



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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Texas Community Development Block Grant Program
2025 Regional Stakeholder Consultation



TxCDBG– Providing Suitable Living Environments in Rural Areas





TxCDBG – Opportunity for Every Community

“Entitlement” areas -
Higher
Population
Densities - e.g.
Houston,
Dallas. (more
“urban” areas)



“Non-Entitlement” areas
(more “rural” areas)

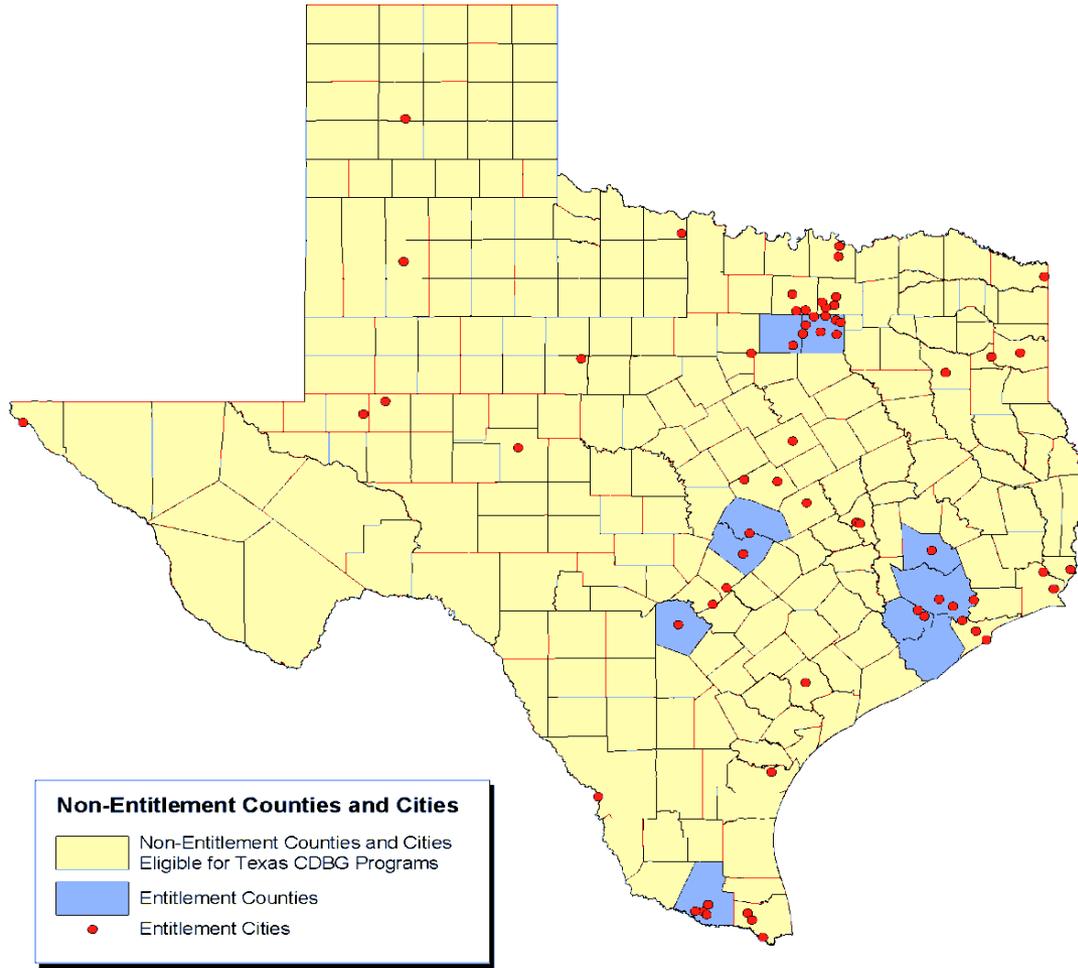
Counties < 200,000
Cities < 50,000

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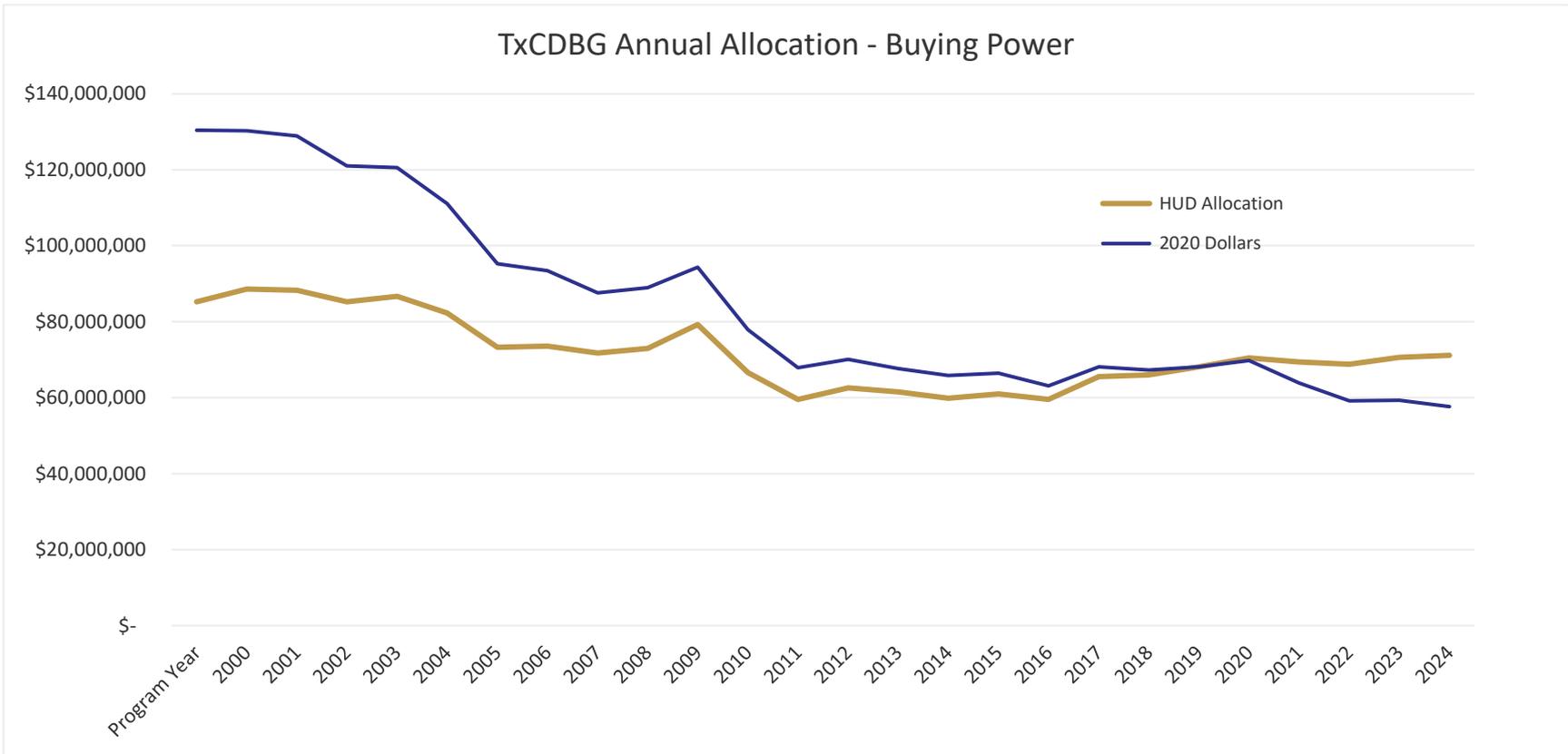
TxCDBG Non-Entitlement Cities and Counties



The following counties are designated as entitlement counties: **Bexar, Brazoria, Dallas, Fort Bend, Harris, Hidalgo, Montgomery, Tarrant, Travis and Williamson.**



