

# TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS

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## **POPULAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

**For the Fiscal Year  
Ended September 30, 2022**

**Patti Smith, CPA  
Travis County Auditor**



# COVER PROFILE

## Pace Bend Park

Pace Bend Park is located in far western Travis County in the Hill Country of central Texas. With more than nine miles of shoreline along scenic Lake Travis, Pace Bend is one of the most popular areas in the Highland Lakes region, offering visitors a wide range of recreational opportunities. The west side of the park features high, limestone cliffs and numerous rocky coves with some of the most impressive views available of Lake Travis, especially at sunset.



Most of Pace Bend Park is easily accessible by vehicle from the six-mile, paved roadway that loops the park. However, the interior of the park is managed as a wildlife preserve and can be reached by foot, bicycle, or horseback only. Numerous trails lead into the hills and provide excellent views of the lake and the Hill Country. This area serves as home to a large number of whitetail deer, raccoon, fox, ringtail cat, and dozens of bird species.

Pace Bend Park is popular for camping on the cliffs overlooking Lake Travis, swimming on a beach, boating, and exploring the Hill Country beauty with miles of hike, bike, and equestrian trails.

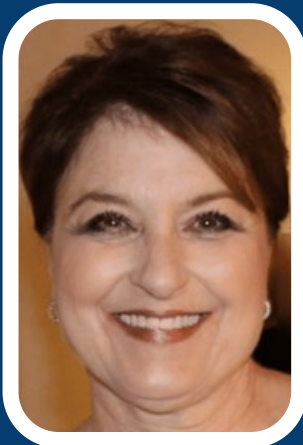
### Activities and Amenities

- Barbecue grills
- Fire rings
- 3 boat ramps
- Fishing
- 20 improved campsites
- Designated swim coves
- Picnic tables
- Unpaved multi-use trails

# LETTER FROM THE AUDITOR

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*Message from the County Auditor:*

I am pleased to present the Travis County Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022. The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the County’s finances in a format that is readable and easy to understand. The PAFR is designed to provide a summary of the County’s financial position, as well as an overview of economic, demographic, and other trends in the local economy.

The PAFR was prepared by the Travis County Auditor’s Office and was generated using financial information taken from the fiscal year 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) that was audited by Atchley & Associates, LLP. The audit of the ACFR received an unmodified opinion, which indicates that the financial statements are prepared according to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and are free of material misstatements concerning the overall financial position of the County.

The PAFR summarizes and simplifies the information contained in the ACFR but is not intended to replace it. The ACFR contains the full financial statements and note disclosures for all activities, funds, and component units, prepared in accordance with GAAP. Information in the PAFR is unaudited and not in accordance with GAAP due to its condensed and simplified presentation.

For a complete set of County financials, please refer to the ACFR, which is available on the Travis County website at <https://financialtransparency.traviscountytexas.gov/FinancialDocuments>. I invite you to share any questions, concerns, feedback or recommendations you may have by contacting us at 512-854-9125.

Sincerely,

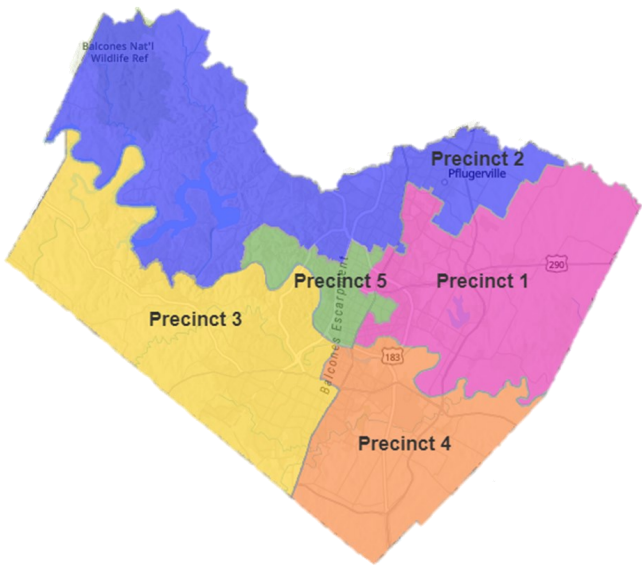
A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patti Smith".

Patti Smith, CPA  
Travis County Auditor

# COMMISSIONERS COURT

As a group, the commissioners and county judge are the chief policy-making and administrative branch of county government. Among their many functions, the court sets the tax rate, determines fees for many county services, and determines how the collected revenues will be distributed among different county departments to provide services to the community. You may contact the court at any time via email at:

[commissioners-court@traviscountytexas.gov](mailto:commissioners-court@traviscountytexas.gov)



Commissioners Court meetings are held on designated Tuesdays at 9:00am. View the Travis County Clerk's video-on-demand meeting portal which contains the agenda, supporting documents, minutes, and video for each Commissioners Court meeting.

<https://traviscotx.civicclerk.com/web/home.aspx>

The public comment line number is:  
1 (800) 304-1055



Andy Brown  
County Judge



Brigid Shea  
Precinct Two



Margaret Gómez  
Precinct Four



Jeff Travillion  
Precinct One



Ann Howard  
Precinct Three

Watch Commissioners Court TCTV Channel 17 or online at:

<https://countyclerk.traviscountytexas.gov/departments/commissioners-court/>

# ECONOMIC CONDITION

For many years, Travis County was known largely for two things, state government and the University of Texas. But now tech investments also represent a major source of capital and job growth for the County. A broad economic base composed of real estate, leisure and entertainment, medical, and technology sectors, as well as a sizable federal, state, and local government presence, provides a strong base for economic growth.

