AGENDA
ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
October 29, 2026

The Executive Committee of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) will meet at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, October 29, 2026, at the Pilgrim's Community Center, 820 West Pecan Street, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, and via videoconference.

If attending via Zoom, use the following link to register for the meeting:
https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/jFx1H3gHR0-QZht-QB27hg

If you experience issues while registering, please contact Marla Matthews no less than two (2) workdays prior to the meeting at 903.255.3555 or mmatthews@atcog.org.

1. Call to order – Quorum Determination.

2. Invocation.

3. Public Comment.

   ATCOG invites members of the public to provide oral comments on any item included on this agenda under this item. Each person wishing to make a public comment shall be limited to 3 minutes, with comments directed to the Board as a whole. Reasonable accommodation shall be made for members of the public utilizing a translator for public comment.

4. Review and consider consent agenda items.

   - Approval of the minutes as submitted for the ATCOG Executive Committee meeting held Thursday, September 24, 2026. (See page 3)

   - Ratification of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between ATCOG and the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office. (See addendum page 1)

5. Executive Director Report (For information only, see page 7; to be presented by Executive Director Mary Beth Rudel)

   - Indirect Finance Quarterly Report
   - Quarterly Program Reports

6. Review and consider approval of the submission of a grant application to the Martha, David, and Bagby Lennox Foundation. (See page 23; to be presented by Executive Director Mary Beth Rudel)

7. Review and consider approval of the submission of a grant application to the St. Joseph Community Foundation. (See page 25; to be presented by Executive Director Mary Beth Rudel)

8. Review and consider approval of the ATCOG 2027 Fair Market Rent (FMR) Payment Standards (PS) for the Housing Choice Voucher Program. (See page 27; to be presented by staff member Daneshia Cherry)

9. Review and consider approval of an interlocal agreement with the City of Nash for the submission of a grant application to the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). (See page 31; to be presented by staff member Toni Lindsey)

10. Computerized Criminal History System Update. (See page 33; to be presented by staff member Patricia Haley)

Announcements

The next Joint NETEDD and ATCOG Board of Directors meeting will be held on Thursday, December 10, 2026, at the Pilgrim's Community Center, 820 West Pecan Street, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, and via videoconference.

Pursuant to the Texas Open Meeting Act, Government Code Chapter 551 one or more of the above items may be considered in an executive session closed to the public, including but not limited to consultation with an attorney pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and Section 551.074 arising out of the attorney's ethical duty to advise ATCOG concerning legal issues arising from an agenda item. Any decision held on such a matter will be taken or conducted in an open session following the conclusion of the executive session.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact the Administration at 903-832-8636, two (2) workdays prior to the meeting, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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MINUTES
ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
September 24, 2026

The Executive Committee of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) met at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, September 24, 2026, at the Pilgrim's Community Center, 820 West Pecan Street, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, and via videoconference.

1. Scott Norton, Executive Director/CEO, TexAmericas Center, called the meeting to order.

2. Doug Reeder, Judge, Morris County, gave the invocation.

3. Public Comment.

   No members of the public made comments.

4. The next order of business was to review and approve the consent agenda items.

   - Approval of the minutes as submitted for the ATCOG Executive Committee Meeting held Thursday, April 30, 2026.

   - Acceptance of the minutes as submitted for the ATCOG Area Agency on Aging Regional Advisory Council meeting held Thursday, September 3, 2026.

   Motion to approve was made by Scott Lee, Judge, Franklin County, and seconded by Judge Reeder. It was approved.

5. Ms. Leslie McBride, Deputy Director, presented for review and approval of the utilization of ATCOG's indirect cost rate for ATCOG employees working on behalf of the Texarkana Urban Transit District (TUTD).

   In accordance with requirements set by the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT), the ATCOG Board is required to grant the Texarkana Urban Transit District authorization to utilize ATCOG's Certificate of Indirect Cost rate.

   "TUTD is "piggybacking" off ATCOG's rate because ATCOG has signed a contract with TUTD to provide service; therefore, ATCOG's board should give TUTD permission to charge an indirect cost rate. ATCOG gets their indirect cost rate from their cognizant agency, so TUTD cannot charge more than ATCOG is allowed. ATCOG needs to provide TUTD a Certificate of Indirect Cost approval letter that states that the board has given TUTD authority to use ##% indirect cost for the period of ____ to ____ and must be signed by the President."

   ATCOG has developed an Indirect Cost Proposal (ICP) following 2 CRF 200, Appendix VII D.1.b and certified to the validity of the Indirect Cost Proposal/Cost Allocation Plan in accordance with 2 C.F.R. Part 200. The indirect cost rate for Oct. 1, 2026 – Sept. 30, 2027, is 21.36%.

   Ms. Rudel reported that ATCOG received the indirect cost rate and benefits rate from Texas Health and Human Services. These rates, which were included in the FY2027 Financial Plan submitted to and approved by the ATCOG Board in August, align with the indirect cost rates established by Texas Health and Human Services.

   Motion to approve was made by Judge Lee and seconded by Brandon Bell, Judge, Lamar County. It was approved.

6. Ms. Debbie Purifoy presented for review and approval of an interlocal agreement with Purchasing Solutions Alliance (PSA).

   Texas Government Code 791, Interlocal Cooperation Contracts, allows for local governments, which includes Councils of Governments, to contract with one another and with agencies of the state to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of local governments.

   ATCOG would like to enter into an interlocal agreement with Purchasing Solutions Alliance (PSA). The Purchasing Solutions Alliance (PSA) Program is to improve procurement process efficiency and help participating local governments, non-profits, and other political subdivisions achieve best value.

   Motion to approve was made by Judge Lee and seconded by Judge Reeder. It was approved.

