



Capital Area Council of Governments

2019 ANNUAL REPORT



Board Chair's Message



**Travis County
Commissioner
Gerald Daugherty**

I can remember being in my twenties and hearing that when you're young the years go by slow but when you are older they seem to fly by, and at 69, I'm definitely understanding that saying. My year as the CAPCOG Executive Committee Chairman for 2019 has been lightning fast.

The truly wonderful thing about CAPCOG is the privilege of working with two dozen dedicated elected officials from our ten County region. These elected officials representing their own constituents and taxing jurisdictions, work together on issues ranging from water, transportation, 911 systems, law enforcement, aging programs, homelessness, and affordability issues. We all work together to help make everyone as important as the other one while seeking to solve the issue of a single jurisdiction, the CAPCOG region or the State of Texas.

As I start my 14th year on the CAPCOG Executive Board, I continue to be extremely proud and impressed with my fellow board members and the staff workforce that exist with this organization. It goes without saying that an organization that is led by someone who is a 23 year veteran Executive Director like Betty Voights, is the reason that CAPCOG is the envy of the state. ... and yes Betty Voights you are set free from those monthly downtown drives on Monday before our Wednesday Executive Committee meetings, although I have enjoyed them immensely!

God Bless you, your families and God Bless America!

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Executive Director's Message

The great thing about CAPCOG is we are always doing new things for the region, its local governments and their citizens. Typically, these projects are driven by existing programs – expanding features of the WarnCentralTexas notification system, building the infrastructure for NextGen 9-1-1, and adding services for seniors are examples. In 2019, we began a new service we've wanted to provide for years – writing and administering grants for our local governments.



Betty Voights

This year in June, we also asked CAPCOG's board, the Executive Committee, what they thought we should be doing. Specifically, we asked them four questions: Does the mission statement still reflect what we do? How can we make our agency resilient? What should be the criteria for new projects? What are the region's future issues that we should be working on? The board felt like our mission statement needed to be updated and the new version is reflected on page 3 of this report. They reaffirmed the criteria for taking on new projects; they must tie to our mission and necessary funding and staff resources will continue to be determining factors. The discussion about CAPCOG's resiliency was an important one. It is generally recognized that, while it is important to have membership dues that symbolize the value of a regional organization, over 98 percent of the budget is generated by a blend of funding from the state, federal government, or a special district, all of which can fluctuate. Expanding our menu of programs and services was discussed, including providing opportunities for smaller governmental entities to share the cost of professional services through an economy-of-scale arrangement with CAPCOG. We will be surveying our members in January on this – some of the services discussed included website and IT support, equipment maintenance contracts, professional services such as engineering, and GIS mapping.

Finally, the board identified many regional issues CAPCOG could work on going forward and narrowed the list to these: increasing broadband where gaps exist; coordinating regional assets for emergency response; assisting communities to align housing supply with job growth and employment trends; expanding the website's water clearinghouse with best practices, plans and studies; working on mobility issues related to the regional growth issues; and revisiting county land use issues.

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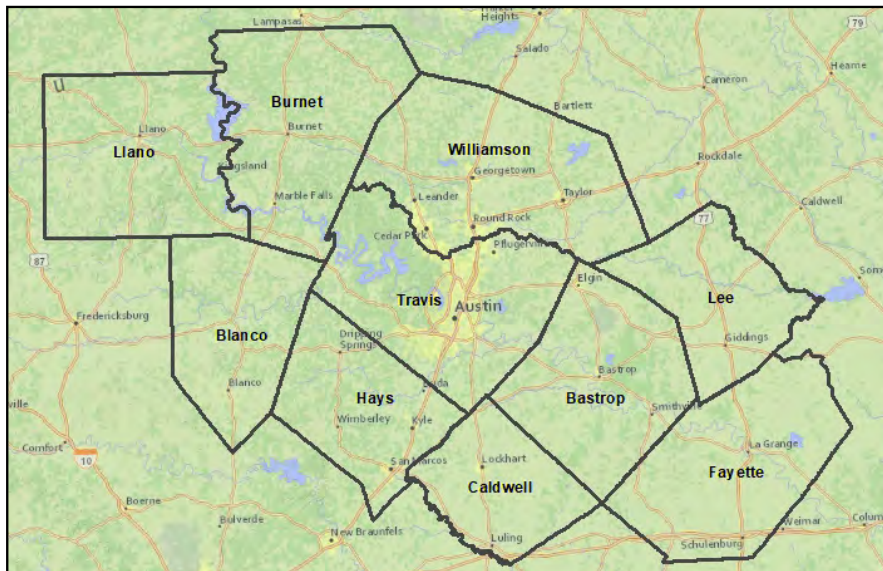
In 2019, the division conducted a cybersecurity audit and took actions to improve the organizations' digital infrastructure. It completed a relaunch of capcog.org modernizing the website and enhancing its user navigation and mobile optimizing it. The division also drafted a FY 2020 budget with estimated revenues of \$29.6 million and expenditures of \$32.3 million. As always, the division supported each division in procuring and completing many projects across CAPCOG's programmatic divisions.



