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Although every attempt has been made to ensure the accuracy of all information, there will surely be some mistakes. Final responsibility rests with the Coordinating Council staff.


INTRODUCTION

One of the most challenging tasks associated with government is to comprehend the myriad of health and human services available from the federal, state, county and city governments as well as the numerous private charities throughout Texas. Compounding the complexity is the entanglement of varying responsibilities: Who pays? Who determines eligibility? Who actually delivers the service to the individual? How? Is this a federal requirement? A state option? With what strings attached? How does the person seeking these services find them? What services does the program actually provide?

The Health and Human Services Coordinating Council was established in 1983 by the 68th Legislature to coordinate the delivery of these services in Texas. One of its primary charges is to maintain a centralized, comprehensive data base on health and human services available in Texas. This Reference Guide is the Council's first attempt to make available information on federal and state services in a "user-friendly" document. Emphasis is placed on trying to answer the questions stated above in simple, practical terms for the layperson. It is designed to be an introduction to this "system", to be a quick reference for specific data on a given program or service, and to assist the Council in its continuing work on improving the coordination of services to ensure the best use of our limited resources.

As such, it is intended to be useful reference tool for the Legislature, the Governor, all interested public and private agencies and organizations, and especially for all Texans who want to know what is being provided with their tax dollars.

This guide is a first step towards meeting the challenge of translating our government services to the people who pay for them, and for whom they are intended. Working with the United Way, the Council has begun the task of collecting information on services provided by voluntary organizations throughout Texas. Much remains to be done; however, the more comprehensive information we have, the better informed our actions will be.


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HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This is a reference guide to state and federal programs and services in Texas. Its purpose is to provide information in a simple, easy-to-use document. It is also designed to help decision makers and service users better understand how the many pieces of this "system" fit together -- or how they do not.

Information on federal programs is limited to those administered by state agencies, plus seven other major federal programs which were included because they serve thousands of Texans. There are a few notable program omissions, primarily due to lack of information about, or the special nature of, these programs. These include health services provided by state university medical centers and services funded by volunteer agencies and local governments. The Council hopes to expand its data base to include these in the future.

The Reference Guide is organized in three sections:

PROGRAM PAGES. There are 174 program pages which are organized alphabetically. To the extent possible, titles are descriptive of the service and/or population group the program serves. However, an attempt was made to leave program titles the same as those used by the administering agency and in the appropriations act so that they are easily cross-referenced to other agency documents. Each page contains:

- o Service Description - lists the actual services provided in the program.
- o Delivery Method - states how and where the individual gets the service, and the agency or contractor that actually delivers the service. You can then refer to Appendix C for that agency's regional office or check your local phone directory under that agency's listing.
- o Eligibility Requirements - describes the characteristics, needs or income limits used to determine if a person can receive services. It also indicates if they are set by federal, state, or local law, or some combination thereof. This information is a simplified summary of requirements for a general indication of who can receive the services. Actual eligibility determination is more specific and must be done by the administering agency. Poverty guidelines are frequently referenced; see Appendix A for more specific income amounts.
- o Number Served - provides the most recent data on number of clients receiving assistance from the program. In those cases where it is some other measure (i.e., number of local programs receiving contracts or types of services provided) it is noted. For programs that have information on the percentage of eligible clients or population in need of this service, it is included in this section.

- o Funding - states the source of program funding (federal, state, Local, other -- i.e. interagency contracts, fees, etc.) If there is a federally-required state and or local match to receive federal dollars, it is indicated. Total spending on the program (from all sources) is provided with the most recent fiscal year figures available at this time; actual or estimated is noted.
- o Relationship to Other Programs/Services - listings of other programs that provide similar services or related services for the client group served by this program. In some cases, where limited funding results in eligible persons not being served, possible alternative programs are noted. This is a first attempt to connect programs, services and client groups in this manner and it is not comprehensive.
- o Background/Other Information - additional information about the program, such as when or why it was created, any toll free numbers for that particular program, and any other pertinent information.

INDEX. The key to finding information in the program pages is the Index, which is at the back of the guide. The Index cross-references programs by title and services, as well as including key words and subjects relative to health and human services.

