will rank the priorities in the document and outline performance measures of the CEDS
- Cluster Industry Ranking
- **Resiliency**



**ABILITY TO
RECOVER QUICKLY
FROM A SHOCK**



**ABILITY TO
WITHSTAND A
SHOCK**



**ABILITY TO AVOID A
SHOCK
ALTOGETHER**

UPDATED CEDS

- Goal is to complete the updated CEDS by the end of 2021
 - Allows region to maintain our Economic Development District designation
 - Allows region to apply for various federal grants funds
 - Provides a roadmap and guidance on region economic development for the next five years

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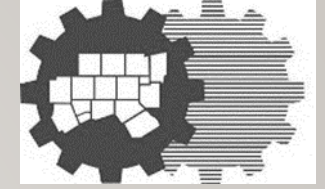
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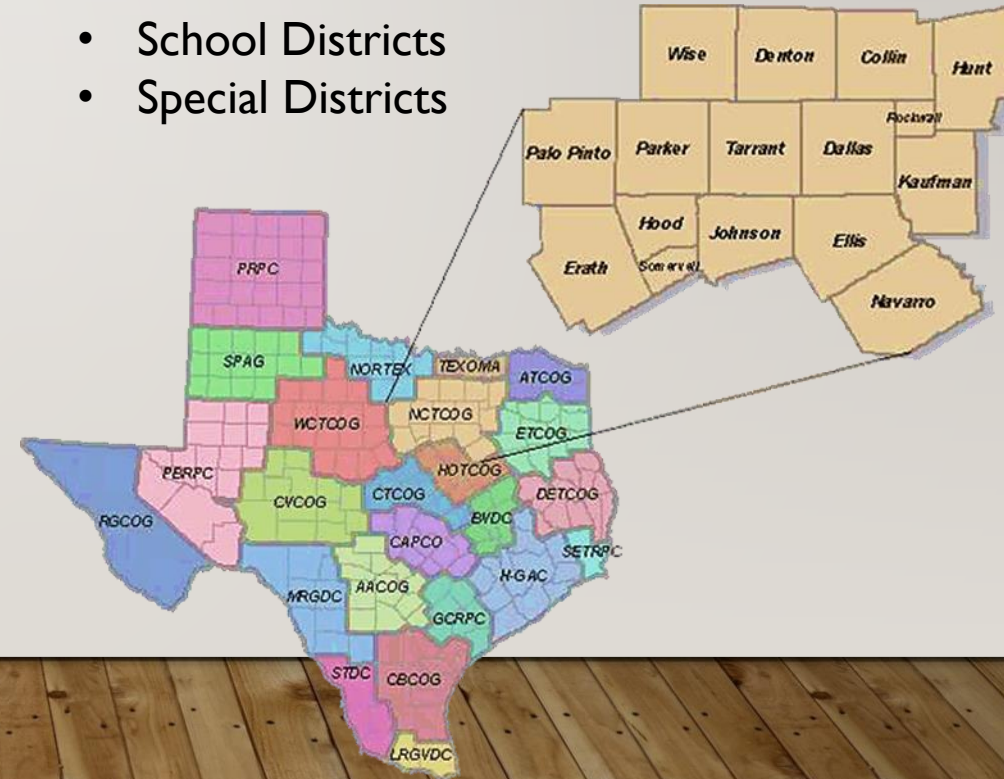


Voluntary association of, by, and for local governments, established in 1966, to help them:

- Plan for common needs
- Strengthen their individual and collective power
- Recognize regional opportunities
- Resolve regional problems
- Make joint decisions/cooperate for mutual benefit

230+ Member Governments

- Cities
- Counties
- School Districts
- Special Districts



PUBLIC WORKS COUNCIL

- Leads the Public Works Program initiatives
- Representatives from across the region
 - 21 standing seats
 - 16 subregion seats
 - 5 private sector seats
- <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/committees/public-works-council>



SUSTAINABLE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY SUBCOMMITTEE (SPROW)

- Best Management Practices Guidebook
 - Landscape Planning & Vegetation Management (Trees, Irrigation Methods, Maintenance, Vulnerability, etc.)
 - Utilities (Coexisting Types, Franchises, Documentation, Coordinated Needs, etc.)
 - Complete Streets Planning
 - Green Infrastructure and Low Impact Development
 - ROW Planning, Administration, and Policy (Fees, Ordinances, Incentives, and Coordination)
- <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/committees/public-works-council/sustainable-public-rights-of-way-subcommittee>



Sustainable Public
Rights of Way

INTEGRATED STORMWATER MANAGEMENT (ISWM)

Design Manual for Site Development and Design Manual for Construction are cooperative initiatives that assist cities and counties to achieve their goals of:

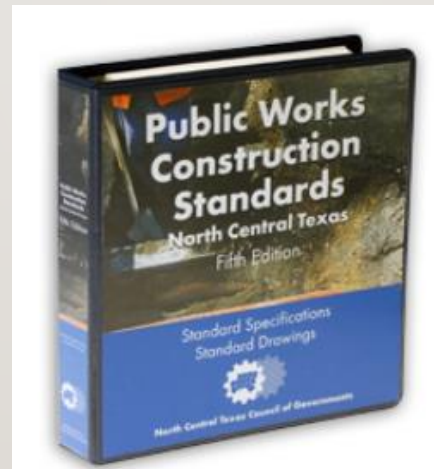
- water quality protection
- streambank protection
- and flood control
- meet their construction and post-construction obligations under state storm water permits