The Administrative Services Staff

Front Row: Mason Canales, Cyrile Dabbs, Silvia Alvarado, Administration Director Sheila Jennings, Deborah Brea, Zandy Alexander

Back Row: Gus Gonzales, IT Director Kelly Claflin, Ruth Ann Delaney, Matt Morgan, Brett Field, Finance Director Lisa Bowman



CAPCOG serves a ten-county region spanning more than 8,400 square miles that consists of Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis and Williamson counties. As a regional partner, directed by local governments, it assists jurisdictions on regional planning in the areas of emergency communications, aging resources, law enforcement education, criminal justice, solid waste management, air pollution reduction, homeland security, transportation, economic development, GIS data and usage and more.

CAPCOG Mission's Statement

"We continue to strengthen the Capital of Texas ten-county region by supporting urban and rural local governments through coordination, collaboration, and sharing of ideas and resources."



Attendees of the annual Striking a Balance Caregiver Conference complete a self survey that provides them tips on reducing their stresses. The annual conference conducted by the Area Agency on Aging of the Capital Area and Age of Central Texas had more than 160 attendees.

The Area Agency on Aging of the Capital Area (AAACAP) assists older adults, people with disabilities, and their caregivers with supports and services throughout the region. It helps people maintain their best quality of life in the environment they choose.

During FY 2019, AAACAP and the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of the Capital Area, a program of AAACAP, launched their Your Partner workshops which educated resource providers, referral sources, and community members about the various programs and services available through AAACAP. Holding nearly one a quarter, each workshop was well attended by professionals across the aging, health care and policy arenas. These workshops helped build and strengthen partnerships between CAPCOG and services providers leading AAACAP and the ADRC to perform additional community training programs on various health and wellness topics, increase referrals and streamline service delivery.

Older Adult Care Support

AAACAP partnered with Austin Energy through its Plus 1 Program to provide utility assistance for Austin Energy consumers for the first time during FY 2019. The agency exceeded its goals for the number of consumers served and assistance funds distributed; both AAACAP and ADRC administered the pledge process connecting individuals to this much needed assistance. This service allowed CAPCOG to stretch state and federal dollars to provide similar assistance for older adults in other areas of the region.

At the same time, the Information and Referral program received more calls related to basic

housing needs, utility assistance, eviction concerns, and people at risk for homelessness. AAACAP sought out and received additional housing bond funds from Texas Health and Human Services to address these concerns often supporting people experiencing financial hardships following a major health crisis.

In its fifth year of partnering with the St. David's Foundation, AAACAP expanded its Senior Medication Safety Program to include other aspects of health and safety items for older adults such as durable medical equipment, hearing aids, and vision and dental services.

The 2019 year experienced an increasing number of people choosing their own independent care providers through AAACAP affiliated homemaker and respite services. The use of this consumer-directed voucher service option meant AAACAP could meet the needs of more individuals in hard to reach areas, those hesitant to accept agency support, or those requiring a more individualized approach. Older adults and caregivers choosing this voucher service option select their preferred worker to best meet their care needs, including flexible hours and specialized care.

Older Adult Health, Wellness, and Meals

AAACAP expanded its Health and Wellness Program to keep up with increasing statistics of



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chronic diseases and conditions affecting older adults, especially since the number of older adults is growing throughout the region. AAACAP trained additional internal staff, volunteer lay leaders, health care and long-term care providers to run more courses such as the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program and A Matter of Balance, Falls Prevention Program. The agency also developed a partnership with the University of St. Augustine Physical Therapy Department allowing masters level physical therapists to teach A Matter of Balance courses throughout the year and significantly increase the number participants realizing positive health outcomes through the evidence-based intervention.

The Home Delivered Meals Program provided nearly 226,000 meals to almost 2,000 unduplicated people. This included providing funds for meals at four new congregate meal sites that opened in CAPCOG region. The additional locations helped increase the nutrition program's reach to traditionally underserved populations in urban and rural counties.

Counseling and Advocacy for Older Adults

The Benefits Counseling Program conducted a number of community training events for partners who serve an important target population – Medicare eligible individuals under age 60. New partnerships with housing authorities, public health, county indigent health care, and provider networks serving those

experiencing homelessness helped connect old adults to essential Medicare benefits thus increasing their access to healthcare and prescription assistance programs.