## TOP TEN EMPLOYERS

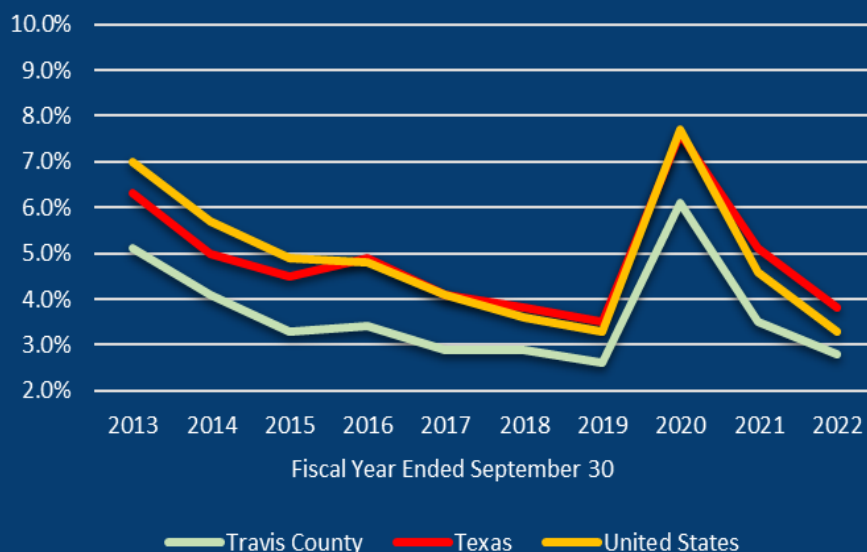
- State of Texas
- The University of Texas/Austin
- HEB Grocery Co.
- City of Austin
- Dell, Inc.
- Federal Government
- Ascension Texas
- Amazon.com, LLC
- St. David's Healthcare
- Austin Independent School District



Travis County is the home of the State's flagship university, the University of Texas at Austin, as well as other institutions of higher education such as St. Edward's University and Austin Community College.

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, Travis County enjoyed a relatively stable economy for over a decade. Although the pandemic caused unemployment rates to spike during 2020, the County has consistently experienced unemployment rates lower than the state and national rates, with local jobless rates hovering near two-decade lows throughout 2019. Additionally, the County experienced steady employment growth up until 2021, when lingering effects of the pandemic caused employment to decrease slightly. Employment rebounded and surpassed pre-pandemic levels during fiscal year 2022, rising 10.1%.

## Unemployment Rate



## Travis County

- ◆ 1,022.1 square miles in central Texas (989.3 of land and 32.8 of water)
- ◆ 200 miles south of Dallas/Fort Worth
- ◆ 160 miles west of Houston
- ◆ 80 miles northeast of San Antonio

Also contributing to the County's growth is the mild climate of the area. With an average temperature of 67.5 degrees, Travis County provides an excellent environment for the many music events, sports activities, and outdoor events that take place each year, all of which contribute substantially to the area's economy.



67.5<sup>0</sup> F = Average temperature

42<sup>0</sup> F = Average low in January

97<sup>0</sup> F = Average high in August

34 inches = Average yearly rainfall

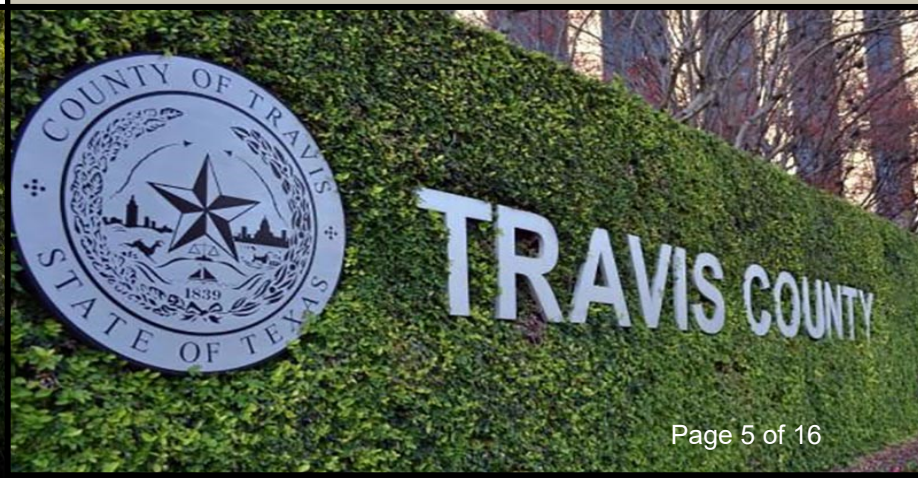
270 days = Growing season

The Austin area has a lively and diverse leisure industry, which includes the MLS club, Austin FC, and the Texas Stars, the top affiliate of the National Hockey League's Dallas Stars. Also here are University of Texas sports teams, the Austin Spurs of the NBA G League, and Triple-A baseball.