7. Ms. Rea Allen presented for review and approval of a contract with OnShore IT.

   ATCOG utilized the Purchasing Solutions Alliance (PSA) to obtain a quote from OnShore IT for the following:

   Provide full end-to-end comprehensive network and security managed services with a 24/7/365 four-hour response Service Level Agreement (SLA), including network engineering support and troubleshooting, performance tuning and capacity planning, centralized Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting (AAA)/Virtual Private Network (VPN) access controls with Multifactor Authentication (MFA) and usage tracking, proactive patch management and emergency security updates, incident and problem management, ongoing reporting and analysis, hardware inventory management, support contract management for network firewalls, routers, and switches, and advanced automation.

   The total regional network provisioning contract provides five years of support at $53,040 per year, totaling $265,200, plus a one-time setup fee of $5,500, for an estimated total of $270,700.

   Motion to approve was made by Judge Lee and seconded by Judge Bell. It was approved.

8. Ms. Mary Beth Rudel, Executive Director, presented for review and approval to reschedule the ATCOG Executive Committee meeting on February 25, 2027, to an alternate date.

   The Northeast Texas Legislative Summit is set for Wednesday, February 25, 2027. This conflicts with the scheduled ATCOG Executive Committee meeting. After discussion, the committee recommended moving the Executive Committee meeting to Thursday, March 4, 2027.

   Motion to approve was made by Judge Reeder and seconded by Judge Lee. It was approved.

9. Mr. Nathan Carroll, District Coordinator 5 of Region 3, of the Texas Division of Emergency Management, provided a presentation regarding emergency management within the State of Texas and the ATCOG region.

10. Following the announcements, Scott Norton called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion to adjourn was made by Judge Reeder and seconded by Judge Lee. It was approved. Meeting adjourned.

Announcements

Ms. Rudel announced the Workforce CEO meeting to be held immediately following their meeting. All Judges were asked to reconvene at the front of the room or remain on Zoom. All others may move to the hallway or exit the Zoom meeting.

Ms. Rudel announced that the next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, October 29, 2026, at the Pilgrim's Community Center, 820 West Pecan Street, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, and via videoconference.

ATCOG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT
Scott Norton, Executive Director/CEO, TexAmericas Center
Scott Lee, Judge, Franklin County
Brandon Bell, Judge, Lamar County
Tanner Crutcher, Judge, Delta County
Robert Newsom, Judge, Hopkins County
Doug Reeder, Judge, Morris County

ATCOG BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Brad Cecil, Executive Director, Northeast Texas Regional Advisory Council
Juan Duenez, Board of Trustees, Mt. Pleasant Independent School District
Becky Fellers, Board of Trustees, Liberty Eylau Independent School District
Wesley Lyon, Mayor, City of Mt. Pleasant
Dana Reeves, General Manager, Franklin County Water District

GUESTS PRESENT
Nathan Carroll, Texas Department of Emergency Management
April Corbit, Workforce Solutions Northeast Texas
Seth Cox, Commissioner, Delta County & NETEDD Board Member
Claribel Banda, Mt. Pleasant Economic Development Corporation
Matt Holloway, Texas Department of Emergency Management
Janeth Moreno, Mt. Pleasant Economic Development Corporation
Tiffany Pate, Texas Department of Emergency Management
Bart Spivey, Workforce Solutions Northeast Texas
Robert Vine, City Manager, City of Mt. Pleasant
Ray Wilson, Office of Senator Bryan Hughes

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT
Mary Beth Rudel, Executive Director
Leslie McBride, Deputy Director
Daneshia Cherry, Housing Director
Whitney Fezell, Homeland Security Coordinator
Patricia Haley, Criminal Justice Coordinator
Toni Lindsey, Regional Development Coordinator
Marla Matthews, Executive Assistant
Paul Prange, Environmental Resources Coordinator
Debbie Purifoy, Compliance and Purchasing Officer

Doug Reeder, President
Board of Directors
Ark-Tex Council of Governments

ATTEST:

Board of Directors
Ark-Tex Council of Governments

ARK TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
DIRECTORS REPORT

09.30.2026

Fiscal year thru period ending 09.30.2026

0010 - Executive

Description		Quarter 4	Ytd encumbrance	Annual budget	Annual variance	% used
50110	SALARIES	86,875.02	369,130.43	371,978.00	(2,847.57)	0.99
50210	BENEFITS	44,626.48	193,730.80	194,917.00	(1,186.20)	0.99
50310	STAFF TRAVEL	4,732.49	13,414.01	11,000.00	2,414.01	1.22
50319	TRAINING	464.80	6,584.11	4,000.00	2,584.11	1.65
50410	RENT/SPACE	3,722.69	10,276.27	20,553.00	(10,276.73)	0.50
50420	TELEPHONE	1,318.56	5,480.07	7,115.00	(1,634.93)	0.77
50422	CELL PHONE	349.96	1,171.23	1,421.00	(249.77)	0.82
50430	POSTAGE	4.19	791.61	-	791.61	-
50440	COPIER	220.23	1,021.87	2,164.00	(1,142.13)	0.47
50510	OTHER INDIRECT	2,000.00	3,380.00	-	3,380.00	-
50511	OFFICE SUPPLIES	295.71	3,669.93	6,000.00	(2,330.07)	0.61
50512	REPRODUCTION & PRINTING	-	1,731.00	250.00	1,481.00	6.92
50514	PERIODICALS	-	-	500.00	(500.00)	-
50515	MEMBERSHIP DUES	100.00	7,695.40	1,500.00	6,195.40	5.13
50612	COMPUTER SOFTWARE	2,017.35	6,016.55	2,500.00	3,516.55	2.41
Total EXPENSE		**146,727.48**	**624,093.28**	**623,898.00**	**195.28**	**1.00**