The Ombudsman Program presented at the statewide Quality in Long-Term Care Conference in recognition of their best practice processes for case assessments and complaint resolution. Ombudsman continued to meet all performance measures even as the number

of assisted living facilities increased. They made more than 2,400 visits to nursing and assisted living facilities in the region highlighting the ongoing importance of their advocacy on behalf of individuals in long-term care facilities.

The ADRC

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission awarded AAACAP another year of operating the ADRC of the Capital Area. This funding

provides streamlined access for individuals seeking assistance by connecting organizations running long-term services and support programs to the individual. The ADRC also oversees direct services related to the Lifespan Respite Care Program, which provides respite to caregivers caring for adults with disabilities and parents caring for children with special health care needs. This year a number of parent caregivers acknowledged the importance of this respite in providing relief for them, but they also noted the value of educational summer camps and therapeutic opportunities for their children.



Dr. Tam Cummings, a dementia expert, discusses how to care for people during an Untangling Alzheimer's workshop.

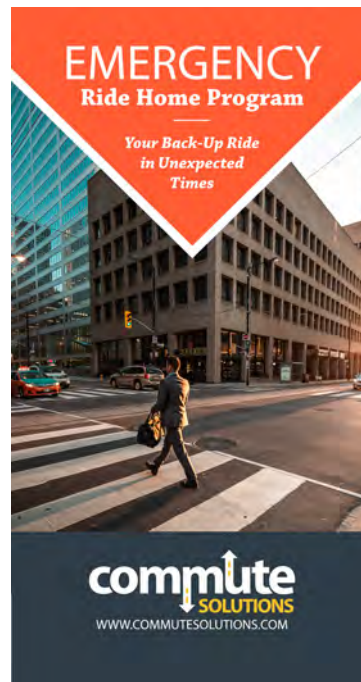


Items gathered during a household hazardous waste collection event in Lago Vista sit ready to be removed. Funds from CAPCOG's Solid Waste Program support such events.

The Regional Planning and Services (RPS) Division managed a variety of programs to benefit communities through environmental and natural resource planning, economic and community development, criminal justice planning, GIS services, commuter outreach, rural transportation planning, and other planning initiatives and services.

Air Quality

The Air Quality Program continued to coordinate the region's efforts to improve air quality and ensure compliance with federal air quality standards, including finalizing a new five-year regional air quality plan. During 2019, CAPCOG operated eight air quality monitors throughout the region, re-deploying two to new locations in Elgin and Bastrop. Research projects included partnerships with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to analyze the impact of various efforts to reduce vehicle emissions and the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority to analyze emissions and fuel consumption impacts of the MoPac Express Lanes. The program also conducted a 2018 monitoring data analysis and a regional emissions data analysis that will be used for EPA's National Emissions Inventory. To provide technical assistance to partners pursuing emission reduction grants, the program hosted



a workshop series on emission reduction measures. It also continued air quality outreach through the Air Central Texas initiative, which included social media, newsletters, advertising, and in-person outreach across the region.

Commute Solutions

The Commute Solutions Program, in its ongoing promotion of sustainable alternatives to single-occupancy vehicle commuting, launched a new region-wide Emergency Ride Home program, a re-vamped Commute Solutions website with new branding, a new trip-planning/ride-matching online tool, and a region-wide outreach effort. As part of its initiatives, the program created an online regional ride guide to help people find transportation solutions specific to their location and hosted a webinar and workshop to train organizations on trip reduction strategies. It also administered a series of contests designed to incentivize sustainable commuting.



The Regional Planning and Services Staff

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Community and Economic Development Assistance

In addition to CAPCOG's ongoing role to provide technical assistance to the region's non-entitlement communities that pursue Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), it also became a TDA CDBG certified grant administrator and began working on a survey for a regional needs assessment. The efforts helped Luling secure a grant for new public safety equipment and helped Giddings, Luling, and Smithville receive CDBG funding for economic planning studies.

Criminal Justice

The Criminal Justice Program and the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee continued supporting the Office of the Governor's (OOG) Criminal Justice grants program, which awarded nearly \$18 million in funding for four different grant categories in 2019. The amount was more than double the amount allocated to the region. Participation from regional stakeholders in the program's annual survey and stakeholder meetings continued to increase helping to better assess programmatic needs in the regional criminal justice plan. In addition to the annually reviewed grant programs, the OOG requested the Criminal Justice Program review and comment on Truancy Prevention

and Intervention Program grant proposals from the region. The region received \$2 million in grants from the additional grant program.