TxCDBG Allocation to Texas



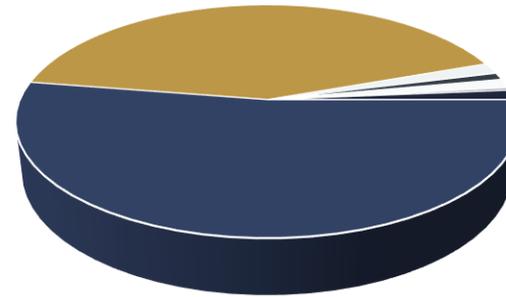


TxCDBG 2025 Summary

\$71 million

- Community Development Fund
 - 396 applications
 - 78 to be awarded
- Colonia Fund – Construction
 - 15 applications
 - 9 to be awarded
- Downtown Revitalization Program
 - 85 applications
 - 11 to be awarded
 - 6 Traditional, 5 Non-Traditional

2025 Community Development Fund Awards



- 03J Water/Sewer
- 03K Streets
- 03I Drainage
- 03L Sidewalks
- 03F Parks



TxCDBG Programs

New Program Requirements



TxCDBG – HUD Clearance for Grant Awards

Construction of Water and Sewer Facilities.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this agreement, the Recipient may not obligate or expend award funds to plan or construct water or sewer facilities, including any new or revised activities, until after

- 1) it completes the review procedures required under Executive Order 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs, and 24 C.F.R. part 52 and
- 2) HUD provides written notice of the release of funds.



TxCDBG – New Certifications

33. Grant Recipient certifies that is will not use grant funds to promote “gender ideology,” as defined in Executive Order (E.O.) 14168, Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government.

34. Grant Recipient certifies that it will not use any grant funds to fund or promote elective abortions, as required by E.O. 14182, Enforcing the Hyde Amendment.

35. Grant Recipient certifies that it will not use any grant funds in a manner that by design or effect facilitates the subsidization or promotion of illegal immigration or shields illegal aliens from deportation, including by maintaining policies or practices that materially impede enforcement of federal immigration statutes and regulations.



- **Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity**

Reconciliation Act of 1996

- Sets limits on who may benefit from federal assistance, including a prohibition on assistance for persons who are not citizens or “qualified aliens”.
- 2025 Attorney General Order: all exceptions not in statute have been withdrawn



TxCDBG – PRWORA

- **Exempt by Statute:**
 - Emergency Medical Care
 - Emergency Disaster Relief activities
 - Public Health assistance
- **Not Subject To (per 2025 AG Order):**
 - Sanitation
 - Transportation
 - Fire Protection
- **Presumed Not Subject To (per court precedent)**
 - Benefits provided to **public entities**, not ultimately delivered to an individual, household, or family unit (i.e. area benefit activities)



TxCDBG – PRWORA

- **Subject To Verification Requirements:**
 - Benefits provided to an individual, household, or family unit
 - Verify eligibility via SAVE system



TxCDBG Programs

Future Funding



TxCDBG 2026 One Year Action Plan

2026 Allocations by Fund Category

	Percent	2026 Estimate
Community Development Fund, including Planning Activities	72.4%	\$50.65 M
Rural Economic Development: Downtown Revitalization	12.0%	\$8.4 M
Colonia Fund:		
Colonia Construction Fund	6.5%	\$4.55 M
Colonia EDAP Fund	3.5%	\$2.45 M
Colonia Self-Help Centers Fund	2.5%	\$1.75 M
State Urgent Need Fund	0.0%	\$0
Utility U - Job Training Pilot	0.0%	\$0

(estimates prior to Congressional appropriation)



TxCDBG – National Program Objectives

- **Benefit to Low- to Moderate-Income Persons**
- **Elimination of Slum and Blighted Conditions**
- **Urgent Need (Disaster Relief)**

[TxCDBG Guide to Meeting a National Program Objective](#)