APPENDICES. There are four other items which supplement the program pages:

- A. A chart showing current federal poverty guidelines and how they are determined.
- B. A cross-reference listing of all state programs by the administering state agency.
- C. Regional maps and telephone numbers for state agencies with field offices to help access agency, staff and services in different areas of the State.
- D. A listing of toll free numbers in Texas from which you can get more specific information on services.

Because this is the first Reference Guide issued by the Council, your comments and suggestions regarding the contents and their presentation will be appreciated so we may better serve your needs in future editions. If you have other questions, please call the Council staff.

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PROGRAM PAGES

ACCOMMODATING INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES (AID) PROGRAM
Texas School for the Deaf

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The AID, or multi-handicapped program provides individualized programming for deaf, multi-handicapped students. Educational goals focus on socialization, daily living skills, communication and work training.

DELIVERY METHOD

School and residential staff meet bi-monthly to share information and develop programming for the student. Class size varies and offers low student to staff ratio (2:1). Most multi-handicapped students require ongoing behavioral intervention and specialized behavior programs. Multi-handicapped students receive further support in occupational/physical therapy, adaptive physical education, audiology, speech therapy, counseling and psychiatric consulting.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be referred by their home school districts through the Admissions, Reviews and Dismissal process or by their parents under Senate Bill 809 and be hearing impaired with secondary handicaps and/or special needs. (Age: 3-21 years)

NUMBER SERVED

Approximately 63 students were enrolled in the AID program in the 1985-86 school year.

FUNDING

State: 98%
Federal: 2%

Total FY 85: \$824,689 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.03, Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Deaf/Blind Programs and Severely Handicapped Programs (TSB).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Approximately 13 out of 52 students were reported in 1984 as those with severe behavioral disturbances (aggression or destruction of property). The School for the Deaf (TSD) reports that this population is increasing as a portion of their enrollment over the past few years.

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of the TSD from the State Board of Education. TSD is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment, for each student that is enrolled in TSD, from their home school districts.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29, the board organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSD must comply with all rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual cost per student varies with each program, with the highest costs associated with the multi-handicapped students whose population has been steadily increasing.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Adult Education programs are designed to address the special needs of adults who require skills training to continue their education and become employable citizens. Funding is allocated throughout the State for local programs in basic academics, life coping skills and secondary education for adults. This service provides developmental assistance to communities committed to implementing the community education concept.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) applies to the U.S. Office of Education for adult education program funding. The funds are then allocated to local delivery systems along with state adult education funds, for the purpose of serving additional students. Funds are allocated to 58 adult education cooperatives based upon the number of contact hours and the number of under-educated persons in the delivery area.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Participants must be enrolled in a local adult education program. These services are available to anyone who has not received either a high school diploma or a Graduate Equivalency Diploma, or anyone who is functionally illiterate.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 98,000 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 53%
Federal: 47%

Total FY 86: \$12,723,575 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Texas Education Code, Section 11.18
Federal: Adult Education Act, as amended; 20 U.S.C. 1201 et. seq.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Some cooperatives may use Carl D. Perkins; Vocational Education Act Funds. See also: Vocational Education; Federal Funds (TEA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In the 1983-84 school year approximately 155,000 persons were served in adult basic education (Grades 1-8), English as a Second Language Programs, Competency-based High High School Programs, and General Educational Development.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o Screening for selected chronic diseases such as hypertension, diabetes, anemia, obesity, obstructive pulmonary diseases, and cancers of the skin, mouth, colon, breast, prostate and cervix;
- o monitoring individuals identified as having specific chronic diseases;
- o health risk appraisals, health education, and disease management;
- o referral for further medical evaluation by the client's own physician or other community resource.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive services through local health departments that are under contract with TDH and/or through TDH public health clinics across the state. Services also may be delivered in other settings such as schools, worksites, supermarkets, and health fairs. Services are provided with minimal or no cost to the client.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons aged 16 and over who are identified as "at risk" of having specified chronic diseases.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 27,606 screened for diabetes
(est.) 57,423 screened for hypertension
16,794 health risk profiles completed

TDH estimates that there are 398,075 persons who are undiagnosed diabetics; 2,073,307 persons who have hypertension; and 1,907,443 who need a health risk appraisal.