Economic Development

The Economic Development Program facilitated economic-based discussions involving manufacturing, local food systems, broadband Internet service, business incubators, opportunity zones and workforce issues with the Capital Area Economic Development District committee. The program also continued recovery outreach to the four counties in the Harvey Disaster Declared area under a special Economic Development Administration (EDA) Disaster and Recovery grant. The program worked with local communities to develop six economic recovery projects for EDA's consideration, resulting in \$4 million of investment to local resiliency projects. The program also completed a report on regional manufacturing data for the Austin Regional Manufacturing Association.



Geographic Information Systems (GIS)

During 2019, the GIS Program developed a new quality control system for 9-1-1 GIS database management designed to ready the region for NextGen 9-1-1. — Continued on next page



The Regional Planning and Services Division worked on several water related issues mostly in the areas of flooding such as mapping flood zones with new rainfall data sources.

The system will use new software to bring the region's 9-1-1 data into compliance with national NextGen 9-1-1 standards and expedite call-routing to the correct Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP). The system also will improve data quality for computer-aided dispatch systems for emergency response decisions. The GIS Program supported several other program areas through detailed flood risk analysis. It also coordinated with the U.S. Census Bureau and local governments to participate in Census planning workshops and provided technical assistance to local governments for using specialized GIS software to redesign statistical Census boundaries, which will be used for a variety of federal and state programs over the next 10 years.

Solid Waste

Eight household hazardous waste management projects, two recycling projects, and one community clean-up event were funded through the Solid Waste Program in 2019. The program continued supporting the Capital Area Regional Environmental Task

Force by coordinating the use of equipment and supplies, providing technical assistance, and training to enhance enforcement of illegal dumping and other environmental concerns. The program conducted a regional survey to begin developing a new Regional Solid Waste

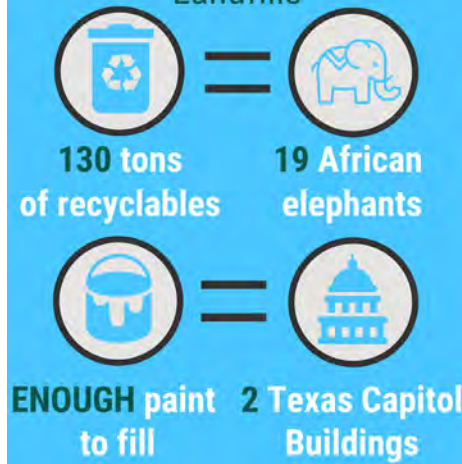
Management Plan in the upcoming biennium, and it worked with the Solid Waste Advisory Committee to conduct conformance reviews of two solid waste facility permit applications.