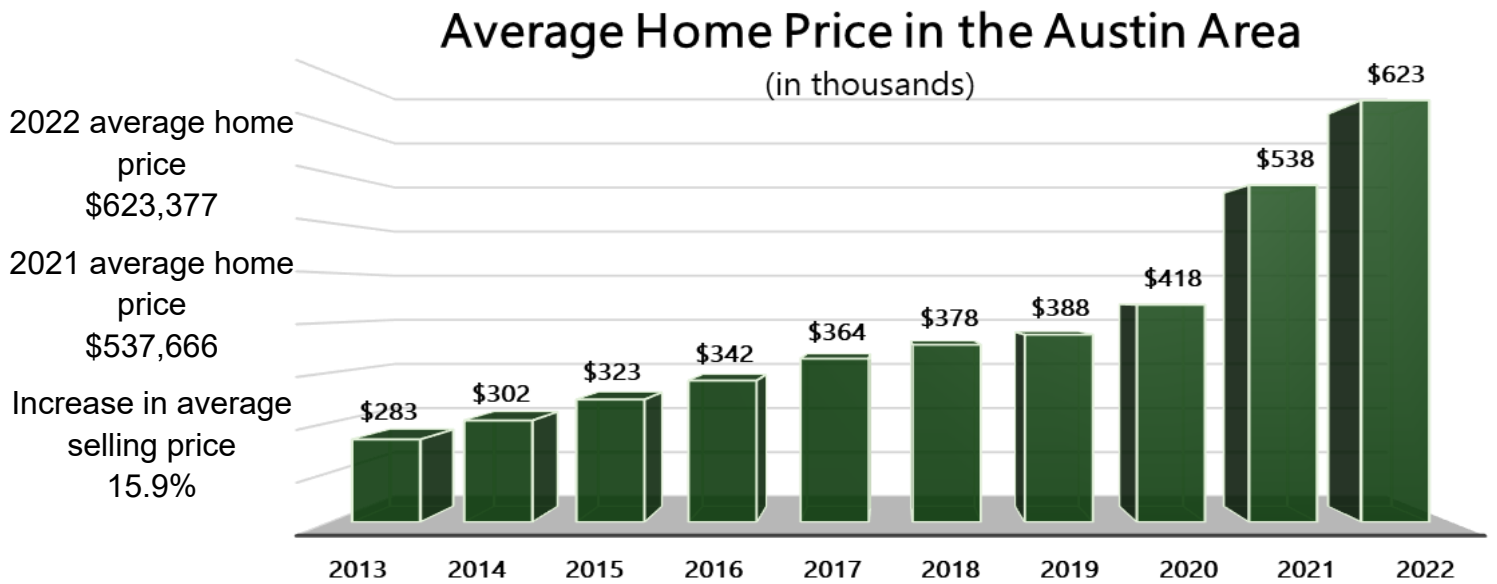
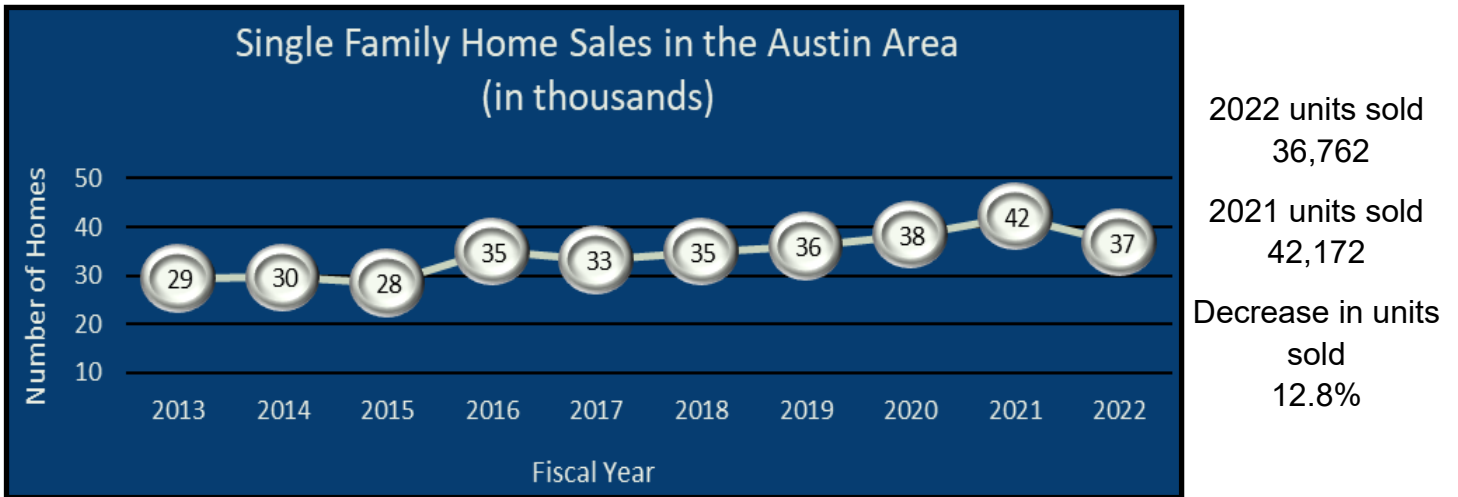
Austin has long been called the "Live Music Capital of the World", in part due to the South by Southwest Music Festival (SXSW) held each spring and the Austin City Limits Festival (ACL) held in the fall. In addition, Austin has many live music venues, a number of which are located in the famous downtown East Sixth Street Entertainment District.



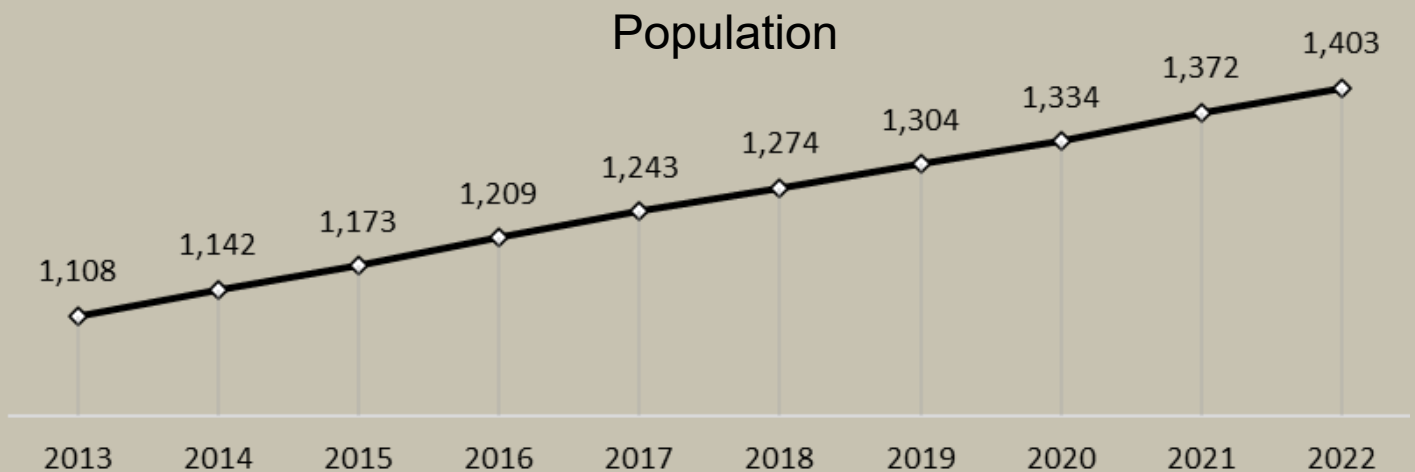
U.S. News & World Report lists Austin as the number one best place to live in Texas 2022-2023. LinkedIn shows Austin, throughout 2022, as the top U.S. city for member migration. Austin ranks first as WalletHub's best college town for large cities in 2022 and as the number one overall state capital. The Wall Street Journal ranked Austin as the top hottest big city labor market. And the Milken Institute has Austin second in its list of Best Performing Large Cities in 2022 based on economic resilience and opportunity.