ARK TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
DIRECTORS REPORT

09.30.2026

Fiscal year thru period ending 09.30.2026

0020 - Administrative

Description		Quarter 4	Ytd encumbrance	Annual budget	Annual variance	% used
50110	SALARIES	46,568.82	186,330.21	185,887.00	443.21	1.00
50210	BENEFITS	20,875.22	87,046.92	97,405.00	(10,358.08)	0.89
50310	STAFF TRAVEL	360.94	1,772.29	2,500.00	(727.71)	0.71
50312	REGISTRATION		406.60	4,000.00	(3,593.40)	0.10
50410	RENT/SPACE	6,924.29	23,263.98	10,271.00	12,992.98	2.27
50420	TELEPHONE	714.30	2,822.84	3,556.00	(733.16)	0.79
50422	CELL PHONE	498.03	1,167.81	474.00	693.81	2.46
50430	POSTAGE		39.34	250.00	(210.66)	0.16
50440	COPIER	68.71	174.50	1,081.00	(906.50)	0.16
50510	OTHER INDIRECT		-	5,000.00	(5,000.00)	-
50511	OFFICE SUPPLIES	470.73	3,006.48	2,000.00	1,006.48	1.50
50512	PERIODICALS & PUBLICATIONS		-	500.00	(500.00)	-
50515	MEMBERSHIP DUES		798.90	500.00	298.90	1.60
50522	INSURANCE/BONDING		4,644.00	-	4,644.00	-
50612	SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	1,758.13	6,538.82	3,500.00	3,038.82	1.87
50531	Contract - DRUG TESTING	753.00	3,178.00	800.00	2,378.00	3.97
50540	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	56.50	741.20	2,500.00	(1,758.80)	0.30
Total EXPENSE		**79,048.67**	**321,931.89**	**320,224.00**	**1,707.89**	**1.01**

ARK TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
DIRECTORS REPORT

09.30.2026

Fiscal year thru period ending 09.30.2026

0030 - Board

Description		Quarter 4	Ytd encumbrance	Annual budget	Annual variance	% used
50310	BOARD TRAVEL	1,825.53	14,417.87	5,000.00	9,417.87	2.88
50312	BOARD REGISTRATION	-	1,150.00	4,500.00	(3,350.00)	0.26
50510	OTHER INDIRECT	-	-	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	-
Total EXPENSE		**1,825.53**	**15,567.87**	**11,500.00**	**4,067.87**	**1.35**

ARK TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
DIRECTORS REPORT

09.30.2026

Fiscal year thru period ending 09.30.2026

0040 - Finance

Description		Quarter 4	Ytd encumbrance	Annual budget	Annual variance	% used	
50110	SALARIES	41,273.60	200,066.24	213,142.00	(13,075.76)	0.94	
50210	BENEFITS	17,519.30	83,282.64	111,687.00	(28,404.36)	0.75	
50310	TRAVEL	344.07	1,756.91	2,500.00	(743.09)	0.70	
50312	REGISTRATION/TRAINING		250.00	3,500.00	(3,250.00)	0.07	
50410	RENT/SPACE	1,761.74	5,362.42	11,777.00	(6,414.58)	0.46	
50420	TELEPHONE	630.33	2,991.32	4,077.00	(1,085.68)	0.73	
50422	CELL PHONE	334.98	1,348.26	474.00	874.26	2.84	
50430	POSTAGE	336.52	1,508.72	3,500.00	(1,991.28)	0.43	
50440	COPIER	1.78	22.03	1,240.00	(1,217.97)	0.02	
50510	OTHER INDIRECT		460.88	3,000.00	(2,539.12)	0.15	
50511	OFFICE SUPPLIES		806.52	5,000.00	(4,193.48)	0.16	
50515	MEMBERSHIP DUES		1,246.40	500.00	746.40	2.49	
50520	AUDIT & ACCOUNTING	6,775.00	43,775.00	35,000.00	8,775.00	1.25	
50522	INSURANCE & BONDING		19,840.46	25,000.00	(5,159.54)	0.79	
50524	BANKING SERVICES		-	1,500.00	(1,500.00)	-	
50540	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	11,700.00	11,700.00	-	11,700.00	#DIV/0!	
50612	COMPUTER SOFTWARE	397.28	32,322.86	40,000.00	(7,677.14)	0.81	
Total EXPENSE		**81,074.60**	**406,740.66**	**461,897.00**	**(55,156.34)**	**0.88**	-

Criminal Justice Grant Report

FY2026 JAG Projects						
Grantee	**Project Title**	**Grant Number**	**Grant Status**	**Current Award**	**Expended**	**Project Period**
Cass County	Body Armor Purchase Compliance	5449701	Grant-Closed	$27,960.00	$27,960.00	10/1/2025-9/30/2026
Chapel Hill ISD	Emergency Communications	5340001	Grant-Pending Closeout	$14,963.12	$14,244.56	10/1/2025-9/30/2026
City of Daingerfield	Save a Life	5321301	Grant-Closed	$17,367.28	$17,367.28	10/1/2025-9/30/2026
City of Mt. Vernon	Patrol/CID Desktop Computer	5457801	Grant-Pending Closeout	$13,488.00	$13,488.00	10/1/2025-9/30/2026
City of Omaha	Traffic Safety	5360201	Grant-Closed	$8,389.00	$8,389.00	10/1/2025-9/30/2026
Delta County	Mobile Radio Grant	5455501	Grant-Closed	$33,340.93	$33,340.93	10/1/2025-9/30/2026
Franklin County	MDT Upgrade Project	5459201	Grant-Pending Closeout	$19,805.00	$19,805.00	10/1/2025-9/30/2026