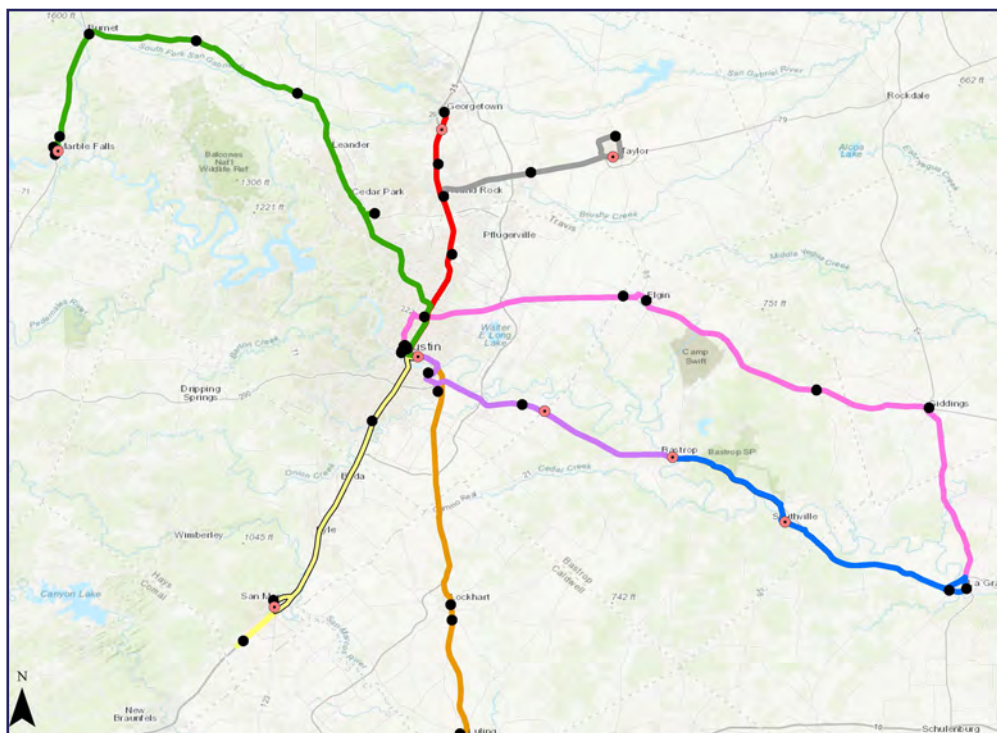
Planning

Through its planning services, the RPS Division provided demographic data, presentations, and land use data to local governments and other regional stakeholders related to specific projects or requests from local governments. It also worked with the AAACAP to develop

a plan to increase senior housing around the region; a report focusing on the economic benefits of having more seniors in a community, including the type of housing today's seniors want, will be released in early 2020.

Solid Waste Projects Funded by CAPCOG Diverted from Landfills





The above map depicts CARTS stops throughout the region. The Regional Planning and Services Division worked with CARTS to update the transit system's mapping, making them more user friendly for its riders.

Transportation

During mid-2019, the RPS Division and Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) began an update of the 2014 Blanco County Transportation and Economic Development Plan working with a stakeholder committee of county and city officials as well as local businesses and interest groups. The plan, which includes input from a survey and public meeting, will make recommendations for transportation projects and economic development strategies. It is expected to be completed by early 2020. The division also assisted local communities with sidewalk grant applications for TxDOT's statewide Transportation Alternatives/Safe Routes to School program. The Capital Area Regional Transportation Planning Organization, a CAPCOG committee which collaborates on rural transportation planning issues



Elected officials from Blanco County meet with CAPCOG during a planning session about updating the 2014 Blanco County Transportation and Economic Development Plan.

throughout the region, met to discuss several issues this year including access management, the Texas 2050 Transportation Plan, TxDOT bicycle and pedestrian projects, flood modeling related to transportation infrastructure planning, and demographic changes and their effects on commuting.

Water

The RPS Division assisted with mapping flooded areas in Llano County and downstream after 2018 rain events. It also worked with FEMA and other agencies regarding new flood and rainfall data sources, conducted flood risk assessments for several areas, and hosted an EPA workshop about flood resilience for water and wastewater utilities.



Firefighters from around the region receive a briefing about a mock disaster incident as part of the 2019 regional homeland security training exercise. More than 400 emergency responders participated in the exercise.

The Homeland Security Division supports communities with the regional planning for emergencies in the areas of preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation. The division also conducts training and exercises throughout the year to give local jurisdictions the opportunity to become familiar with regional assets and protocols, and their best use during any incident.

Disaster Training and Preparedness

Each year, the Homeland Security Division

coordinates a regional mass exercise which allows multiple jurisdictions to respond to a mock incident. The 2019 CAPCOG Regional Mass Exercise tested the region's bomb squad and hazmat teams, the Army's decon response units, and included more than 400 participants from local, regional, state and federal emergency response partners. The large complex exercise, which simulated an active shooter, improvised explosion devices and radiological dispersion devices, helped identify areas of strengths and opportunities to improve response and planning. Lessons learned from the event were shared among all local entities and directed new training initiatives. Planning for the 2020 Regional Mass Exercise immediately

began after the 2019 exercise. As precursor to the 2020 exercise, the Homeland Security Division scheduled training for personnel who

serve in command roles during large-scale and regional incidents. It also hosted training courses on planning evacuation routes and disaster debris management.

As a response to the growing number ransomware attacks on local governments in 2019, the division continued to strengthen the region's ability to counteract cyberterrorism. CAPCOG's cyber initiatives merged with the newly mandated state training requirements for cybersecurity training for all jurisdictions, so it began investigating training opportunities.



An emergency response team practices deploying a bomb robot during the 2019 regional exercise. The robot is one of the many regional response assets that can be deployed throughout the ten-county region.

The division also worked alongside Austin Regional Intelligence Center to promote and host threat



The Homeland Security Staff

Director Martin Ritchey, Kate Barrett, Angela Hahn, Matt Zimmerman

liaison officer courses for law enforcement officers and key government personnel. The now reoccurring courses identifies key roles and prepares the participants to effectively share information and potential intelligence with the goal of deterring terrorism and multi-jurisdictional crime, versus focusing on more traditional reactionary methodologies.

Planning

Using the expertise of its working subcommittees, the Homeland Security Division has facilitated planning efforts on drone policies, flooding preparedness, and developed a five-year training and exercise schedule. The backbone of these efforts is regional collaboration that draws on subject matter experts to share their insights into vexing challenges facing the changing world.