<http://iswm.nctcog.org/>



PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

- Public Works Construction Standards 5th Edition released in 2017
 - Drawings updated by the Standard Drawings Subcommittee
 - <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/public-works/construction-standards>



PUBLIC WORKS TRAINING

- Public Works Roundup
 - TBD
 - <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/public-works/annual-public-works-roundup>
- Other trainings: New Inspector's Workshop, Construction Contracts Workshop
- Training Calendar: <https://www.nctcog.org/envir/public-works/training-calendar>



Public Works
Training Calendar

Learn More

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

NCTCOG provides Technical Assistance for TxCDBG program as part of the NCTCOG's Community Development Program.

General Technical Assistance

- Provide general assistance to communities
- Cannot help with specific projects or project applications
- Answer community questions
- Stay updated on TxCDBG guidelines
- Dissemination of Program Information
 - Forward information to eligible communities on upcoming meetings, hearings, workshops, etc.
- HUD Section 3 Registry
 - Provide an opportunity for businesses or individuals to register for Section 3 employment or contracts opportunities
 - The Section 3 program requires that recipients of certain HUD financial assistance provide economic opportunities to low- and very low-income persons

NCTCOG'S ROLE FOR THE FY2021-2022 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND GRANT

- NCTCOG is a contractor to the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) and supports activities associated with the TxCDBG Community Development Fund (CDF) Grant.
- NCTCOG provides technical assistance to our eligible member governments in the 16-county North Central Texas region related to the Community Development Fund.
- TDA released new rules for the Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) on February 24, 2020.
- These new rules have modified NCTCOG's role slightly and has changed the process of determining project priorities and scoring.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (CD) FUND RULE CHANGE

- February 24, 2020 TDA released new rules for the CD Fund.
- Projects are awarded based on a score out of 200 points.

Previously

- 10% of score from the State
 - Performance from previous contracts
- 90% of score from the Regional Review Committee (RRC)
 - Scoring Criteria
 - Prioritize Projects

Now

- 10% of score from the State
- 25% of score from the regional prioritized projects
- 65% of score from the United Scoring Committee (USC)
 - Scoring criteria

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (CD) FUND RULE CHANGE CONTINUED

Regional prioritized project types

- NCTCOG coordinated with regional stakeholders to prioritize projects types for the North Central Texas region April 14th through a teleconference.
- There was a public meeting on May 19, 2020 at 1:30pm through WebEx

Priorities	Project Types	Points (out of 50)
1 st	Water/Wastewater; Septic Tanks; Water/Wastewater Yard Lines; Roads/Streets; Drainage	45
2 nd	All Other Eligible Project Types	15

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

- The Community Development Fund is the largest fund category in the TxCDBG Program.
- This fund is available on a biennial basis for funding through a competition.
- Although most funds are used for Public Facilities (water/wastewater infrastructure, street and drainage improvements and housing activities), there are numerous other activities for which these funds may be used.
- Funds are allocated to each state planning region to ensure a broad geographic distribution of funds as described in the One Year Action Plan.
- Applications for the 2021-2022 Community Development Fund are due May 3, 2021

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION/ MAIN STREET PROGRAM (DT/MSP)

- The objective is to provide infrastructure improvements to address the conditions that contribute to the deterioration in an area designated as slum or blighted in the applicant community's downtown or main street area.
- All proposed infrastructure improvements to be funded by the Downtown Revitalization TxCDBG Program must be located on public property within the designated downtown district. Typically, a downtown district will meet 2 or more of the following:
 - 1) The city's historic area of commerce
 - 2) May be the area around the courthouse or city square;
 - 3) Commercial area for the community
 - 4) Buildings of historical significance, but not primarily residential
 - 5) Must be areas included in or contiguous to the economic center of the community; and
 - 6) The retail area for the community that does not include single-family dwellings.
- Eligible Main Street Revitalization applicants must be an incorporated municipality with a designation as an official Texas Historical Commission Main Street City prior to applying.
 - Here is a link to become a Main Street City: <https://www.thc.texas.gov/becoming-main-street-community>

FIRE, AMBULANCE, SERVICE TRUCK (FAST) FUND

- Provides funds for eligible vehicles to provide emergency response and special services to rural communities.
- Funding is based on the following criteria:
 1. Poverty Rate
 2. Previous Funding
 3. Past Performance
- Application Minimum:
 - Single Jurisdiction: \$50,000
 - Multi-jurisdiction: \$50,000
- Application Maximum:
 - Single Jurisdiction: \$500,000
 - Multi-jurisdiction: \$500,000

PLANNING AND CAPACITY BUILDING (PCB)

- PCB is a competitive grant program for local public facility and housing planning activities. Localities apply for financial assistance to prepare a “comprehensive plan” or any of its components.
- Eligible Activities Include:
 1. Address needed local planning elements;
 2. Assess local needs;
 3. Build or improve local capacity; or
 4. Develop strategies to address local needs.
- Planning process should result in an improved local capacity to identify long and short term needs and to develop implementable strategies to address the identified community needs. Emphasis is placed on public works and housing assistance planning.

QUESTIONS?



THANK YOU!

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