FY2026 VOCA Projects						
Grantee	**Project Title**	**Grant Number**	**Grant Status**	**Current Award**	**Expended**	**Project Period**
Bowie County	Bowie County District Attorney's Victim Assistance Program	4823503	Grant-Active	$76,528.51	$36,297.19	10/1/2025-9/30/2026
Domestic Violence Prevention, Inc.	Comprehensive Victim Restoration Program	2907009	Grant-Active	$276,007.72	$228,913.17	10/1/2025-9/30/2026
SAFE-T	Children & Youth Services/Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Transitional Housing	2453112	Grant-Active	$522,762.23	$501,996.92	10/1/2025-9/30/2026

FY2026 Juvenile Justice Projects						
Grantee	**Project Title**	**Grant Number**	**Grant Status**	**Current Award**	**Expended**	**Project Period**
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	Purchase of Juvenile Services	1426627	Grant - Active	$29,326.33	$29,326.33	9/1/2025-8/31/2026

October 2026 Homeland Security Program Stats

Grantee	Project Title	Grant Number	Grant Status	Current Award	Expended	Project Period
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	ATCOG Regional Emergency Radio Infrastructure Project	5086901	Active	$1,346,833.00	$7533.99	11/1/24-10/31/26
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	ATCOG Planning, Training, and Exercise Project	2946011	Active	$96,000	$52745.75	9/1/25-09/30/26
Hopkins County	Portable Radio Project	4858703	Active	$21,934.00	$0.00	11/1/25-10/31/26
Bowie County	VFD Radio Project upgrades	5487801	Active	$79,146.00	$0.00	10/1/25-9/30/26
Sulphur Springs, City of	Night Vision Monocular	5352301	Active	$33,625.00	$0.00	10/1/25-9/30/26
Texarkana, City of	Police Thermal Imaging Cameras	5400901	Pending Closeout	$13,745.00	$13745.00	10/1/25-9/30/26
Lamar County	SWAT Night Vision	5415201	Active	$39,084.00	$0.00	12/1/25-9/30/26
Cass County	ATCOG HSGP Hazard Training	5456601	Active	$40,000.00	$0.00	10/1/25-1/31/27
Franklin County	Law Enforcement Protection Equipment Project	5468801	Active	$23,547.60	$23,547.60	10/1/2025-10/31/2026
Titus County	APX 8000 Radio Acquisition for Public Safety	5536201	Closed	$70,834.32	$67948.49	9/1/25-05/31/26

Regional Development Report as of September 2026

Status		Agency/Jurisdiction	Grant Name	Project Name	Grant Amount	Match Amount
In Process	**Hopkins County**	***City of Sulphur Springs***	***FY 25 CDBG Infrastructure***	***TBD***	***$ 750,000***	***$ 112,500***
Reapplied	**Bowie County**	TexAmericas Center	FY25 EPA Disaster Supplemental Grant	TexAmericas Center EDA 2025 Disaster Grant	$ 13,147,236	$ 2,629,447
In Process	**Bowie County**	***Texas A&M University-Texarkana***	***2020 EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment***	***Planning Grant***	***TBD***	***TBD***
Active	**ATCOG Region**	Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC)	Texas Regional Broadband Program (TRBP)	ATCOG Regional Broadband Program	$ 321,000	$ -
Active	**ATCOG Region**	ATCOG	FY26 **EPA** Brownfield Coalition Assessment Grant	ATCOG Coalition Assessment 2026	$ 1,500,000	$ -
Active	**ATCOG Region**	ATCOG	FY25 EPA Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund **RLF**	ATCOG Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund	$ 1,000,000	$ -
Active	**Region**	ATCOG	2026-2027 TDA Technical Assistance Award	Technical Assistance	$ 12,864	$ -
Active	**Region**	NETEDD	2024-2026 3-Year Partnership Planning Program Grant	EDA/NETEDD Partnership Planning Program	$ 210,000	$ 140,000
Active	**Region**	ATCOG	2022, 2023 & 2025 USDA Rural Business Development Grant(s) (RBDG) **RLF**	Rural Business Development Grant Revolving Loan Fund ***(RLF)*** *[USDA deobligated $419,318 old fund; Funded $350,000 New Disaster Funds]*	$ 562,500	$ 100,000
Active	**Region**	NETEDD	2020 EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment Revolving Loan Fund **RLF**	NETEDD Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) ***Revolving***	$ 3,186,179	$ 1,059,110
Active	**Region**	NETEDD	2020 EDA Cares Act Adjustment Revolving Loan Fund Grant **RLF**	NETEDD COVID Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) ***Revolving***	$ 550,000	$ -
Active	**Bowie County**	ATCOG	2026 Defense Adjustment Assistance Grant **DEAAG**	RRAD Drone Project - supported by TC & TAMUT	$ 5,000,000	$ 5,000,000

Regional Development Report as of September 2026

Active	**Bowie County**	ATCOG	2025 Defense Adjustment Assistance Grant **DEAAG**	Riverbend Water Resources District Industrial Wastewater Treatment Plant	$ 5,000,000	$ 5,000,000
Active	**Bowie County**	City of Nash	2023 **EDA** Disaster Supplemental Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs	Nash Business Infrastructure	$ 2,550,000	$ 542,632
Close-out in Process	**Bowie County**	City of DeKalb	2020 **EDA** Public Works & Economic Adjustment	Wastewater, Sewer, Water Lines & Meters, Easement & Jobs	$ 2,000,000	$ 559,858
Close-out in Process	**Lamar County**	Paris EDC	2021 **EDA** ARPA Public Works & Economic Adjustment	Infrastructure Northwaest Industrial Park & Jobs	$ 1,300,000	$ 552,344
Close-out in Process	**Hopkins County**	City of Sulphur Springs	2020 **EDA** CARES Act Public Works & Economic Adjustment	Coal Propert Development - Infrastructure & Jobs	$ 2,380,000	$ 596,960
Close-out in Process	**Region**	ATCOG	2025-2026 TDA Technical Assistance Award	Technical Assistance	$ 12,685	
Close-out in Process	**Bowie County**	City of Hooks	2021/2022 CDBG Community Development Fund **TDA**	Sewer Infrastructure	$ 350,000	$ 35,000
Declined/ Reapplied	**Bowie County**	TexAmericas Center	FY25 EPA Disaster Supplemental Grant	TexAmericas Center EDA 2025 Disaster Grant	$ 19,983,491	$ 4,995,873