Response and Preparedness Tools

After 2018's rollout and transfer to a new regional notification system, CAPCOG continued to promote the self-registration of cellphone numbers and email addresses into WarnCentralTexas.org, which CAPCOG provides to all local governments. It developed a new

WarnCentralTexas.org promotional cards and other materials are available for any community to distribute to their residents. Contact the Homeland Security Division to help bring awareness to registering cellphone numbers and email addresses into the emergency regional notification system.

promotional campaign that distributed materials region wide and conducted public awareness campaigns based on wildfire season which led to an increase of self-registrations. The Homeland Security Division continues to explore new options for encouraging residents to sign-up for the emergency event response tool that allows every Public Safety Answering Point and Emergency Management Coordinator the ability to send emergency messages to the public. Local jurisdictions also can use the system to notify special operation teams and staff of activities. Local jurisdictions sent more than 1.5 million messages in the past year.

CAPCOG also partnered with Hays County, The Office of the Governor, Texas State University and the I Love You Guys Foundation to create an education video series on using the Standard Response Protocol in schools. The series teaches students of all ages how to respond to incidents requiring their school to institute either a lockdown, lockout, evacuation, or shelter-in-place scenario.



Public safety answering point managers from jurisdictions around the region participate in a National Emergency Number Association Center Manager Certification Program course provided by CAPCOG. The course taught best practices for effectively managing emergency communication agencies.

The Emergency Communications Division, which operates the Capital Area Emergency Communications District, addresses infrastructure, operational, training and outreach needs for the region's public safety answering points (PSAPs). These core elements ensure emergency communication operations and systems remain consistent, functional, and resilient through a balanced approach benefiting the public and first responders.

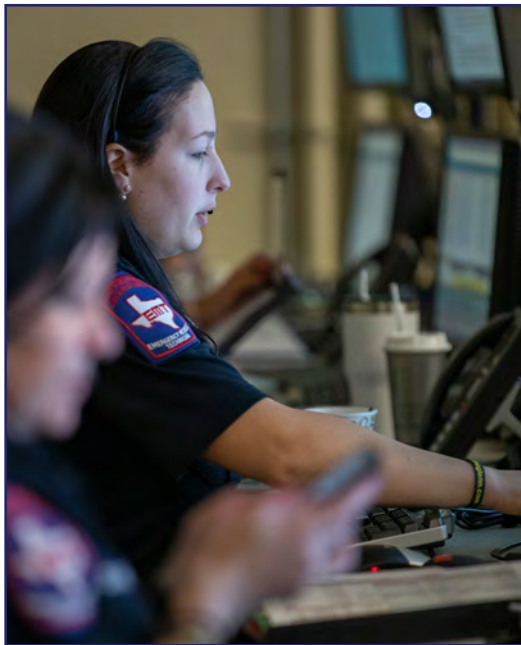
Infrastructure

During FY 2019, the division upgraded every 9-1-1 console in the region. This included replacing more than 250 call-taking consoles at 31 PSAPs, and the training PSAP and the Regional Back-Up Center (RBU) located at CAPCOG. In addition, technology updates and upgrades were completed on other key call-taking components of the 9-1-1 system.

The division continued transitioning regional systems to infrastructure that supports Next Generation 9-1-1 by converting the legacy 9-1-1 call routing function to an IP based platform; the more modern technology further improves the resiliency of the 9-1-1 infrastructure by increasing fault tolerance and creating alternate network paths to support added rerouting of emergency traffic.

Operations

Expansion of the RBU continued as CAPCOG partnered with the City of Austin to stand up an expanded technology facility that allowed servers to be relocated and created space for additional radio communications equipment. The overall goal is to increase call handling capacity for local jurisdictions' public safety agencies at the facility.



An emergency telecommunicator works in the regional backup center during a test activation.

Training

The division also increased the number and type of training courses offered during the year to include classes geared towards PSAP managers and directors. These innovating training opportunities included a multi-day leadership course from the University of Texas' LBJ School Management Development Program and a Center Manager Certification Program (CMCP) taught by the National



The Emergency Communications Staff

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Emergency Number Association. Both programs are designed to enhance and promote career longevity of the region's PSAP leaders. CAPCOG also added more sessions of the Spanish for Telecommunicator course to enhance the interaction between Telecommunicators and Spanish-speaking callers.

