

Uniting the Alamo Region

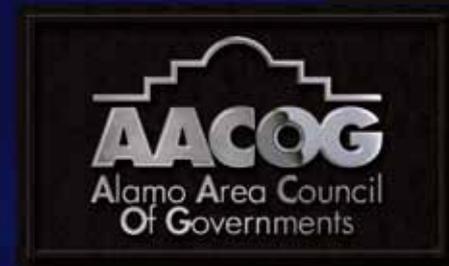


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Dear AACOG members and residents of the Alamo Region:

I am honored and humbled to have been selected to serve as the AACOG executive director. I accepted this role because I am convinced that AACOG must adapt to the changing circumstances that confront the region and each of its programs.

AACOG serves an important role in our region because we deliver over 20 programs providing a wide range of community services that benefit our member governments and enhance the lives of all residents in the Alamo Region. From assisting the elderly population and those who care for them to assisting law enforcement agencies that serve our region, AACOG is dedicated to coordinating regional planning and providing efficient delivery of public services by achieving economies of scale.

The most immediate concern is coping with diminished funding. There will be many forces communicating the importance of their agenda to the legislature during this challenging economic cycle. Our duty today is to promote the interests of our region...those who are less fortunate...those who are the most vulnerable through no fault of their own...those who are looking for assistance to make it through this economic downturn. AACOG must and will join with its partners and constituents in communicating this message.

The challenge that confronts each of us is how to allocate remaining revenue to address the greatest societal needs. AACOG remains committed to completing our mission regardless of the challenges that face our programs. The dedicated staff that serves our region will work together to find additional methods of collaboration, new funding sources, and any other means for meeting our goals.

With perseverance and devotion to duty, I am confident that AACOG will continue to make a positive difference in the lives of those who reside in the Alamo Region.

Sincerely yours,



Dean J. Danos
AACOG Executive Director

Dear AACOG members and residents of the Alamo Region:

The year of 2011 brought many new circumstances into our lives. Most notably, we hired Dean Danos as our fourth Executive Director and we witnessed the discovery and development of abundant energy resources, which provided business and commercial expansion during these challenging economic times.

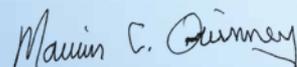
The Eagle Ford Shale geological formation will provide domestically produced oil and natural gas to reduce our nation's dependence on foreign energy sources. Yet, developing this critical resource will place additional demands on our water supply and has the potential to threaten the groundwater on which we depend.

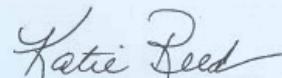
As the economy continues its slow recovery from a deep recession, AACOG's departments must find ways to continue program and service delivery to people who need assistance in the Alamo Region. The cruel irony is that as the poor economy creates more demand for public assistance, the same reduction in economic activity generates less revenue to allocate for the increased need for public assistance. Providing effective services for our vulnerable citizens was challenging before the financial crisis reduced the public funding stream. Now, AACOG is facing even more demand for assistance because of the growing number of people being hurt by the slow recovery. The challenge is to continue delivering services and supports to constituents and member governments with diminished funding from traditional revenue sources.

AACOG will continue to be the place where regional leaders meet to discuss the challenges that face the Alamo Region and to develop strategies for solving the demands that confront us. It is our pleasure to thank each of you for the part you play in meeting the needs of the Alamo Region. We are honored to be counted with you in providing the important leadership to solve the challenges that face our region and to make the choices that are required to place our communities at the vanguard of policy development and program implementation.

Thanks to all of you for taking time to work for those who are vulnerable, to promote public safety, and to enhance community development in the Alamo Region.

Sincerely yours,


Marvin C. Quinney
2011 Board Chairman
Wilson County Judge


Katie N. Reed
2011 Board Vice-Chair
Northside ISD Board Member



2011 Board
Vice Chair Katie N. Reed
and Chair Marvin C. Quinney

AACOG 2011 Board of Directors



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The Honorable Katie N. Reed, Board Vice-Chair, Northside ISD Board Member

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County Judge, Bandera County

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Mayor, City of Kerrville

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The Honorable Mike Wiggins
County Judge, Guadalupe County

The Honorable John Williams
Mayor, City of Universal City

The Honorable Kevin Wolff
County Commissioner, Bexar County



Service Coordination for Over 1,700 Individuals

Alamo Local Authority

The Alamo Local Authority (ALA) manages services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Bexar County. In 2011, the Intake and Eligibility program completed 537 intake applications and conducted 494 Eligibility Determination Assessments to allow individuals to be placed on the ALA interest list.

The Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services authorized ALA to enroll 178 individuals into the Texas Home Living program. This program offers non-residential services and supports to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

ALA completed a very successful first year operating the Home and Community-Based Services (HCS) program. HCS provides service coordination for over 1,700 individuals. During 2011, ALA added 275 people to the HCS program. As the Consolidated Waiver program is eliminated for Medicaid recipients, another 60 individuals will enter the HCS program.

The Community Living Options Information Process (CLOIP) informs residents in a State Supported Living Center (SSLC) and their legal guardians about the services and supports that are available to them in the community. The CLOIP Service Coordination Team assisted nine people in moving out of the SSLC where they lived and into community placements. There are another nine individuals pending who will receive the same consideration.



Provider Fair

Neighbor Helping Neighbor Expanded Into 4 More Counties



AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

Alamo Area Agency on Aging

The Alamo Area Agency on Aging (Alamo AAA) serves the 11 rural counties of the Alamo Region: Atascosa, Bandera, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Medina, and Wilson Counties. Alamo AAA provides a wide range of services to people 60 years or older and their caregivers.

These services include: (1) providing information that will help people identify and connect with the appropriate service agencies to meet their needs, (2) assisting Medicare beneficiaries with accessing their public benefits and entitlements, (3) coordinating local resources to support an individual's highest level of functioning, (4) assessing the needs of caregivers and informing them of available support services, (5) facilitating the availability of nourishing meals at congregate meal sites and delivering these meals to homebound seniors, (6) providing falls prevention classes, (7) advocating for residents of long-term care facilities, and (8) coordinating door-to-door transportation to nutrition sites, local medical services, and social service agency appointments.



In 2011, Alamo AAA received a two-year grant from the Baptist Health Foundation to facilitate creation of "Neighbor Helping Neighbor" programs in Atascosa, Guadalupe, Medina, and Wilson Counties. This program establishes Neighborhood Resource Coordination Groups that are responsible for identifying community resources and maintaining a base of volunteers to provide neighborhood support services. The goal is to reduce social and physical isolation among older Texans who are 65 and over in the rural counties.

Alamo AAA expanded "A Matter of Balance" classes into Atascosa, Gillespie, and Medina Counties. This class is now offered in all 11 rural counties of the Alamo Region. Volunteers have been trained to teach and conduct classes, and classroom locations have expanded through partnerships with Humana and Healthways insurance companies.



Done in a Day garden project at nursing home Alzheimer's Unit



Funded through the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services
Alamo Area Council of Governments



ASC Serves Seniors & Adults with Disabilities



With financial support from BAAA, Christian Senior Services delivers more than 3,000 meals each day to homebound seniors.

Bexar Area Agency on Aging

The Bexar Area Agency on Aging (Bexar AAA) uses funding from the Older Americans Act, the state, and other sources to deliver community-based services for individuals who are at least 60 years of age and their family caregivers. Bexar AAA accomplishes this mission through a combination of direct services, partnerships, contracts, and vendor agreements with a broad network of government, nonprofit, and for-profit agencies.



Bexar AAA also provides services to adults with disabilities and their caregivers through its Aging and Disability Resource Center, known as the Alamo Service Connection (ASC). ASC is an information, referral, and assistance service that operates a call center, a searchable website (www.askasc.org), and a focused community advocacy, outreach and education program.

The services that Bexar AAA delivers to the aging community includes case management; family caregiver support and respite; support for grandparents raising grandchildren; legal assistance; a mobility specialist advocating for better transportation systems for special needs individuals; Meals on Wheels; congregate meals; health-and-welfare home visits; health and wellness coaching, including Chronic Disease and Diabetes Self Management programs, a falls prevention program (Matter of Balance), and an automated Medication Management Improvement System (HomeMeds); Ombudsman Services (investigating and mediating complaints of nursing home residents about their care); and home modifications for safety and independent living, such as ramps, grab bars, heating, and air conditioning.



Volunteer and Bexar Senior Advisory Committee Member Sue Bell (pictured on left) counsels seniors and their caregivers on Medicare benefits.