ATCOG Regional Services

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls/text received (All counties + training center)	53,123	52,002	53,565	55,860	214,550
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	3,520	3,355	3,180	3,641	13,696
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	26,142	24,549	23,890	22,326	96,907
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	7,076	6,054	6,495	6,682	26,307
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	16	16	16	16	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	57	57	57	57	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV) (including Camp, Upshur, & Wood Counties)	1,530	1,488	1,451	1,402	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords (including Camp, Upshur, & Wood Counties)	$ 2,897,908.00	$ 2,810,078.00	$ 2,762,036.00	2,749,900	$11,219,922.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants (including Camp, Upshur, & Wood Counties)	70	76	76	75	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Graduates (including Camp, Upshur, & Wood Counties)	3	-	1	1	5
Number of Rural Transportation Rides (including paratransit & Paris Metro)	16,645	16,205	15,612	18,877	67,339
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants (Including Juvenile and Regional Law Enforcement Training Grant)	13	10	6	6	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	108	31	14	6	159
Number of active Economic Development loans	29	28	27	27	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	10	10	11	11	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	2	10	8	Not Cumulative

ATCOG Services in Bowie County

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls/text received (Bi-State Justice Center & New Boston PD)	26,239	25,990	26,522	26,435	105,186
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	637	612	460	549	2,258
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	4,979	4,212	4,115	3,972	17,278
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	2,534	1,894	1,883	1,940	8,251
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	12	12	12	12	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	45	45	45	45	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	806	787	766	745	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords	$ 1,602,620.00	$ 1,554,646.00	$ 1,534,038.00	$ 1,526,923.00	$ 6,218,227.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants	41	41	41	41	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV FSS Graduates	2	0	1	1	4
Number of Rural Transportation Rides	1,134	1,013	967	966	4,080
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants	2	2	2	2	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	6	18	10	3	37
Number of active Economic Development loans	5	5	5	5	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	3	4	3	3	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	-	2	1	Not Cumulative

ATCOG Services in Cass County

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls received (Atlanta PD and Cass CO SO)	4,340	4,318	4,508	4,868	18,034
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	442	471	413	449	1,775
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	1,379	969	910	1,057	4,315
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	1,916	1,835	2,031	2,096	7,878
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	51	51	47	43	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords	$ 89,784.00	$ 88,355.00	$ 76,842.00	$ 73,893.00	$ 328,874.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV FSS Graduates	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Rural Transportation Rides	725	709	710	968	3,112
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants	1	1	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	19	-	-	-	19
Number of active Economic Development loans	2	2	2	3	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	-	1	1	Not Cumulative

ATCOG Services in Delta County

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls received (Delta CO SO)	30	5	41	46	122
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	1,503	1,412	1,251	1,209	5,375
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	5	5	5	5	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords	$ 9,268.00	$ 8,259.00	$ 11,260.00	$ 11,709.00	$ 40,496.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV FSS Graduates	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Rural Transportation Rides	11	-	10	15	36
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants	1	1	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	-	-	-	-	-
Number of active Economic Development loans	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative

ATCOG Services in Franklin County

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls received (Franklin CO SO)	1,141	1,208	1,273	1,414	5,036
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	44	38	56	60	198
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	550	710	683	607	2,550
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	34	34	35	33	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords	$ 75,477.00	$ 79,008.00	$ 82,255.00	$ 76,632.00	$ 313,372.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants	2	3	3	2	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV FSS Graduates	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Rural Transportation Rides	212	203	246	280	941
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants	2	2	2	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	3	1	-	-	4
Number of active Economic Development loans	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	1	1	1	Not Cumulative

ATCOG Services in Hopkins County

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls received (Sulphur Springs PD and Hopkins CO SO)	5,881	5,631	5,709	6,346	23,567
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	761	741	670	630	2,802
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	2,060	1,937	1,448	1,367	6,812
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	4	4	4	4	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	160	155	154	146	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords	$ 259,900.00	$ 262,052.00	$ 258,255.00	$ 252,509.00	$ 1,032,716.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants	7	10	10	10	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV FSS Graduates	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Rural Transportation Rides	1,641	1,563	1,549	1,550	6,303
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	-	5	1	-	6
Number of active Economic Development loans	2	2	2	2	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	-	2	2	Not Cumulative

ATCOG Services in Lamar County

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls received (Paris PD)	7,027	6,551	7,373	7,425	28,376
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	426	343	374	423	1,566
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	10,454	10,700	11,162	10,104	42,420
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	647	492	542	481	2,162
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	115	111	110	108	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords	$ 200,962.00	$ 183,615.00	$ 186,957.00	$ 186,204.00	$ 757,738.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants	7	8	8	7	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV FSS Graduates	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Rural Transportation Rides (including paratransit & Paris Metro)	10,441	10,285	9,365	11,888	41,979
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	72	2	-	-	74
Number of active Economic Development loans	4	4	4	4	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	1	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	-	1	1	Not Cumulative