In fiscal year 2022, the number of housing units sold in the Austin area decreased 12.8% to 36,762, compared to fiscal year 2021. Site development permits issued also decreased 24.2% to 3,610. However, the average selling price of homes increased 15.9% to \$623,377.



The Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), which includes all of Travis County, continues to grow at a dramatic pace, surpassing the two million-person mark in the fall of 2015, according to the City of Austin demographer. US Census indicates that Travis County population will grow by 96% from 2010-2050. As of 2022, the population has increased by 27% from 2013.



# TRAVIS COUNTY HISTORY

**August 9, 1809** – William Barret Travis, namesake of Travis County, is born.

**March 2, 1836** – The Texas Declaration of Independence is adopted at Washington-on-the-Brazos, establishing the Republic of Texas.

**March 6, 1836** – William Barret Travis dies at the Alamo.

**August 1, 1839** – The first sale of town lots in the new capital of the Republic, which is named for Stephen F. Austin, is held.

**December 27, 1839** – The City of Austin is created by the Republic of Texas Congress.



William B Travis

**January 19, 1840** – Austin is approved as the capital of the Republic of Texas.

**January 25, 1840** – Travis County is established by the Republic of Texas Congress.

**February 21, 1840** – The first election for County officials is held. Recorded population was 856.

**February 28, 1845** – The Republic of Texas is annexed by the United States.

**December 29, 1845** – Texas becomes the 28th state.

**1855** – The first official Travis County Courthouse is constructed at 4th and Guadalupe (demolished in 1906).

**1876** – The second Travis County Courthouse is constructed at 11th and Congress Avenue (decommissioned in 1931, demolished in 1964).

**April 14, 1930** – Judge George S. Mathews and the Commissioners Court buy land at 10th and Guadalupe for the construction of the third Travis County Courthouse.

**October 20, 1930** – The cornerstone is laid for the third (and current) Travis County Courthouse and officially opens June 1931.



1876 Courthouse



Cornerstone unveiling 1930

**June 15, 1935** – A flood which covers much of downtown Austin prompts the creation of the Lower Colorado River Authority and the building of several dams.

**May 16, 1946** – Heman Marion Sweatt files suit against University of Texas President T.S. Painter in Travis County District Court, challenging the policy of racial segregation in schools.

**June 5, 1950** – U.S. Supreme Court rules in the Sweatt v Painter case that the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment requires that Sweatt be admitted to the University of Texas Law School.

**October 21, 2005** – The Travis County Courthouse is renamed the Heman Marion Sweatt Travis County Courthouse.



Heman Marion Sweatt

# COUNTY FUNCTIONS

## **General Government**

This category includes the County Judge and County Commissioners, administrative, financial, and physical support for the County's "line" offices/departments, the Tax Office, Risk Management, the Employee Health Benefit Fund, Civil Service Commission, Election Administration, and certain recording duties of the County Clerk.

## **Public Safety**

Public Safety includes activities associated with the protection of persons and property within the County including direct enforcement of State statutes. Offices and departments included in this category are the Constables, the Medical Examiner, and divisions of the Sheriff's Office dedicated to law enforcement and public safety. Also included are Emergency Services, Fire Marshal, and Criminal Justice Planning, which provide services for the Combined Transportation, Emergency and Communications Center (911 Call Center).

## **Health and Human Services**

Activities designed to provide healthcare related services to those in need and promote the conservation and improvement of public health are included in this category. The County provides public assistance (assistance with food, rent, and utility expenses) through its Health and Human Services Department to eligible indigents, including military veterans. The Agriculture Extension Service is also included in this category, as is the Emergency Medical Services Department, which is comprised of StarFlight and ground ambulance services.

## **Justice System**

Activities in this category are associated with the judicial responsibilities of the County. It includes the costs for the County's court systems (Civil Courts and Criminal Courts, which include indigent attorney fees, Probate Court, Juvenile Court, and the Justice of the Peace Courts) and associated offices/departments or parts thereof: District Clerk, County Clerk, District Attorney, County Attorney, the Dispute Resolution Center, Criminal Justice Planning, and the Law Library.

## **Corrections and Rehabilitation**

This category includes activities associated with confinement, probation, counseling, and other related programs available for adult offenders. The Sheriff is in charge of the County jail and County corrections center. Also under this classification are the Community Supervision and Corrections Department (adult probation), Pretrial Services, and the Counseling and Educational Services Department, which was created to counsel and correct the behavior of offenders.

## **Infrastructure and Environmental Services**

Activities in this category are associated with the development and maintenance of the County's transportation systems, subdivision platting and review, conservation and development of natural resources, and activities associated with providing sanitation services within the County through the Transportation and Natural Resources Department.

## **Community and Economic Development**

Included in this category are activities for providing economic development in the County and cultural, recreational, and educational activities for the benefit of County residents and visitors. Specifically, the County owns and operates the Travis County Exposition Center and, in conjunction with the State of Texas, operates the Travis County Historical Commission. In addition, the County operates many parks which provide facilities for picnics, hiking, camping, swimming, boating, soccer, baseball, and equestrian activities.

# PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are the largest source of revenue for Travis County and represent 81% of revenue for governmental activities. Adopted tax rate for fiscal year 2022 was \$0.357365 per \$100 valuation. This consisted of \$0.307311 for maintenance and operations (M&O) and \$0.050054 for Debt Service.