Outreach

Each year the division provides local jurisdictions with a wide range of public education materials about properly using and communicating with 9-1-1. In FY 2019, it focused a portion of its efforts on raising greater awareness of 9-1-1 related issues to Spanish-speaking and hearing-impaired communities. The division also provided educational materials that will last longer keeping the 9-1-1 message in front of the public for a greater time period. Messaging included "Call if you can, Text if you can't," the national awareness slogan for texting 9-1-1; and messaging that reinforces the practice of calling 9-1-1 for police, fire and medical emergencies.



A Remington instructor shows peace officers from around the region how to take apart a M700 rifle during an Regional Law Enforcement Academy course. The course was one of many specialized trainings the academy offered during 2019.

The Regional Law Enforcement Academy (RLEA) establishes a centrally managed method of delivering professional law enforcement education and training services to hone the many skills peace officers need and agencies want within the ten-county region. It provides cadet training and continuing education, or in-service, training to law enforcement and criminal justice personnel.

New In-service Training

RLEA received a \$29,000 grant from the Office of the Governor in 2019 to offer courses to help reduce violent crimes against women as well as help officers and investigators prosecute such crimes. The academy conducted courses, at no cost to agencies or officers, on the topics of investigating cyberstalking, investigating human trafficking, processing sexual assault crime scenes, and photographing family violence injuries.

Using its law enforcement expertise, RLEA ran public awareness classes on how people can prevent being a victim of cyberstalking and how to deter and combat sexual assailants. These

courses also were offered at no charge to the public. CAPCOG applied for the grant funding again for 2020 to continue the courses and received the funding.



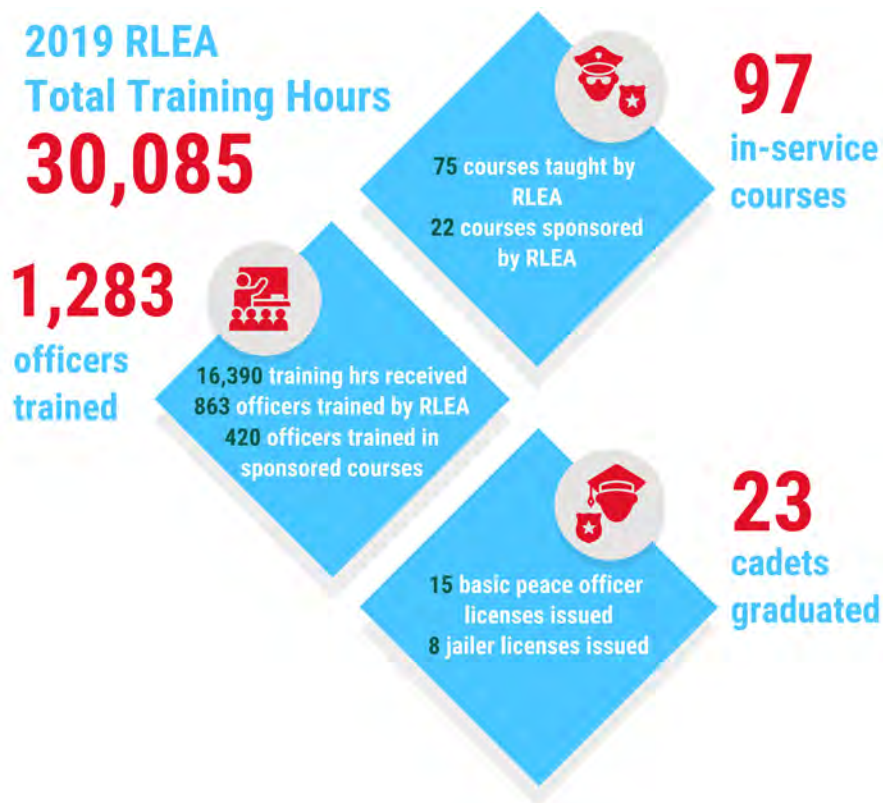
An investigator practices taking photos of simulated bruising on a model during RLEA's Photographing Family Violence course. The course is one of several the academy launched after receiving a Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division grant.

RLEA hosted Remington instructors to certify local law enforcement armorers on maintaining shotguns and M700 rifles to ensure agencies could keep their duty weapons serviceable. The in-depth training taught techniques for servicing, inspecting, troubleshooting, repairing, disassembling and

re-assembling these duty weapons. It also discussed factory authorized modifications.



The Regional Law Enforcement Academy Staff
Director Mike Jennings, Terri Kroeger, Roger Sprott



Also, the mainstay in-service courses were heavily scheduled during the last 8 months of the year to ensure all licensed peace officers access to the TCOLE mandated continuing education required during the two-year cycle. RLEA also offered canine encounters, basic instructors, and intermediate crime scene investigations.