ATCOG Services in Morris County

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls received (Morris CO SO)	2,295	2,411	2,444	2,840	9,990
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	97	112	96	136	441
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	1,434	1,158	1,294	1,185	5,071
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	975	832	939	995	3,741
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	58	55	55	56	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords	$ 118,714.00	$ 111,888.00	$ 112,291.00	$ 122,183.00	$ 465,076.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants	3	3	3	3	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV FSS Graduates	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Rural Transportation Rides	266	287	244	365	1,162
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants	2	2	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	-	3	-	3	6
Number of active Economic Development loans	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative

ATCOG Services in Red River County

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls received (Red River CO SO)	2,235	2,000	1,683	2,070	7,988
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	-	-	124	240	364
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	2,456	2,344	2,134	1,948	8,882
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	31	29	29	29	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords	$ 59,178.00	$ 60,100.00	$ 60,966.00	$ 64,452.00	$ 244,696.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants	1	1	1	1	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV FSS Graduates	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Rural Transportation Rides	15	77	252	321	665
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	1	1	-	-	2
Number of active Economic Development loans	2	2	2	1	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative

ATCOG Services in Titus County

	Quarter 1 Oct-Dec 2025	Quarter 2 Jan-Mar 2026	Quarter 3 Apr-Jun 2026	Quarter 4 Jul-Sept 2026	Year-to-Date
Number of 9-1-1 calls received (Mt. Pleasant PD)	3,921	3,882	4,006	4,413	16,222
Number of Rural Transportation Ride (Ages 60 and over)	1,113	1,038	987	1,154	4,292
Number of Home Delivered Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	1,327	1,107	893	877	4,204
Number of Congregate Meals Served (Ages 60 and over)	1,004	1001	1100	1,170	4,275
Number of Illegal Dumping Camera Systems In Use	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of "No Illegal Dumping" Signs In Use	12	12	12	12	Not Cumulative
Number of Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV)	188	185	178	171	Not Cumulative
Amount of Housing Assistance Payments to Landlords	$ 320,824.00	$ 318,003.00	$ 303,707.00	$ 305,103.00	$ 1,247,637.00
Number of HCV Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Participants	8	8	8	8	Not Cumulative
Number of HCV FSS Graduates	1	-	-	-	1
Number of Rural Transportation Rides	2,200	2,068	2,269	2,524	9,061
Number of Active Criminal Justice Grants	2	2	1	1	Not Cumulative
Number of Students attending Law Enforcement Training	7	1	3	-	11
Number of active Economic Development loans	4	5	5	5	Not Cumulative
Number of active Regional Development grants	-	-	-	-	Not Cumulative
Number of Active Homeland Security Grants	-	-	1	-	Not Cumulative

BRIEFING PAPER

ITEM 6:

Review and consider approval of the submission of a grant application to the Martha, David, and Bagby Lennox Foundation.

BACKGROUND:

Ark-Tex Council of Governments Rural Transit District (TRAX) provides low-cost transportation for residents of Bowie, Cass, Delta, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Morris, Red River, and Titus counties from their homes or other designated pick-up points to meet transportation needs. The purpose of this grant is to directly benefit residents in Red River County and meet their transportation needs. Funding for this service has historically been comprised of funds from federal, state, and local levels.

DISCUSSION:

The Martha, David, and Bagby Lennox Foundation has advocated for TRAX transportation for several years and has been a strong voice for Red River County and TRAX services. ATCOG will request grant funds in the amount of $15,000 for FY2027. As part of the grant agreement, TRAX will continue to support transportation services within Red River County.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval.

RESOLUTION NO. AEC27-01

RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG) APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE MARTHA, DAVID, & BAGBY LENNOX FOUNDATION FOR FY2027.

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Martha, David, & Bagby Lennox Foundation Grant is to enhance mobility for those who need transportation within Red River County; and

WHEREAS, the Martha, David, & Bagby Lennox Foundation has advocated for TRAX Transportation for several years; and

WHEREAS, as part of the grant agreement, TRAX will continue to support transportation services within Red River County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:

Section 1 - That the ATCOG Executive Committee approves the submission of a grant application to the Martha, David, & Bagby Lennox Foundation in the amount of $15,000 for the TRAX Rural Public Transportation.

Section 2 - That the Executive Director, Mary Beth Rudel, has full authority to act on behalf of the ATCOG Board in all matters pertaining to the aforementioned grant.

Section 3 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of Ark-Tex Council of Governments and applicable law, and shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026.

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Doug Reeder, President
Board of Directors
Ark-Tex Council of Governments

ATTEST:

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BRIEFING PAPER

ITEM 7:

Review and consider approval of the submission of a grant application to the St. Joseph Community Foundation.

BACKGROUND:

Ark-Tex Council of Governments Rural Transit District (TRAX) provides low-cost transportation for residents of Bowie, Cass, Delta, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Morris, Red River, and Titus counties from their homes or other designated pick-up points to meet transportation needs. The purpose of this grant is to directly benefit residents in Lamar County and meet their transportation needs. Funding for this service has historically been comprised of funds from federal, state, and local levels.

DISCUSSION:

The St. Joseph Community Foundation has advocated for TRAX transportation for several years and has been a strong voice for Lamar County and TRAX services. ATCOG will request grant funds in the amount of $5,000 for FY2027. As part of the grant agreement, TRAX will continue to support transportation services within Lamar County.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval.

RESOLUTION NO. AEC27-02

RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG) APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ST. JOSEPH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR FY2027.

WHEREAS, the purpose of the St. Joseph Foundation Grant is to enhance mobility for those who need transportation within Lamar County; and

WHEREAS, the St. Joseph Foundation has advocated for TRAX Transportation for several years; and

WHEREAS, as part of the grant agreement, TRAX will continue to support transportation services within Lamar County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:

Section 1 - That the ATCOG Executive Committee approves the submission of a grant application to the St. Joseph Community Foundation in the amount of $5,000 for the TRAX Rural Public Transportation.