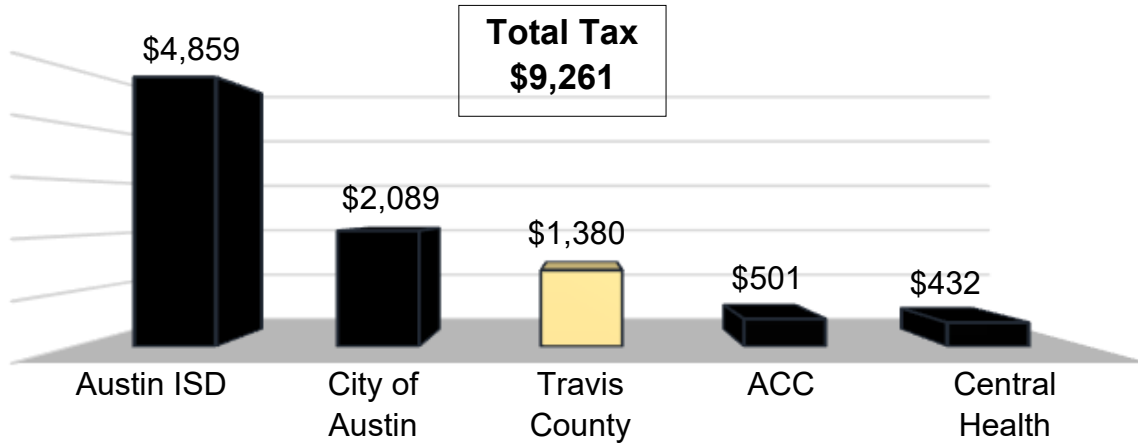
### Tax Rates per \$100 Taxable Value

	FY22	FY21	FY20	FY19	FY18
M&O	\$0.307311	\$0.316512	\$0.312263	\$0.3079	\$0.3143
Debt Service	0.050054	0.057847	0.057030	0.0463	0.0547
<b>Total Tax Rate</b>	<b>\$0.357365</b>	<b>\$0.374359</b>	<b>\$0.369293</b>	<b>\$0.3542</b>	<b>\$0.3690</b>

### Travis County Exemptions

- Homestead: 20%
- Disability: \$100,000
- Over 65: \$100,000
- Disabled Vet: up to \$12,000 or 100% if 100% disabled

### FY22 Property Tax Bill for Travis County Homestead Valued at \$482,670

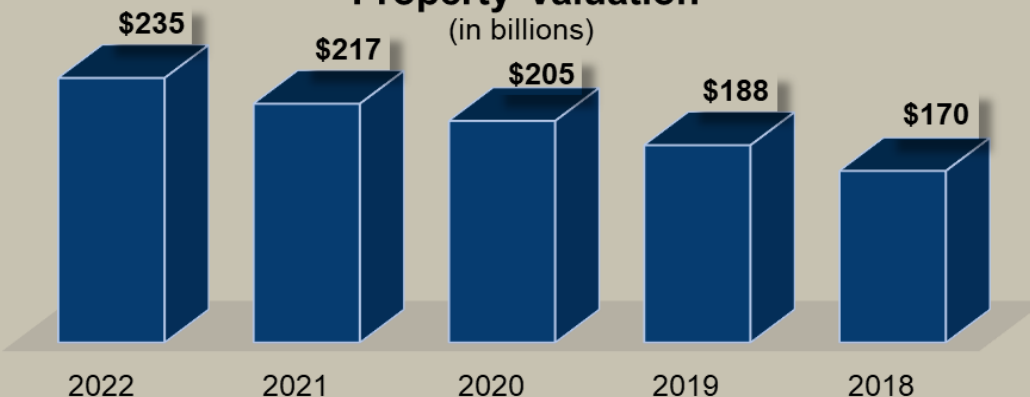


Total value of the County property on the tax roll was approximately \$235,068,847,825 (net of exemptions) and produced a total levy of \$840,386,932, excluding blended component units.

The County's net assessed property valuation for fiscal year 2022 increased 8.2% compared to fiscal year 2021.

### Travis County Net Taxable Assessed Property Valuation

(in billions)



### Travis County Top Ten Taxpayers

1. CSHV Properties
2. Samsung Austin Semiconductor
3. Cousins Properties
4. Columbia/St. David's Healthcare System, LP
5. Oracle America, Inc.
6. Apple, Inc.
7. Icon IPC TX Property Owner
8. GW Block 23 Office, LLC
9. Finley Company
10. BBP Alphabet MF Riata LP

# FINANCIAL POSITION

## GOVERNMENT-WIDE

The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the financial position of the County. They include a *Statement of Net Position* and a *Statement of Activities*. Both of these statements are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. This accounting method produces a view of financial position similar to that presented by most private-sector companies.

The government-wide financial statements include not only the County itself (known as the *primary government*), but also legally separate entities known as *component units*, which are blended into the County's financial statements.

### **Statement of Net Position**

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all County assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, and deferred inflows with the difference reported as *net position*. The analysis of net position over time may serve as a useful indicator of whether the County's overall financial position is improving or deteriorating.

For the government-wide financial statements, restricted net position represents assets that have externally imposed restrictions by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Assets may also be restricted as imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Net investment in capital assets represents capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and is reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, certificates of obligation, and other debt that is attributed to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

### NET POSITION BY FISCAL YEAR

(in millions)

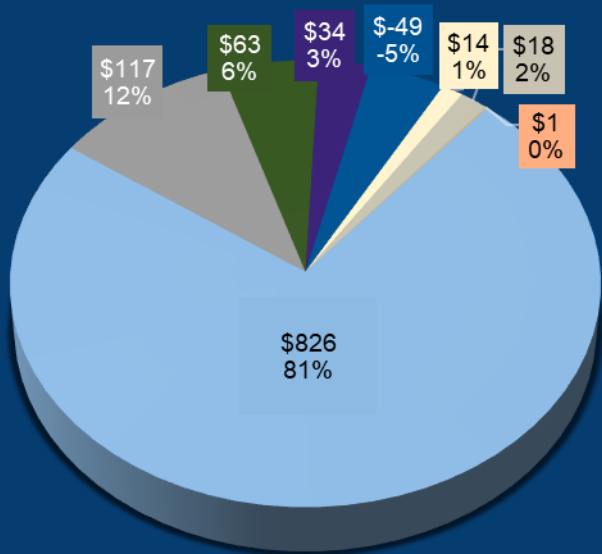
	2022	2021	2020
<b>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>			
Current and other assets	\$ 1,513	\$ 1,378	\$ 1,225
Capital assets (net of depreciation)	1,998	1,839	1,677
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>3,511</b>	<b>3,217</b>	<b>2,902</b>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>379</b>
Current liabilities	368	250	145
Noncurrent liabilities	1,812	2,443	2,551
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2,180</b>	<b>2,693</b>	<b>2,696</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>74</b>
Net investment in capital assets	1,275	1,180	1,099
Restricted	83	72	55
Unrestricted	(549)	(605)	(643)
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 809</b>	<b>\$ 647</b>	<b>\$ 511</b>
<b>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES</b>			
Current and other assets	\$ 30	\$ 40	\$ 23
Capital assets	74	46	17
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>40</b>
Current liabilities	13	16	4
Noncurrent liabilities	-	57	28
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Net investment in capital assets	2	1	-
Capital contribution—minority interest*	-	-	-
Unrestricted	17	12	8
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ 19</b>	<b>\$ 13</b>	<b>\$ 8</b>

\*Fiscal year 2020 rounds to zero in millions. Fiscal years 2022 and 2021 are zero.