In September 2019, RLEA began a partnership with the Texas Department of Agriculture to improve gas pump skimmer enforcement and prevent the theft of credit and debit card information. Through the partnership, the academy will conduct specialized training courses instructing peace officers on how to identify skimmers and collect evidence that can lead to the prosecution of criminals installing the devices on gas pumps. These courses also will focus on how officers and their departments can educate store owners on securing gas pumps and preventing them from being tampered with.

Cadet Training

During 2019, RLEA conducted one Basic Peace Officer Course (BPOC), a 6-month series of topics that prepares future peace officers. RLEA continues to boast a 100 percent pass rate on the TCOLE licensing exam on the first attempt. As FY 2019 closed, two BPOCs were

scheduled — day and evening courses — with full rosters and recruitment was underway for a third. Sponsored cadets include prospective officers for Caldwell County Sheriff's Office, San Marcos, Leander, Jonestown, Elgin and Austin Independent School District police departments along with several self-sponsored cadets.

RLEA also conducted four county-jailers courses out of Bastrop County. The course trains and certifies correctional officers on state and federal laws pertaining to law enforcement and specifically correctional facilities. It also focuses on inmate interactions and jailer and inmate safety.

General Assembly



Will Boettner, the fire education outreach coordinator with Travis County Fire Marshal's Office, speaks during a press conference to encourage residents to sign up for emergency alerts at WarnCentralTexas.org. The press conference was one of many ways CAPCOG and its local jurisdictions encouraged residents to register their cellphone numbers and email addresses into the regional notification system.

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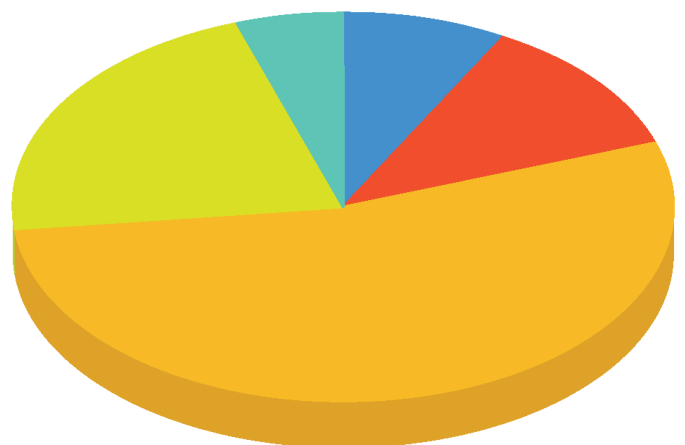
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2019 Unaudited Financial Summary

Revenue By Source

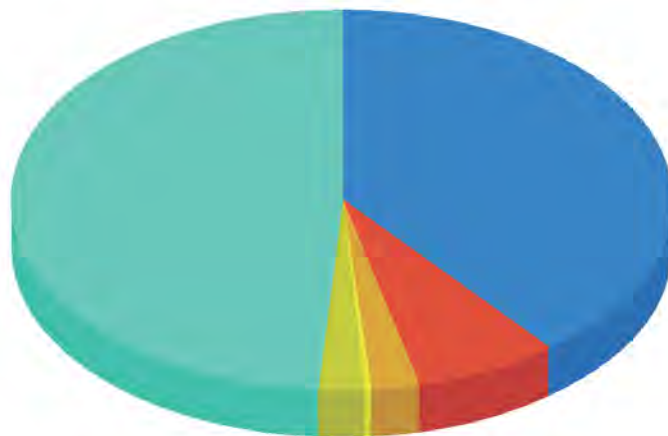


Local Third Party Match-Aging Emergency Communications
Federal State

Revenue by Source

Local	
Membership Dues	\$279,445.95
Contract Revenue	\$1,164,122.69
Tuition	\$109,363.53
Interest	\$570,276.75
Other	\$24,411.22
Subtotal	<u>\$2,147,620.14</u>
Third Party Match - Aging	\$3,101,173.88
Emergency Communications	\$14,316,559.59
Federal	\$5,771,723.26
State	\$1,392,104.39
Total Revenue by Source	<u><u>\$26,729,181.26</u></u>

Expenditures by Division



Aging and ADRC Regional Planning & Services
Regional Law Enforcement Academy (RLEA)
Administrative-Other Homeland Security
Emergency Communications

Expenditures by Division

Aging and ADRC	\$9,014,027.80
Regional Planning & Services	\$1,618,101.96
Homeland Security	\$511,488.27
RLEA	\$535,128.30
Emergency Communications	\$11,214,412.84
Administrative - Other	\$78,441.22
Total Expenditures by Division ..	<u><u>\$22,971,600.39</u></u>



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