Provides State Mandated Training for Peace Officers & Corrections Officers



PUBLIC SAFETY

Alamo Area Regional Law Enforcement Academy

The Alamo Area Regional Law Enforcement Academy (AARLEA) provides state mandated training for peace officers and corrections officers to qualify for state examination and employment in the Texas law enforcement profession. In 2011, the Basic Peace Officers Certification course trained 73 individuals and the Basic Corrections Officer Certification trained 22 individuals, with 73,712 total contact hours for both programs.

In addition, AARLEA provides continuing education for licensed peace officers, corrections officers, and telecommunications officers for both state-mandated training as well as courses within proficiency curriculum for certification in intermediate, advanced and master levels. The total number of law enforcement professionals trained was 6,005 and the total number of contact hours received was 67,439.

To improve training opportunities, AARLEA installed 64 computer work stations and 2 instructor work stations to enhance student learning and to give instructors more flexibility with visual learning and presentations. AARLEA also created a computerized testing bank to administer all block exams, mid-term, and final exams to students to reduce duplication costs.

Criminal Justice Planning

The Criminal Justice Planning program provides grant workshops, technical assistance in the grant process (including technical reviews), distribution of grant funding opportunities, assistance with reporting to the Governor's Office, and assistance with revising each county's Community Plan.

Criminal Justice Planning staff successfully completed 2,590 hours of technical assistance and provided grant management assistance to over 50 funded projects.

The AACOG Regional Youth Criminal Justice Education Program maintained funding from the Governor's Office and is offered in 15 schools of the Alamo Region.



AARLEA Cadet Class 2011B at AACOG's 10th anniversary commemoration of 9/11

Dedicated to Supporting the Alamo Region's First-Responders

Homeland Security & Emergency 9-1-1 Call Center Program

These programs are dedicated to supporting the Alamo Region's first-responders through disaster preparedness and answering citizens' calls for emergency services. These two related programs are "doing more with less" since state funding was reduced by \$1.2 million, a 60% decrease from FY 2010. Despite this hurdle, AACOG is committed to enhancing safety operations in the Alamo Region.

Homeland Security provides communities with technical assistance in planning for emergency preparedness by identifying potential safety threats and security weaknesses. It then assists in developing local emergency management plans to meet the identified needs. AACOG also equips and administers the 9-1-1 emergency call centers for seven rural counties in the Alamo Region – Atascosa, Bandera, Frio, Gillespie, Karnes, Kendall, and Wilson Counties.

In February, the AACOG Interoperability Communications Exercise Committee and Homeland Security staff met to discuss and plan a full-scale exercise – the "Hurricane Coastal Evacuation", which was held in May, 2011. Participants from state agencies and all 12 counties in the Alamo

Region met in Fredericksburg to test the region's interoperable communications capabilities and resource deployment during a National Incident Management System Type II event. Multiple disciplines and regional jurisdictions prioritized deployment and developed strategies for managing limited communications capability during a Type II incident. All required tasks were accomplished with the identification of system strengths and weaknesses. The most important result was identifying weaknesses and developing strategies for solving them before the next emergency arrives.



AACOG Regional Interoperability
Communications Plan Exercise

Outstanding Rural Transit System for 2011



REGIONAL SERVICES

Alamo Regional Transit

Alamo Regional Transit (ART) offers complete regional coverage and curb-to-curb service for any purpose. Transportation is commonly provided for medical appointments, shopping, employment, and school. ART is the primary Medicaid transportation provider in the Alamo Region. Rides to life-saving dialysis treatments are an important part of ART's daily service.

Although anyone may utilize ART, many riders are senior citizens or persons with disabilities. All of the ART buses are equipped with wheelchair lifts providing mobility options to persons who might otherwise have difficulty finding transportation. Medically-related trips are not the only reason seniors and people with disabilities use ART. Popular senior transportation includes traveling to adult day care programs and to senior centers. Senior centers use ART to transport their customers to special events and weekly shopping trips are popular in some communities. ART offers versatile options that are responsive to community needs. For example, transportation to after-school child care programs is popular in some communities.

The Texas Transit Association named ART the Outstanding Rural Transit System for 2011. ART strives to continually improve its service delivery system and demand for service continues to grow. In the past year, customer trips have increased by 50%. New additions to the fleet and newly-hired drivers add capacity. To help manage the volume of calls, federal stimulus funding was used to purchase new dispatch technology that makes transit delivery more efficient and effective.