## Statement of Activities

The *Statement of Activities* presents the County's revenues and expenses for the period, with the difference between the two resulting in the current year *change in net position*. A change in net position is reported when the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of the related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses reported in this statement may result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

**FY 2022 Revenues by Source  
Governmental Activities  
(in millions)**



- Property taxes
- Fees, fines, and charges for services
- Operating grants, contributions, shared revenues, and entitlements
- Capital grants, contributions, and donated assets
- Investment earnings
- Miscellaneous
- Excise taxes from the State of Texas
- Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES BY FISCAL YEAR

(in millions)

	2022	2021	2020
<b>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>			
Program revenues	\$ 213	\$ 234	\$ 186
General revenues	811	838	800
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>1,024</b>	<b>1,072</b>	<b>986</b>
General government	249	312	321
Justice system	153	159	164
Public safety	98	107	98
Corrections and rehabilitation	130	140	148
Health and human services	102	89	72
Infrastructure and environmental services	69	67	75
Community and economic development	20	19	18
Interest on long term debt	41	43	40
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>936</b>	<b>936</b>
<b>INTERFUND ACTIVITY*</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Change in net position	162	136	50
Net position—beginning of year	647	511	461
<b>NET POSITION – END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 809</b>	<b>\$ 647</b>	<b>\$ 511</b>
<b>BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES</b>			
Program revenues	\$ 18	\$ 27	\$ 5
General revenues**	1	-	-
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>5</b>
Affordable housing	13	22	2
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>INTERFUND ACTIVITY*</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Change in net position	6	5	3
Net position—beginning of year	13	8	5
<b>NET POSITION – END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 19</b>	<b>\$ 13</b>	<b>\$ 8</b>

\*Amounts round to zero in millions.

\*\*Fiscal years 2021 and 2020 round to zero in millions.

## **GENERAL FUND**

The General Fund is Travis County's chief operating fund. It is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The General Fund Financial Statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting.

### ***Fund Balance***

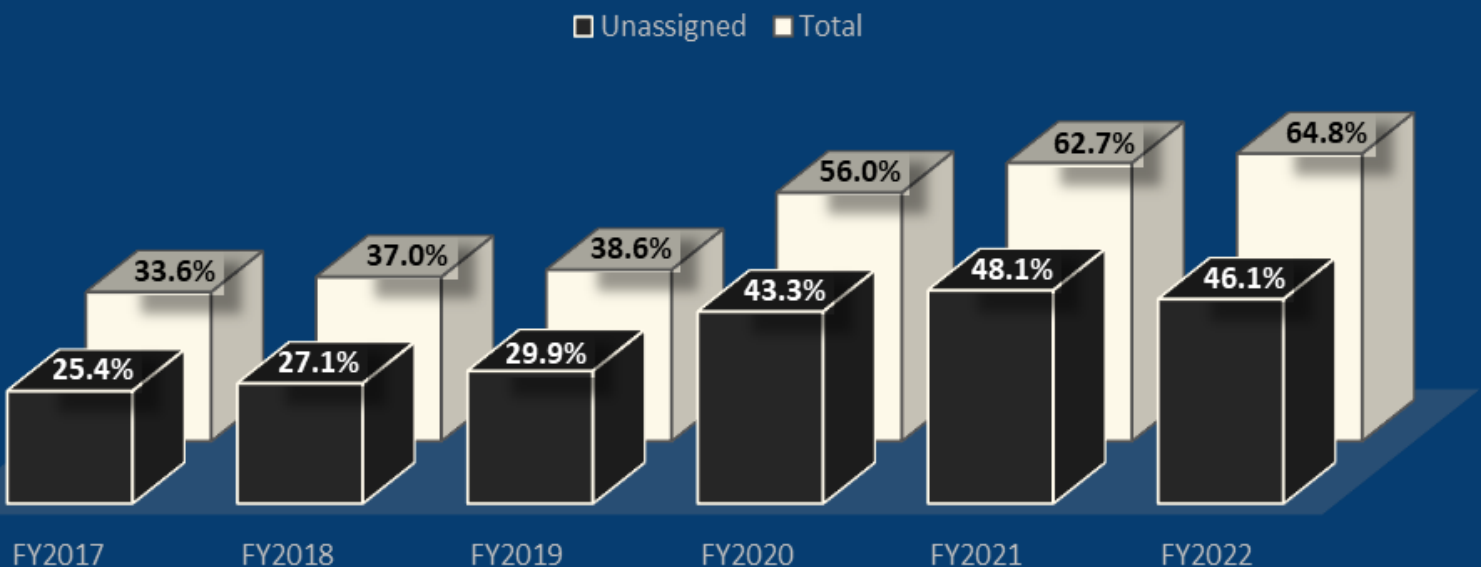
At the end of the current fiscal year, the County's General Fund reported an ending fund balance of approximately \$475.1 million, which was an increase of \$32.2 million, or 7.3%, compared to fiscal year 2021. Approximately \$338.1 million of the total ending fund balance is available for future use. The remaining fund balance consists of \$0.3 million that is non-spendable items, \$14.5 million restricted by specific legal requirements, and \$122.2 million that is committed to specific types of expenditures.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Fund Balance} &= \\ &\text{Assets} - \text{Liabilities} \\ &- \text{Deferred Inflows} \end{aligned}$$

*Fund Balance represents the difference between assets and liabilities and deferred inflows of any given fund. The General Fund reports four components of fund balance designed to show constraints on how resources in the fund can be spent and to show the sources of those constraints.*

As a measure of the General Fund's liquidity, it can be useful to compare both unassigned and total fund balance to total fund expenditures (including other financing uses). The chart below shows how the General Fund's liquidity measurement has performed over the past five years.