Section 2 - That the Executive Director, Mary Beth Rudel, has full authority to act on behalf of the ATCOG Board in all matters pertaining to the aforementioned grant.

Section 3 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of Ark-Tex Council of Governments and applicable law, and shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026.

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Doug Reeder, President
Board of Directors
Ark-Tex Council of Governments

ATTEST:

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BRIEFING PAPER

ITEM 8:

Review and consider approval of the ATCOG 2027 Fair Market Rent (FMR) Payment Standards (PS) for the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

BACKGROUND:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) determines the Fair Market Rent each year. Fair Market Rents are used to determine payment standard amounts for the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program in calculating the housing assistance payment (HAP), which the Public Housing Agency (PHA) pays to the owner on behalf of the family leasing the unit.

DISCUSSION:

ATCOG Housing Choice Voucher program serves twelve counties: Bowie, Camp, Cass, Delta, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Morris, Red River, Titus, Upshur, and Wood.

Each year, ATCOG sets payment standards for all unit sizes in each county based on HUD's published FMRs. HUD allows payment standards to range between 90% and 110% of the FMR. ATCOG proposes adopting standards at 110% of FMR for FY2027.

Additionally, ATCOG administers Desegregated Housing Opportunity (DHO) zones within its service area. Separate payment standards are required for these zones, which are predetermined by HUD.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval.

2026-2027 FAIR MARKET RENT (FMR) PAYMENT STANDARDS (PS)
Effective December 1, 2026

BOWIE	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	839	874	1118	1403	1683
FMR *110%	922.9	961.4	1229.8	1543.3	1851.3
PS	**922**	**961**	**1229**	**1543**	**1851**

CAMP	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	771	781	1014	1404	1461
FMR *110%	848.1	859.1	1115.4	1544.4	1607.1
PS	**848**	**859**	**1115**	**1544**	**1607**

CASS	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	771	775	1014	1404	1461
FMR *110%	848.1	852.5	1115.4	1544.4	1607.1
PS	**848**	**852**	**1115**	**1544**	**1607**

DELTA	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	771	839	1014	1404	1461
FMR *110%	848.1	922.9	1115.4	1544.4	1607.1
PS	**848**	**922**	**1115**	**1544**	**1607**

FRANKLIN	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	875	916	1151	1371	1658
FMR *110%	962.5	1007.6	1266.1	1508.1	1823.8
PS	**962**	**1007**	**1266**	**1508**	**1823**

HOPKINS	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	1002	1020	1205	1607	1613
FMR *110%	1102.2	1122	1325.5	1767.7	1774.3
PS	**1102**	**1122**	**1325**	**1767**	**1774**

LAMAR	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	787	793	1036	1354	1362
FMR *110%	865.7	872.3	1139.6	1489.4	1498.2
PS	**865**	**872**	**1139**	**1489**	**1498**

MORRIS	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	771	807	1014	1367	1695
FMR *110%	848.1	887.7	1115.4	1503.7	1864.5
PS	**848**	**887**	**1115**	**1503**	**1864**

RED RIVER	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	706	807	1014	1404	1695
FMR *110%	776.6	887.7	1115.4	1544.4	1864.5
PS	**776**	**887**	**1115**	**1544**	**1864**

TITUS	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	826	863	1045	1368	1373
FMR *110%	908.6	949.3	1149.5	1504.8	1510.3
PS	**908**	**949**	**1149**	**1504**	**1510**

UPSHUR	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	1034	1041	1232	1611	1712
FMR *110%	1137.4	1145.1	1355.2	1772.1	1883.2
PS	**1137**	**1145**	**1355**	**1772**	**1883**

WOOD	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	710	862	1019	1294	1439
FMR *110%	781	948.2	1120.9	1423.4	1582.9
PS	**781**	**948**	**1120**	**1423**	**1582**

The FMRs for unit sizes larger than 4 BRs are calculated by adding 15% to the 4 BR FMR for each extra bedroom.
The PS that are highlighted in red are lower in 2025-2026 than they were in 2025-2026.

2026-2027 DESEGREGATED HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES (DHO)
FAIR MARKET RENT (FMR) PAYMENT STANDARDS (PS)
Effective December 1, 2026

BOWIE	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	839	874	1118	1403	1683
FMR *142%	1191.38	1241.08	1587.56	1992.26	2389.86
PS	**1191**	**1241**	**1587**	**1992**	**2389**

CAMP	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	771	781	1014	1404	1461
FMR *120%	925.2	937.2	1216.8	1684.8	1753.2
PS	**925**	**937**	**1216**	**1684**	**1753**

CASS	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	771	775	1014	1404	1461
FMR *135%	1040.85	1046.25	1368.9	1895.4	1972.35
PS	**1040**	**1046**	**1368**	**1895**	**1972**

DELTA	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	771	839	1014	1404	1461
FMR *138%	1063.98	1157.82	1399.32	1937.52	2016.18
PS	**1063**	**1157**	**1399**	**1937**	**2016**

FRANKLIN	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	875	916	1151	1371	1658
FMR *137%	1198.75	1254.92	1576.87	1878.27	2271.46
PS	**1198**	**1254**	**1576**	**1878**	**2271**

HOPKINS	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	1002	1020	1205	1607	1613
FMR *123%	1232.46	1254.6	1482.15	1976.61	1983.99
PS	**1232**	**1254**	**1482**	**1976**	**1983**

LAMAR	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	787	793	1036	1354	1362
FMR *137%	1078.19	1086.41	1419.32	1854.98	1865.94
PS	**1078**	**1086**	**1419**	**1854**	**1865**