FUNDING

State: 74%
Federal: 26%

Total FY 86: \$1,422,672

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4477-60, V.T.C.S. (Texas Diabetes Council)
Article 4418d, V.T.C.S. (Chronic Disease Screening)
Federal: Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 (Hypertension Services)

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Although there are a number of health screening services provided by health and human service agencies, they are primarily for children and are not targeted for adults. Unless an individual is covered by Medicaid, screening services provided by the Department of Health are usually the only services available to persons unable to purchase private health care services.

See also: Public Health Services (TDH).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

TDHS maintains a toll free hotline to receive reports of possible abuse or neglect. TDHS initiates an investigation within 24-hours of receipt of the report. If denied access to an alleged victim, the department petitions the court for forcible entry. Depending upon the circumstances of a particular case, case management and on-going supervised living arrangements may be provided. Services range from personal care, home-delivered meals, and housekeeping to placement in a family violence center, supervised living facility, nursing home, or adult foster care home.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS caseworkers provide investigative services directly and arrange for other necessary services from local TDHS offices. TDHS may contract with public and private providers for personal care, meals, shelter, and emergency services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons who are elderly (age 65 and over) or disabled (age 18-64) and who are alleged to be abused, neglected or exploited. Persons are eligible for adult protective services without regard to income.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 13,536 investigations (est.)

FUNDING

State: 5%
Federal: 95% (Titles XIX and XX)

Total FY 86: \$6,676,475 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 22, 31, and 32, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XIX, Social Security Act
Title XX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Emergency care for clients may be provided in a variety of settings. See Family Violence, Supervised Living, and In-Home and Out-of-Home Services (TDHS). Disabled clients may also receive services under the Client Managed Attendant Care program (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1981, the 67th Texas Legislature passed a state law requiring that abuse or neglect of elderly citizens be reported to the Department of Human Services. In 1983, the law was amended to include disabled persons between 18 and 64 years of age. TDHS is also responsible for providing services to remedy the existence of abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

Reports of abuse, neglect, or exploitation may be made orally or in writing to any local TDHS office during working hours or by calling the toll free 24-hour hotline number: 1-800-252-5400.

AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN (AFDC)
Texas Department of Human Services

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Financial assistance in the form of monthly payments intended to help maintain families until they can achieve economic self-sufficiency. . The amount received is based upon the number of family members, income and resources. For FY 86, the average monthly grant per family member was approximately \$57, and the maximum monthly grant for a family of three was \$184.

DELIVERY METHOD

Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) staff determine eligibility for AFDC in local TDHS offices throughout the State under the Income Assistance Program Delivery division. Monthly checks are mailed to clients from the State office.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility and payment standards are determined by the State in accordance with federal guidelines. In Texas, children must be part of single-parent families or two-parent families with one disabled parent. A family's income must be below 24% of the poverty level (approximately \$2,200/yr after allowable deductions and exclusions) and their resources cannot exceed \$1,000.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 132,853 families/month or 410,423 persons/month (est.)

These recipients constitute 58% of the families in Texas with single parents (or two-parent families with one parent disabled) whose incomes are below the poverty level. However, this is 25% of the total number of families in Texas living below poverty.

FUNDING

State:	46.44% (required match)
Federal:	53.56%

Total FY 86: \$281,285,650 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State:	Chapter 31, Human Resources Code; Article III, Texas Constitution
Federal:	Title IV-A, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Families eligible for AFDC are automatically eligible for Medicaid (See Medicaid--Basic Services). They are usually, but not always, eligible for Child Day Care, Energy Assistance and Food Stamps (TDHS). AFDC recipients are also informed about family planning services (see Family Planning - Title XIX) and Medicaid--Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT). Most AFDC recipients are required to register for Employment Services (TDHS) as well as Child Support Enforcement Services.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The AFDC program was established as Title IV-A of the Social Security Act in 1935.

Texas presently ranks 45th among the states in AFDC benefit levels; the program covers approximately one fourth of the children living in families with incomes below poverty in Texas. This is the cash assistance program most often referred to as "welfare."