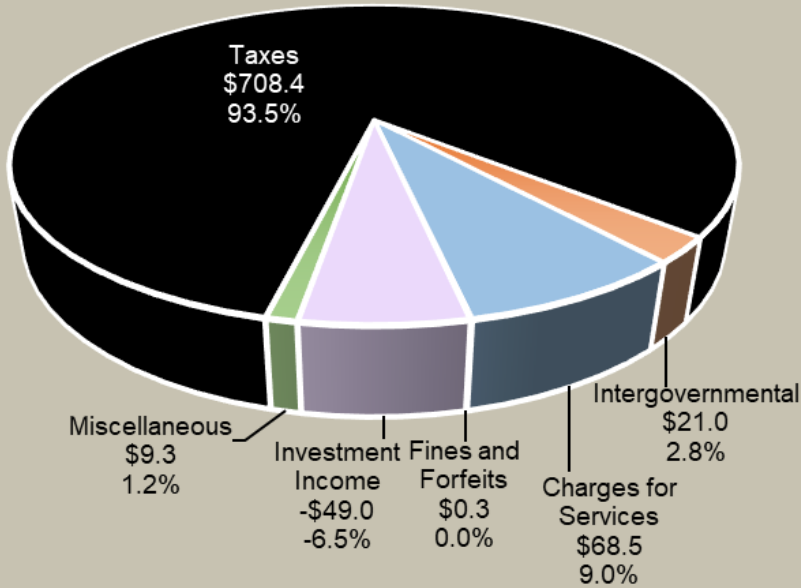
## FUND BALANCE AS A % OF EXPENDITURES



## Revenues

Property taxes represent the largest source of funds for the County and at the end of fiscal year 2022 were 93.5% of total revenue. Property tax revenue increased \$34.4 million due to new construction and adopting a Maintenance & Operations (M&O) tax rate 3.54% above the No-New-Revenue M&O tax rate.

**FY22 General Fund Revenues**  
(in millions)



Revenue increases were offset by a \$49.0 million decrease in Investment Income. The decrease in the net change in fair value on investments was a result of increases in the Federal Reserve interest rate which created earning decreases under the Yield-to-Maturity method.

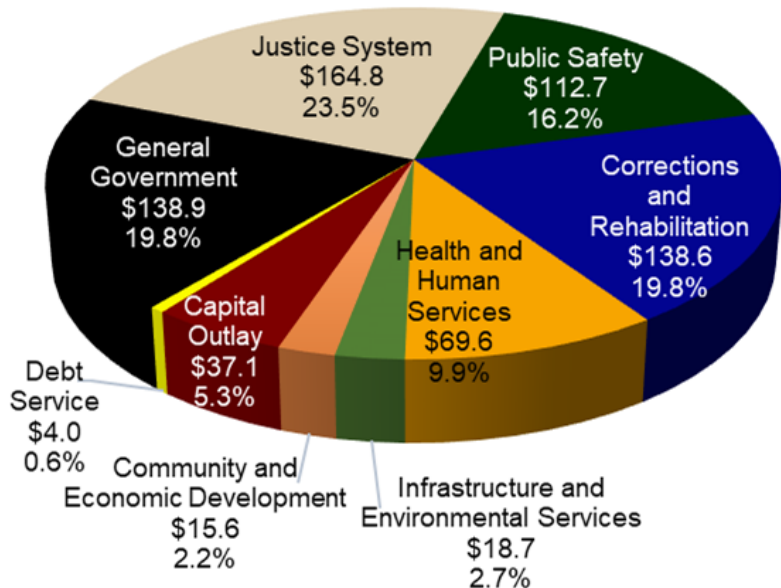
The remaining revenue categories are: Charges for Services, Intergovernmental, Fines and Forfeits, and Miscellaneous. The chart to the left shows the breakdown of each category of revenue as a percentage of total revenue.

## Expenditures

As depicted in this chart, Justice System, Corrections and Rehabilitation, and General Government, are the largest uses of County funds. These are followed by Public Safety, Health and Human Services, Capital Outlay, Infrastructure and Environmental Services, Community and Economic Development, and Debt Service.

For more information on General Fund revenue and expenditures, please see Management's Discussion and Analysis in the County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

**FY22 General Fund Expenditures by Function**  
(in millions)



# CAPITAL ASSETS



# DEBT

Major capital events for governmental activities during the current fiscal year included the following:

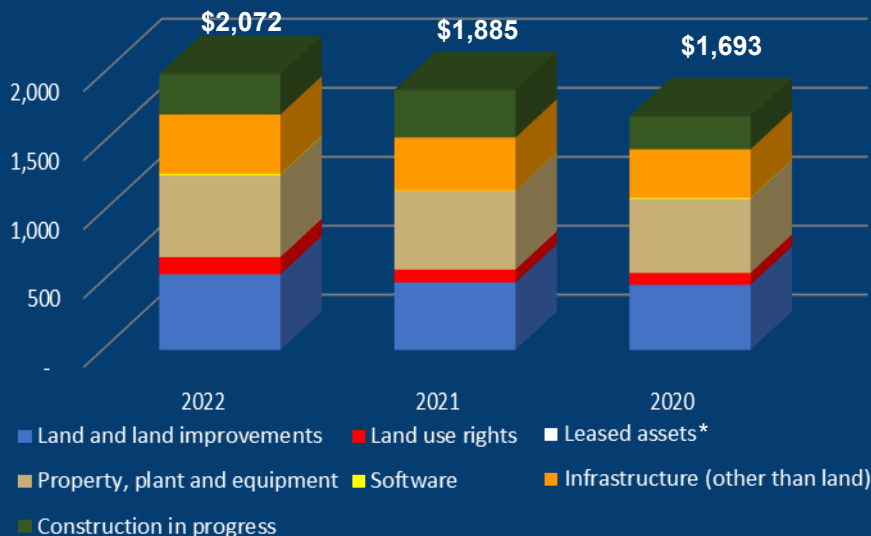
- Software increases are mostly from the implementation of the Tyler Odyssey software system in several County offices;
- Construction in progress increased due to \$79.6 million for the new Civil and Family Courts Facility and \$17.5 million for the Bee Creek Sports complex. Major projects placed into service during the fiscal year included \$23.8 million for energy savings upgrades to the Travis County Correctional Complex and \$27.4 million for the Elroy Road project;
- A total of \$33.5 million in capital assets was donated to the County consisting of roads, sidewalks, rights-of way, and equipment; and
- Depreciation expense of \$73.1 million was recorded, the majority in Infrastructure (other than land), buildings, and machinery and equipment.