MORRIS	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	771	807	1014	1367	1695
FMR *110%	848.1	887.7	1115.4	1503.7	1864.5
PS	**848**	**887**	**1115**	**1503**	**1864**

RED RIVER	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	706	807	1014	1404	1695
FMR *132%	931.9	1065.2	1338.5	1853.3	2237.4
PS	**931**	**1065**	**1338**	**1853**	**2237**

TITUS	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	826	863	1045	1368	1373
FMR *142%	1172.92	1225.46	1483.9	1942.56	1949.66
PS	**1172**	**1225**	**1483**	**1942**	**1949**

UPSHUR	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	1034	1041	1232	1611	1712
FMR *155%	1602.7	1613.55	1909.6	2497.05	2653.6
PS	**1602**	**1613**	**1909**	**2497**	**2653**

WOOD	0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
FMR	710	862	1019	1294	1439
FMR *135%	958.5	1163.7	1375.65	1746.9	1942.65
PS	**958**	**1163**	**1375**	**1746**	**1942**

RESOLUTION NO. AEC27-03

RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS APPROVING ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG) FY2027 FAIR MARKET RENT (FMR) PAYMENT STANDARDS FOR THE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (HCV) PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Fair Market Rent rate is established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and

WHEREAS, the Fair Market Rent standard is used by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to determine the payment standard amount for the Housing Choice Voucher program in the calculation of the housing assistance payment; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Market Rent determines the Payment Standards for the 12 counties served by ATCOG Housing; and

WHEREAS, ATCOG has adopted payment standards equal to 110% of the established Fair Market Rent; and

WHEREAS, ATCOG administers Desegregated Housing Opportunity (DHO) zones within its service area separate payment standards required for DHO zones, which are predetermined by HUD and shall be applied by county as follows (percentage of fair market rent): Bowie – 142%, Camp – 120%, Cass – 135%, Delta – 138%, Franklin – 137%, Hopkins – 123%, Lamar – 137%, Morris – 110%, Red River - 132%, Titus – 142%, Upshur – 155%, Wood – 135%; and

WHEREAS, the ATCOG Housing Department will use the Fair Market Rent Payment Standards beginning December 2026 until the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development establishes new rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:

Section 1 - That the ATCOG Executive Committee approves the 2027 Fair Market Rent Payment Standards for all counties within the Housing Choice Voucher program.

Section 2 - That the Executive Director, Mary Beth Rudel, has full authority to act on behalf of the ATCOG Board in all matters pertaining to the Fair Market Rent in establishing the Payment Standards.

Section 3 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments and applicable law and shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2026.

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Doug Reeder, President
Board of Directors
Ark-Tex Council of Governments

ATTEST:

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BRIEFING PAPER

ITEM 9:

Review and consider approval of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) Executive Director to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Nash for the submission of a grant application to the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA).

BACKGROUND:

Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code allows local governments and state agencies to contract with each other to improve public efficiency and share services. The City of Nash requests that ATCOG assist with a Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) grant application, submission, and administration process under the Interlocal Agreement.

DISCUSSION:

The ATCOG Development staff will provide necessary and appropriate grant management administrative services to the City of Nash per the Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) application guidelines. The agreement outlines responsibilities of both parties pertaining to the submission and administration of the grant. The Interlocal Agreement will be effective October 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval.

RESOLUTION NO. AEC27-04

RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS APPROVING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG) AND THE CITY OF NASH FOR A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (TDA).

WHEREAS, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code allows local governments and state agencies to contract with each other to improve public efficiency and share services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Nash is a local government, as defined in the Act (a city, a municipality, a special district, or other political subdivision of the State of Texas, or any other state), and it possesses adequate legal authority to enter into this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Nash requests that ATCOG provide assistance with planning, administration, and submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) to the Texas Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the agreement outlines responsibilities of both parties pertaining to the inspection process requirements, points of contact, property locations, and invoice and payment procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement will be effective October 1, 2026, through December 31, 2028.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:

Section 1 - That the ATCOG Board of Directors approves the Interlocal Agreement between ATCOG and the City of Nash for grant administration.

Section 2 - That the Executive Director, Mary Beth Rudel, has full authority to act on behalf of the ATCOG Board in all matters pertaining to the interlocal agreement.

Section 3 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of Ark-Tex Council of Governments and applicable law and shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2026.

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Doug Reeder, President
Board of Directors
Ark-Tex Council of Governments

ATTEST:

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BRIEFING PAPER

ITEM 10:

CCH Eligibility Requirement for all FY2028 grant applications:

1) In order for an applicant to be eligible for FY28 grant funding through the Office of the Governor-Public Safety Office (OOG/PSO), the county (or counties) in which the applicant is located must have a 90% average on both adult and juvenile criminal history dispositions to the Texas Department of Public Safety for calendar years 2021 through 2025. The disposition completeness percentage is defined as the percentage of arrest charges a county reports to DPS for which a disposition has been subsequently reported and entered into the computerized criminal history system. See percentages as of October 12, 2026 in the table below.
This OOG/PSO requirement must be met by August 1, 2027.

2) Beginning January 1, 2021, counties applying for grant awards from the Office of the Governor must commit that the county will report at least 90 percent of convictions and other dispositions ***within five business days*** to the Criminal Justice Information System at the Department of Public Safety. ****All ATCOG counties are in compliance with this portion of the requirement.***

As of October 12, 2026	Adult criminal history disposition completeness avg.	Juvenile criminal history disposition completeness avg.
Bowie	95	99
Cass	86	98
Delta	88	100
Franklin	86	100
Hopkins	96	93
Lamar	90	91
Morris	86	96
Red River	90	100
Titus	87	82

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