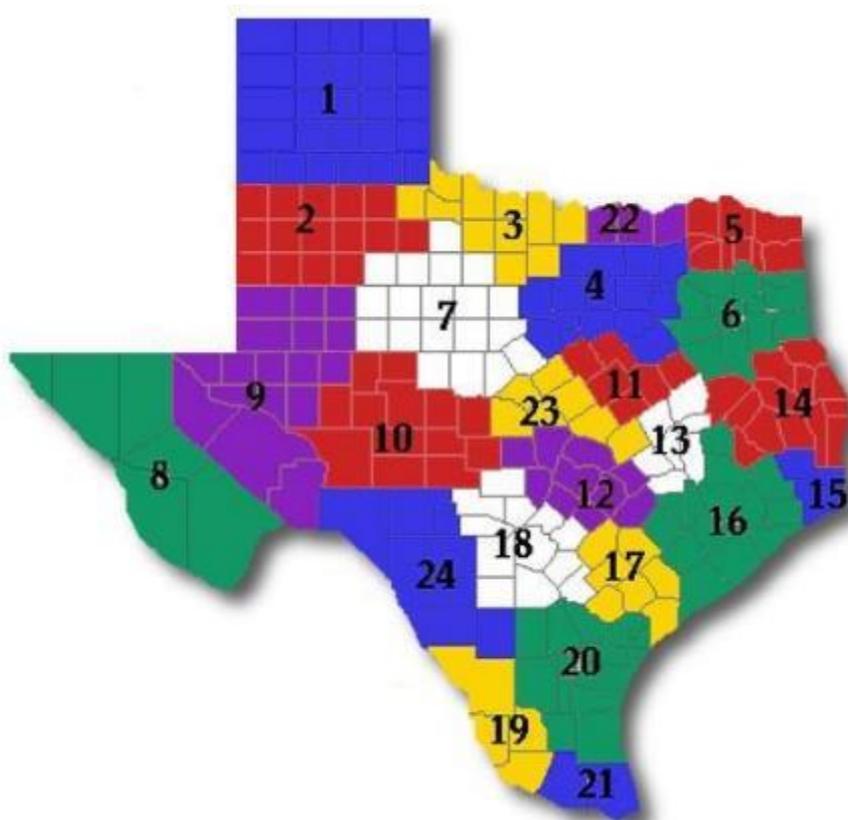
Community Development Fund

- Primary competitive grant opportunity for most communities
- Biennial competition
- Common activities:
 - Water/sewer improvements
 - Street reconstruction
 - Drainage improvements
 - Community center / other facility
 - Community / system planning



Community Development Fund

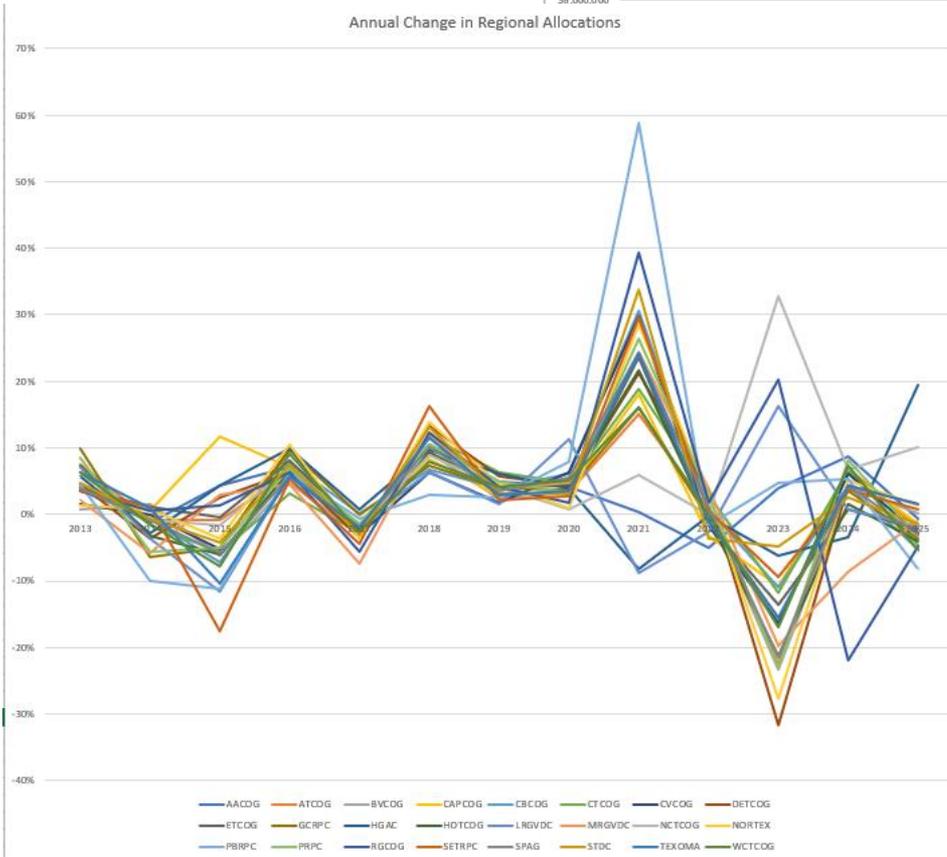
- Funds are allocated to 24 regions – Texas state planning / Council of Government regions – to ensure access to funding across the state.