ART recognized as Outstanding Rural Transit System

Economic Development

The Economic Development department annually hosts a "Newly Elected Officials" seminar and a "Planning & Zoning" workshop to inform and update local government officials of the requirements and duties of elected officials and any new legislation affecting local governmental entities or planning and zoning commissions. These classes are designed to improve regional communication through inter-agency collaboration and cooperation regarding economic development issues and projects.

Economic Development also facilitates the local scoring of regional applications for Texas Community Development Block Grants. In the FY 2010-2011 funding cycle, 24 applications were submitted by governmental entities in the Alamo Region.

As the AACOG representative on the South Texas Regional Training Center Steering Committee, Joe Ramos, AACOG's Senior Director of Regional Services, participated in the grand opening of this facility in Hondo, Texas on July 16, 2011.



South Texas Regional Training Center opens in Hondo

26 Grants Awarded to Governments in the Alamo Region

Resource Recovery

The Resource Recovery program maintains the solid waste management plan to reduce the amount of refuse deposited into landfills within the Alamo Region and serves as the main point of contact for solid waste issues in the region. Resource Recovery maintains a geographic information systems database of closed landfills, provides information about recycling and composting, and promotes training about local enforcement regulations. Resource Recovery allocates grant funding from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Solid Waste and Transportation Fund to local governments to help fund their efforts to promote recycling, increase composting, improve local enforcement of illegal dumping, and conduct community outreach programs.

In 2011, there were 26 grants awarded to governments in the Alamo Region. Eleven grants were given to seven different local governments for household hazardous waste and tire collection events, which is the most held in a single year since AACOG began administering the program

in 1996. In addition two local governments submitted their first grant applications for TCEQ pass-through grants, which demonstrates the utility of training assistance to improve participation. Several local governments held collection events that were not underwritten with TCEQ grant funding, such as the Bexar County recycling events.

Resource Recovery continues to work with the San Antonio Water System to promote the popular MedDrop collections where residents can dispose of unwanted medications. This growth in collection events and the willingness to pay for household hazardous waste and tire collections with local resources underscores the growing awareness of protecting the environment in the Alamo Region.



Medina County
Household Hazardous
Waste Collection Event.

Provides Services to Low-Income Households



Weatherization Assistance Program

The Weatherization Assistance program provides services to low-income households in the Alamo Region. It uses advanced technologies and techniques, such as weather-stripping, caulking, door sweeps, compact fluorescent light bulbs, low-flow showerheads, and improved insulation, to achieve the highest energy savings for each home that is weatherized. In addition to instant savings on utility bills, the weatherization benefits are long-lasting with measures yielding cost savings for at least 15 years.

The Department of Energy has determined that for every \$1 invested in weatherization, at least \$1.80 in energy-related benefits and \$2.40 in total benefits are realized. Weatherization is particularly important for low-income families because this population spends on average 17% of their income on energy costs in comparison to higher income households that only spend an average of 4% on energy-related costs.



Weatherization Inspector Rick Morales testing the carbon monoxide levels on a client's stove using a Combustion Gas Analyzer.



As an energy use-reduction and cost-savings program, the benefits are clear. Weatherization also contributes to the regional economy by creating local jobs for subcontractors and material suppliers. In 2011, partly as a result of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act stimulus funding, more than 2,000 homes in the Alamo Region were weatherized, infusing more than \$10 million into the local economy.

Universal City mayor John Williams and Ms. Eleanor Sult at Board Meeting, where Ms. Sult testified about weatherization services done in her home.

Monitoring the Impact of A Tremendous Opportunity for Economic Growth

Natural Resources

New oil and gas recovery technologies have opened an enormous supply of natural gas in the Eagle Ford Shale geological formation in southeastern Texas. Production from these reserves represents a tremendous opportunity for economic growth because natural gas burns cleaner than more traditional fossil fuels for powering cars and trucks, as well as in industrial and residential settings. Many view this discovery as an energy bridge to the future as we develop greater capacity in renewable energy sources.



Eagle Ford Shale Informational Meeting, co-hosted by AACOG and the City of Devine, for governmental officials throughout the Alamo Region.