Business-type activities had increases in land and land improvements of \$27.5 million, during the current fiscal year, due to the acquisition of land for new apartment projects managed by the Travis County Housing Finance Corporation.

More detailed information about capital assets can be found in Note 1 and Note 7 of the Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (FY22 ACFR).

**Total Capital Asset by Type**

(net of accumulated depreciation/amortization - in millions)

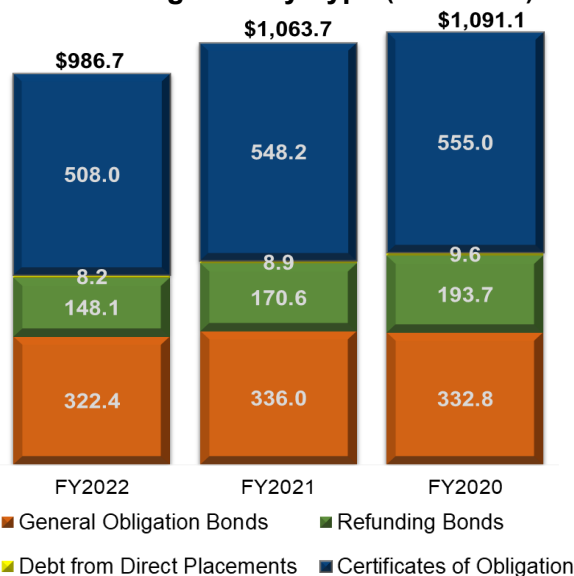


\*The County implemented GASB 87, Leases, in fiscal year 2022. More information can be found in the FY22 ACFR.

During fiscal year 2022, the County issued:

- ♦ Unlimited Tax Road Bonds of \$4.9 million;
- ♦ Limited Tax Permanent Improvement Bonds of \$6.9 million; and
- ♦ Tax-Exempt Limited Tax Refunding Bonds of \$16.6 million.

**Outstanding Debt by Type (in millions)**



Travis County maintained a bond rating of AAA from Standard and Poor's and Aaa from Moody's Investor Service, Inc. during fiscal year 2022. Neither the County nor any road district has ever defaulted on a principal or interest payment on its bonds or certificates of obligation and it maintains a General Purpose Debt Service fund to provide available funds to meet all obligations during the year.

Debt issued under Texas General Laws may not exceed five percent of the assessed value of taxable property for any given year. That limit has ranged from \$13.3 billion in fiscal year 2020 to \$15.7 billion in fiscal year 2022.

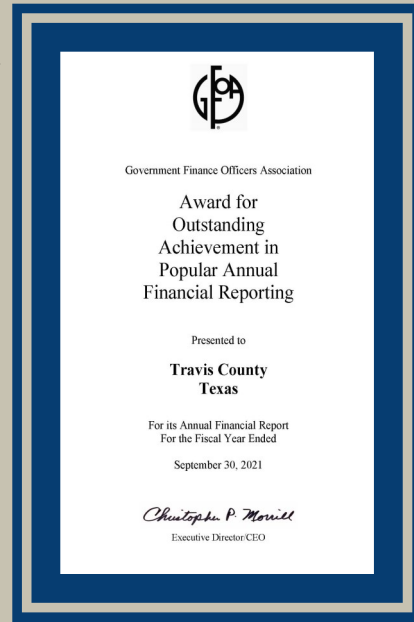
More detailed information about debt can be found in Note 8 of the FY22 ACFR.

# AWARDS

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has given an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting to Travis County, Texas, for its Popular Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2021. The Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is a prestigious national award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state and local government popular reports.

In order to receive an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Annual Financial Reporting, a governmental unit must publish a Popular Annual Financial Report, whose contents conform to program standards of creativity, presentation, understandability and reader appeal.

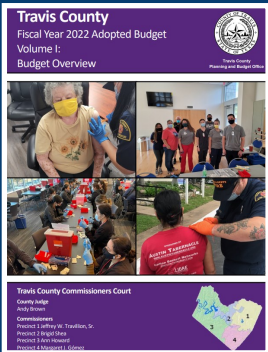
An Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Reporting is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Popular Annual Financial Reporting standards, and we are submitting it to GFOA.



Travis County's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for fiscal year end 2021, was awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association.

The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. This report is compiled by the Auditor's Office and is audited by an independent firm of certified public accountants. The purpose of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report is to give a detailed overview of the County's financial status, including various funds, investments, and debt service obligations.

Travis County's Planning and Budget Office has again received the GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for Fiscal Year 2022 Budget.



The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts' Transparency Stars program recognizes local governments for going above and beyond in their transparency efforts.



## Transparency Stars

- ★ Traditional Finances
- ★ Debt Obligations
- ★ Economic Development
- ★ Public Pensions

## National Association of Counties Achievement Awards Program 2022

- Online COVID-19 Vaccine Incentive Program Application (County Administration and Management)
- Clinical Performance and Education (Criminal Justice and Public Safety)
- Warn Central Texas (Risk and Emergency Management)

The Achievement Awards program is a non-competitive awards program recognizing innovative county government programs. One outstanding program from each category will be selected as the "Best of Category."

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<https://financialtransparency.traviscountytx.gov/>

## Budget Documents & Information

<https://www.traviscountytx.gov/planning-budget>

## Commissioners Court

<https://www.traviscountytx.gov/commissioners-court>

## County Directory

<https://www.traviscountytx.gov/departments>

## Helpful Local Resources & Phone Numbers

<https://www.traviscountytx.gov/helpful-numbers>

## News & Announcements

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## Travis County Org Chart

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