A statewide toll free hotline number (1-800-252-9330) is operational Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. for information about the AFDC program.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The reservation administers job training programs for tribe members and other Indians in a service area encompassing 122 counties in East Texas. The reservation also provides individual and family counseling, transportation for health and social services, minor emergency health services and health screening, and financial assistance for education. Ambulance services are also available through the reservation. Reservation administration assists the Tribe in the development and management of various economic activities (Tribal Enterprises) and the maintenance of a 127 unit housing facility constructed with the assistance of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. A self-contained community water utility system, a road maintenance system, and a timber and mineral (gas and oil) development program are also available through the reservation.

DELIVERY METHOD

Eligible individuals receive services through the reservation's administration or through tribal-run programs in the East Texas service area.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Members of the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe are eligible for all services provided through the reservation. Other Indians residing in the service area are eligible for Job Training Partnership Act services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 594 (119 from other Indian tribes)

FUNDING

State:	3%
Federal:	43%
Interagency	
Contracts:	1%
Other:	53%

Total FY 86: \$2,061,241 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State:	Article 5421Z, VACS
Federal:	25 USC 45 OC
	25 USC 721
	42 USC 3535 D&E

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The reservation also participates in federal programs such as Headstart, the Community Development Block Grant, Housing and Urban Development's Comprehensive Improvement Assistance Program, the Department of Agriculture's Commodity Distribution Program, the Community Services Block Grant and the Department of Agriculture's Child Nutrition Program. Individuals living on the reservation may also receive services through other programs, such as Medicaid or Food Stamps, if they meet the eligibility requirements.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Alabama-Coushatta Indian Tribe is located on a 4500 acre reservation 17 miles east of Livingston. The reservation was created by the federal government to protect and preserve the Alabama-Coushatta population. Currently, state money is used to pay for the administration and fiscal management of all reservation programs and delivery services. Federal money and tribal enterprises provide the bulk of the reservation's income.

In 1985, the State Legislature began to tie state funding for the reservation to the mineral revenue derived from reservation lands. Because of depleted mineral revenues, the reservation currently has only one administrator.

The median income for Indians residing on the reservation is \$2,027 per year; 146 of the 594 Indians on the reservation have incomes at or below federal poverty guidelines; 95 have no high school diploma; 129 are in need of health care assistance.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this state-funded program is to provide services for emotionally disturbed and delinquent youth and to encourage statewide development of alternate treatment programs. The Hope Center for Youth (HCY) in Houston is the only program funded under Alternate Treatment for Youth. HCY provides alternative treatment in supervised apartments, wilderness camps, a family therapy program, and a non-residential alternative school program.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals are referred to Hope Center by TDHS. Other state agencies and private citizens also place children at HCY. TDHS has a contract with HCY to provide services for children they refer.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Emotionally disturbed and delinquent youth.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 180 youth (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$1,685,167 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapters 21, 22, 41, and 42, Human Resources Code
Title 2, Texas Family Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See also: Community Services and Institutional Services (Texas Youth Commission); State Aid to Counties (Texas Juvenile Probation Commission); and Child Protective Services and Truant and Runaway program (TDHS). In addition to the Hope Center for Youth, there are several other private providers of services for emotionally troubled youth across the state.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Services are intended to prevent institutionalization or to supply community alternative placement for persons currently institutionalized so that they may function as independently as possible.

Services include community residential programs, habilitation services (day treatment), respite services (i.e. short-term, in-home and weekend care), training in self-help skills, parental support, and habilitation training when appropriate.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals are offered services through eight different providers located throughout the State. Providers included are state schools, private non-profit agencies, and several community mental health and mental retardation centers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons with autism. Autism is a life-long, severely incapacitating developmental disability which begins in early childhood and is characterized by major behavioral and communication deficiencies. It has no known cure.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: Daily State Capacity
27 Residential
21 Pre-vocational
1,839 Respite Care Days

TDMHR estimates there are 3,600 persons in need of autism services.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$900,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-201 et seq., VACS

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Bilingual education or special language programs for grades K-12 in local school districts; also, voluntary summer programs for children with limited English proficiency who will be eligible for kindergarten or the first grade at the beginning of the school year.