However, local development of the Eagle Ford Shale geological formation also presents very challenging environmental demands regarding air pollution and the availability of potable water. In the midst of a continuing drought with record high temperatures, air and water remain our most valuable resources. Maintaining good air quality in relation to the current federal ozone standard remains a challenge in the AACOG region.

The Natural Resources department is undertaking an unprecedented effort to partner with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, the Environmentally Friendly Drilling System Program, and Texas A&M University to develop an inventory of ozone emission precursors that accompany oil and gas development. This partnership will accurately assess air quality risks associated with Eagle Ford Shale development. It is a natural expansion of the traditional technical analysis conducted by Natural Resources to understand the creation and reduction of ozone in the Alamo Region. The partnership will expand the use of Best Management Practices to reduce the negative impacts on air and water quality.

Reducing Dependency on Foreign Oil



Clean Cities

The Alamo Area Clean Cities Coalition works with governments and privately-owned fleet operators to provide technical and financial support for establishing alternative fueling stations and replacing conventionally-powered equipment and vehicles with those that use domestically-produced, cleaner-burning fuels. These cleaner technologies include electric, compressed natural gas, propane, Biofuel, and hydrogen fueled motors. The benefit of adopting these alternative technologies is reducing dependency on foreign oil and providing greater energy security for America and the Alamo Region. Clean Cities estimates that through its leadership 2,155,847 gallons of petroleum were displaced in 2011.

On October 27, 2011, the Alamo Area Clean Cities Coalition held the second annual San Antonio EV 2011: Electrification of Transportation Conference. Partners for the SAEV 2011 Conference included CPS Energy, the City of San Antonio, and the San Antonio Automobile Dealers Association (SAADA). This year's conference was held in conjunction with the SAADA'S International Auto and Truck Show, which featured a "Green Section" dedicated to electric vehicles and electric vehicle supply equipment. The purpose of SAEV 2011 was to advance transportation choices and economic development in the Alamo Region. The purpose of SAEV 2011 was to advance transportation choices and economic development in the Alamo Region.

The Alamo Area Clean Cities Coalition hosted several other events throughout the year for the various alternative fuels including a Biodiesel Workshop, an Ethanol Workshop, and a Commercial Propane Mower and Electric Vehicle event.



▲ Keynote luncheon presentation by Dr. Anthony Perl at the San Antonio 2011 Electric Vehicle Conference.



▲ Electrification of Transportation Conference attendees viewing the "Green Exhibit" at the 2011 San Antonio International Auto & Truck Show.

Panelist and attendees from the San Antonio 2011 Electric Vehicle Conference.



Educating the Community About Ways to Reduce Vehicle Emissions

Commute Solutions

The Commute Solutions program strives to improve air quality through educating the community about ways to reduce vehicle emissions, improve air quality, and use less gasoline. Commute Solutions makes presentations to schools, businesses, and other organizations on alternative transportation options and initiating school-based and employer-based carpools and vanpools.

School-based programs include the Walking School Bus program, which helps to connect parents who would like their children to walk to school in a group with an adult chaperone, the Bike Buddies program, which helps connect parents who would like their children to bike to school in a group with an adult chaperone, and the Green Patrol program, which enlists school children in helping convince their parents to stop idling vehicles while waiting for the children to be released from school because this practice wastes gas and worsens air quality outside of school buildings.

Individuals may take advantage of www.NuRide.com, a service ACOG began sponsoring in 2011, through which they may track trips they take by walking, biking, busing, carpooling, or vanpooling, along with trips they save through telecommuting and working a compressed schedule. Those who log trips through NuRide receive points toward coupons that can be redeemed for over 100 different goods and services from local businesses. Through this service, people can also search for potential carpool partners.



Fresh Air Friday 2011

Fresh Air Friday is an annual event hosted by Commute Solutions that draws attention to air quality issues and methods for reducing air pollution. Held on April 1, 2011, it attracted more than 500 people who work nearby to eat their lunch at Main Plaza in San Antonio rather than drive away at noon in their cars. The attendees heard informative talks and visited educational exhibits that reinforced an important way to reduce smog in the region, simply by driving less.