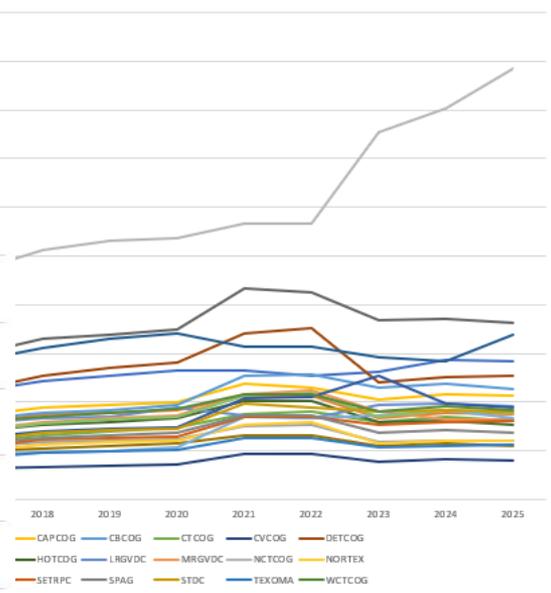


Community Development Fund – Allocation Formula

Annual Change in Regional Allocations



Regional Allocations 2013-2025



- AACOG
- ATCOG
- BVCOG
- CAPCOG
- CBCOG
- CT COG
- CVCOG
- DETCOG
- ETCOG
- GCRPC
- HGAC
- HOTCOG
- LRGVDC
- MRGVDC
- NCTCOG
- NORTEX
- PBPRC
- PRPC
- RGCDG
- SETRPC
- SPAG
- STDC
- TEXOMA
- WCTCOG



Community Development Fund – Current Allocation Formula (2006)

Factor	Weight		
	CD	HUD A	HUD B
Total Population	30%	25%	20%
Poverty – Number of Persons	25%	50%	30%
Poverty – Percent of Persons	25%		
Unemployment – Number of Person	10%		
Unemployment – Percent of Persons	10%		
Housing – Overcrowding		25%	
Housing – Age			50%

[TxCDBG Regional Allocation Formula Revision Tool.xlsx](#)



Rural Economic Development – Downtown Revitalization Program

- Removal and prevention of slum & blighted conditions
- Annual application cycle
- Focus on pedestrian-driven economic development in small and rural communities
- Common activities:
 - Sidewalk rehabilitation
 - accessible downtown areas
 - other related infrastructure





State Urgent Need Fund

- State Declarations – TxCDBG is generally the only source of disaster relief assistance for eligible counties & cities.
- Repair / restoration / improvement of damaged infrastructure
- Priority Activities:
 - Safe drinking water
 - Debris removal

For questions or comments:

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