DELIVERY METHOD

Students receive special instruction in a variety of settings in the School District. Funding allocations are made by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to individual school districts throughout the State, depending on their regular allocation per student and their needs for bilingual programs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students with limited English proficiency as determined by the local school district and based upon State Board of Education Rules.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 261,225 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$36,277,170 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Texas Education Code, Section 21.451

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see 1) Summer School, Foundation School Program, 2) ECIA - Migrant Education, 3) ESEA, Title VII - Bilingual Education, and 4) Refugee Children--Transition Program.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1981, Senate Bill 477 called for the establishment of bilingual or special language programs in any school district with an enrollment of twenty or more students of limited English proficiency. This law also called for the establishment of voluntary summer school programs for children of limited English proficiency. Many programs in the Foundation School Program experienced some change in the allocation per student with the enactment of House Bill 72 in 1984.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The TCB establishes and develops food service facilities in private industry, federal, state, and other governmental buildings in order to expand self employment opportunities for blind and visually impaired Texans.

DELIVERY METHOD

Legally blind clients with a desire and aptitude for employment in the food service industry apply to the TCB staff for placement. Upon finding a site the staff chooses the candidate who is most appropriate. These persons are then trained, licensed, and placed in the facility. The agency provides managerial services in the form of business analysis and consultation services to improve the vendor's marketing techniques, improve the facility's sales and customer relations, reduce the facility's operating expenses, increase the facility's net profit, and modernize existing facilities by replacing obsolete and worn-out equipment. In return, licensed vendors are assessed a set-aside fee, based on a percentage of their profits, which contributes toward continuing the program's management services, replacement of equipment, and logistic support.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Legally blind clients with an aptitude for self-employment, as determined by the Blind Commission staff.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 134 licensed vendors

FUNDING

BEP generated funds: 88%
Federal: 12%

Total FY 86: \$1,067,841 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 5, Chapter 94, Human Resources Code
Federal: The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended
The Randolph Sheppard Act, as amended

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

These clients have usually received training in the Vocational Rehabilitation Program (TCB) and may also be recipients of SSI or SSDI benefits.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Blind (TCB) was created in 1931 and went through the Sunset Review process for the 69th Legislative Session. The basic objectives for services are: attainment of optimum vocational potential, sight preservation/restoration, and independent living.

Due to the location of BEP facilities, federal/state reductions in personnel and operations, and the current revenue shortfall in Texas, the program's ability to finance its own operations through program generated revenue may be threatened.

The licensed vendors are represented by an elected committee of operators. The committee representatives are elected by their peers based on geographic districts. The committee: 1) participates with the agency in major administrative policy and program development decisions affecting the program; 2) receives and calls to the attention of the agency any grievances of licensed vendors or program trainees; 3) serves on informal administrative review panels as advocates of a vendor who may have a grievance or complaint; 4) participates with the agency in developing and administering a fair and equitable transfer and promotion system; 5) participates with the agency in developing thorough training and upward mobility programs for vendors; and 6) co-sponsors instructional conferences for blind vendors.

Toll Free Services Information: 1-800-252-5204

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Funding for school health programs emphasizing cancer prevention; inventories of cancer resources; cancer screening in public health clinics; training of nurses in prevention and screening; and a pilot program in the Rio Grande Valley which provides screening, education, referral for diagnosis, and transportation for medical services.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Cancer Council contracts with existing agencies and organizations, including TDH, TDHS, the University of Texas System, the University of Texas Medical Branch, and the University of Houston to provide these services. Individuals receive services through schools or from the agencies or organizations which were awarded contracts.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Organizations or agencies must use funds only for cancer-related services. There are no income requirements for individuals receiving services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 87: Eight agencies or organizations received funds through this program.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$3,000,000

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: 4477-41, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Texas Cancer Council contracts with TDH, TDHS, and universities; see also Community Health Services and Vital Statistics (TDH), and Medicaid--Basic Services and Medical Transportation (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Legislative Task Force on Cancer in Texas recommended the creation of the Texas Cancer Council in its short-term plan to reduce the burden of cancer in the State. The Council was created in 1985 to implement the plan and was appropriated \$7 million for the biennium. The Task Force also developed a long-range plan and recommended that the Cancer Council implement, monitor, revise, and update that plan.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Originally, treatment was limited to tuberculosis, but in recent years statutory authority has been extended to include chest-related diseases and conditions related to other programs administered by the agency. Services include inpatient and outpatient diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation for tuberculosis, chronic respiratory diseases and certain other medical and surgical problems.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

There are no age or income requirements. Clients must be Texas residents and need treatment for a condition covered by TDH. Private, paying patients are also accepted.