The Data Center is an established expert with GIS technology

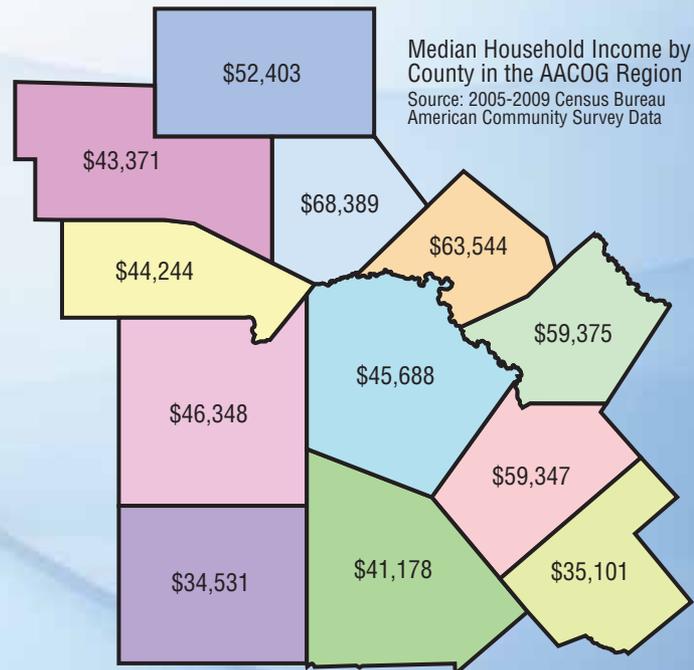


Regional Data Center

The Regional Data Center is an established expert with GIS technology and assists with data collection, technical support, mapping, and information services to promote future land use planning. Even though AACOG serves a broader role than is often expected of a council of governments, a central mission remains providing professional planning expertise to our regional governments. The basic issue that governments strive to answer is where future growth will occur so that they can plan for the placement of utilities, infrastructure, and public buildings.

Under contract with the San Antonio-Bexar County Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Data Center performs demographic modeling to anticipate future population and employment patterns for Bexar, Comal, Wilson, Guadalupe and Kendall Counties. One of the important projects for the MPO is producing the federally mandated Metropolitan Transportation Plan, which is reviewed and revised every five years. In 2011, the Data Center redrew the traffic analysis zone boundaries that are used to forecast population and employment growth to align its data collection methods with the changes that resulted from the 2010 Census.

The Regional Data Center works with member governments and other AACOG programs to quantify and graphically illustrate program information and operational data. For example, the Data Center was asked to draw proposed boundaries for a new emergency services district in Wilson County. The Data Center's unique capabilities are also utilized in support of the broad range of programs that AACOG operates.



Selected as the Best Performing Large Workforce Board in Texas

WORKFORCE & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Housing Rental Assistance

The Housing Rental Assistance program provides affordable housing information to citizens of the Alamo Region, collaborates with other agencies in the region to address housing program issues such as foreclosure prevention, and operates the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Housing Choice Voucher program for the 11 rural counties of the Alamo Region. The Housing Choice Voucher program assists eligible low-income households to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market. The program increased in size from an average of 74 households in 2010 to an average of 90 households in 2011. The applicant waiting list reopened from September 7 through September 30 in order to provide an opportunity for more residents of the Alamo Region to participate.

Career Centers

The Alamo Area Development Corporation, AACOG's non-profit arm that is used to facilitate its mission to serve residents in the region, contracts with Workforce Solutions-Alamo (WSA) to provide employment services in the 11 rural counties of the Alamo Region. The focus of Workforce Services is to enhance the regional economy through job creation, workforce education, and assisting businesses with staffing needs. Workforce Services was recently awarded three contracts by WSA. Two of these contracts are to continue operating its Rural Career Centers and performing Business Services. In addition, Workforce Services will manage Youth Employment Services for the 11 rural counties.

An important factor in Workforce Services' success is building and maintaining positive relationships with area employers. At the 15th Annual Texas Workforce Conference, WSA was selected as the Best Performing Large Board in Texas. WSA is the first large Workforce Board to win the award for four consecutive years – 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011.

WSA selected as Best Performing Large Board in Texas for fourth consecutive year



Assists Parents Who Are Seeking Quality Care for Their Children

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Child Care Services

The Alamo Area Development Corporation is also contracted by the City of San Antonio to provide childcare assistance in the 11 rural counties of the Alamo Region. The Rural Child Care Services program helps parents to pay for childcare while they work, attend school, or participate in an approved training program. On average, 2,380 rural children receive financial assistance for childcare each month. Child Care Services is co-located with Workforce Services in the rural Workforce Solutions-Alamo Career Centers.

Child Care Services assists parents who are seeking quality care for their children, coordinating this subsidized service with 179 regulated child care providers in the 11 rural counties of the Alamo Region, with 22 of these designated as Texas Rising Star providers. Child Care Services enrolled an average of 325 children per month with additional funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), which was in effect for 22 months, from September 2009 through June 11, 2011. Through planned budgeting, all eligible families receiving child care assistance from ARRA funding were able to continue receiving financial subsidy using the Child Care Development Fund once the program ended.

"Thanks CCS for providing me the opportunity to continue my education and earn my degree with the pleasure of knowing my child was provided with quality care," said Julia Duran, who graduated in June 2011 with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from UT Health Science Center in San Antonio. With the subsidized assistance she received from CCS, Ms. Duran was able to complete her schooling and progress toward self-sufficiency as an RN. She is pictured here on her graduation day with her daughter, Madeline, age 6.



COUNTIES

Atascosa
Bandera
Bexar
Comal
Frio
Gillespie
Guadalupe
Karnes
Kendall
Kerr
Medina
Wilson

CITIES

Alamo Heights
Balcones Heights
Bandera
Boerne
Bulverde
Castle Hills
Castroville
Charlotte
China Grove
Christine
Cibolo
Converse
Devine
Dilley
Elmendorf
Fair Oaks Ranch
Falls City
Floresville

Fredericksburg
Grey Forest
Helotes
Hill Country Village
Hollywood Park
Hondo
Jourdanton
Karnes City
Kenedy
Kerrville
Kirby
La Coste
La Vernia
Leon Valley

Live Oak
Lytle
Marion
Natalia
New Berlin
New Braunfels
Olmos Park
Pearsall
Pleasanton
Poteet
Poth
Runge
San Antonio
Schertz
Seguin
Selma
Shavano Park
Somerset

Stockdale
Terrell Hills
Universal City
Von Ormy
Windcrest

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Alamo Resource Conservation
and Development Area
Brooks Development Authority
Build San Antonio Green
El Oso Water Supply Corporation
Ferrell Gas
Greater San Antonio
Chamber of Commerce
McKamie Krueger LLC
Molina Healthcare
Perdue Brandon Fielder
Collins & Mott LLP
San Antonio Hispanic
Chamber of Commerce
San Antonio Mobility Coalition
Solar San Antonio
South Texas Regional
Water Alliance

HOSPITAL DISTRICTS

University Health System

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Bexar Metropolitan Water District
CPS Energy
San Antonio Water System

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Boerne ISD
Dilley ISD
Floresville ISD
Fredericksburg ISD
Northeast ISD
Northside ISD
Pearsall ISD
Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City ISD
Southwest ISD

SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION
DISTRICTS

Alamo Soil and Water
Conservation District
Atascosa County Soil and Water
Conservation District
Kendall County Soil and Water
Conservation District

SPECIAL DISTRICTS

Alamo Colleges
Alamo Regional Mobility Authority
Bexar County Emergency
Services District No. 6
Edwards Aquifer Authority
Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority
San Antonio River Authority
VIA Metropolitan Transit

Alamo Area Council of Governments
 2012 Annual Budget
 Effective January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012



Revenues	2012 Budget
Federal	\$18,108,653
State	\$7,307,029
Local / Medicaid / MAC / UHS	\$7,023,091
Delegate Agency Match (In-kind, Cash, PI)	\$5,230,161
Indirect Carry Forward (2011)	\$76,291
Program Income / Interest	\$332,285
AACOG Member Dues	\$296,993
Total Revenues	\$38,374,503
Administration	\$2,245,190
AADC-Workforce / Child Care	\$2,672,771
Air Quality	\$430,779
Alamo AAA	\$3,798,155
Alamo AAA-Misc Neighbor Helping Neighbor	\$0
Alamo Local Authority (ALA) Formerly BMRA	\$7,478,899
Bexar AAA	\$9,620,666
Bexar AAA-Misc.	\$156,339
Commission on State Emergency Communications	\$809,478
Commuter Solutions / Clean Cities	\$313,845
Criminal Justice	\$716,052
Data Center	\$3,111
Government Services	\$79,253
Homeland Security	\$327,193
HUD Section 8	\$579,822
Local	\$51,738
Metropolitan Planning Organization	\$258,120
Transportation Special Projects (Business Plan /Regional Coordination Planning)	\$71,438
Resource Recovery	\$337,925
Rural Public Transportation	\$6,233,120
Weatherization Assistance	\$2,608,000
Projected Fund Balance Decrease	\$(417,390)
Total Program Expenditures	\$38,374,503



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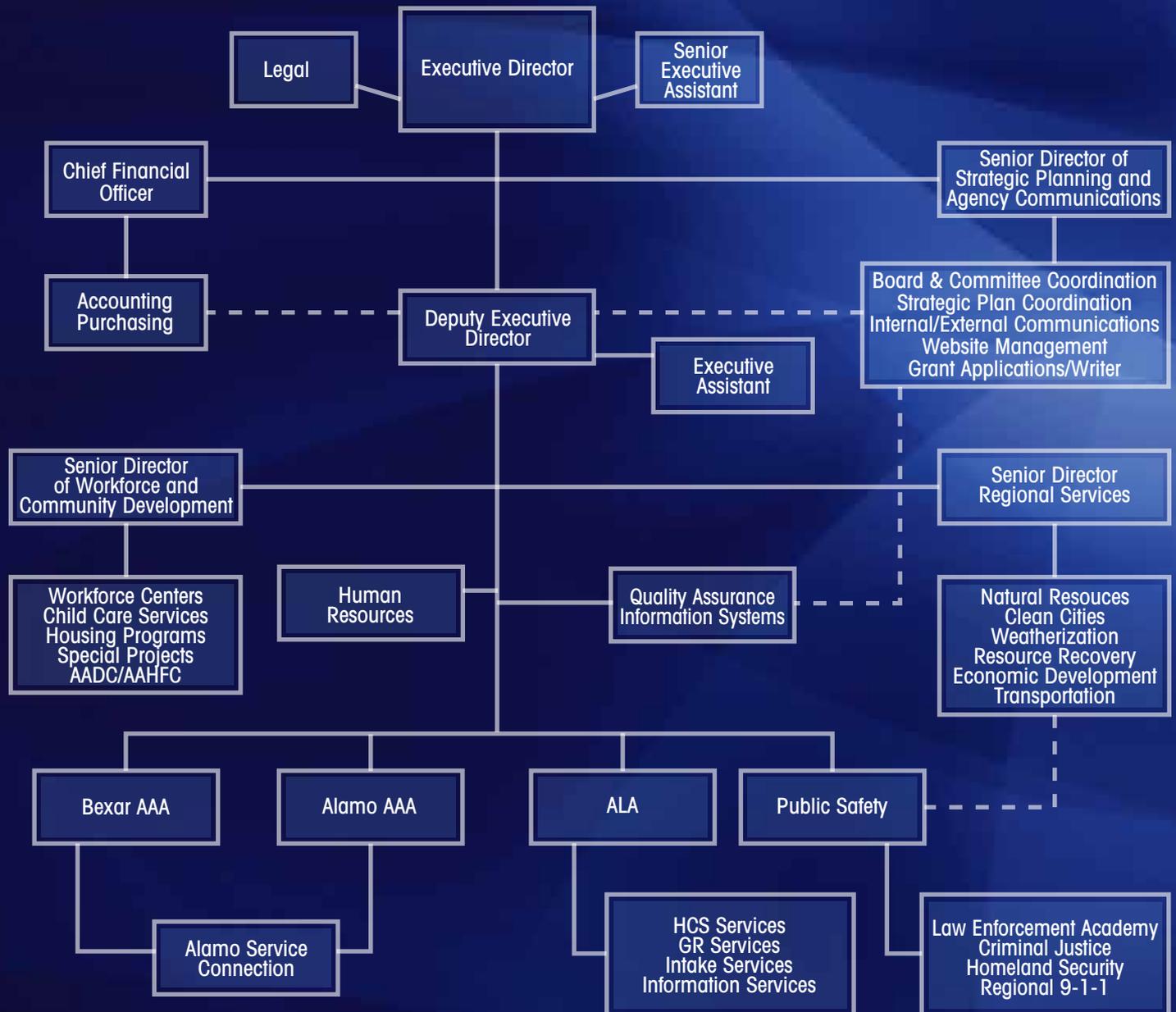
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