DELIVERY METHOD

Inpatient and outpatient care at the San Antonio or Harlingen hospital. Private and third party payments are collected by TDH and returned to the General Revenue Fund.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 32,625 Inpatient days (San Antonio State Chest Hospital)
(est.) 13,273 Outpatient visits (San Antonio State Chest Hospital)
24,929 Inpatient days (South Texas Hospital)
4,393 Outpatient visits (South Texas Hospital)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$10,700,000 San Antonio Chest Hospital
\$ 5,900,000 South Texas Hospital

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 3196a-1; 3201a;
4414b, Section 102; and 4477

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Tuberculosis and Epilepsy (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Department of Health operates two hospitals which are located in San Antonio and Harlingen. The San Antonio State Chest Hospital also provides some contractual support for the Epilepsy Program as well as several other state agencies.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Free or reduced-price meals are prepared and served to children in 709 day care centers and 3,300 family day homes.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS contracts with 355 qualified organizations across Texas to serve meals meeting quantitative and nutritional standards. Contractors are reimbursed for the meals served and for administrative costs related to meals services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Free meals are provided to children whose annual income (for a family of three) is less than \$11,856. Reduced-price meals are served to children whose annual income (for a family of three) is more than \$11,856 but less than \$16,872. Public or private non-profit, tax-exempt organizations providing organized nonresidential child care services (day care) are eligible to receive reimbursement for meals. For-profit organizations that receive Title XX Social Services program compensation for at least 25% of the children enrolled in their child care centers also are eligible.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 55,000 children (average daily participation, est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

FY 86 Total: \$24.5 million (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: National School Lunch Act, as amended
Child Nutrition Act, as amended
Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981
Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Child care facilities participating in this federal program must be licensed or approved by TDHS (see Child Care Licensing). Some of these facilities also may be eligible to receive commodities donated by USDA (see Commodities--Food Distribution, TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Child Care Food Program was first established by Congress in 1968. It is a 100% federally-funded program which enables low income children in nonresidential child care facilities such as Head Start centers, day care centers, and family day homes to receive nutritious breakfasts, lunches, and snacks.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Unless specifically exempted by statute, Chapter 42 of the Human Resources Code requires all child care facilities to be licensed, certified, or registered by the State. TDHS establishes minimum standards for child care facilities; inspects facilities at least once a year for compliance with standards; investigates complaints; issues, revokes, or denies licensure, registration or certification; conducts appeals and seeks court injunctions.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS staff inspect facilities on-site, except for registered family homes. Fees are charged for facility licenses and registrations. Collections are deposited in the general revenue fund (\$1.3 million in FY 86).

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Licensed facilities generally consist of those that provide care to more than 6 children during the day in a place other than the provider's own home. Registered facilities are those that provide care to six or fewer children in the provider's home. Agencies that arrange for the placement of a child in an adoptive home, institution, or agency home must be licensed or certified, and residential facilities that provide 24-hour care or treatment of children must be licensed. The number of children in care, the number of hours per day the facility is operational, the location of the facility, the relationship of the caregiver to the children and certain characteristics of the children determine whether a facility must be licensed, certified, or registered.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 25,420 licensed day care facilities and registered family homes
(est.) 4,636 residential facilities and child placing agencies

FUNDING

State: 27%
Federal: 73% (Title XX Social Services Block Grant)

Total FY 86: \$9,516,228 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 42 of the Human Resources Code
Federal: 42 USC 620 and 671

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

TDHS also provides assistance in paying for day care services for certain low-income families. See Child Day Care Services (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Licensing division of TDHS is also responsible for certifying social workers in accordance with State law. Fees for certification are established to cover the costs incurred by the agency.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides day care services to low income parents to help them obtain or maintain employment and as a means of providing care and supervision to abused and neglected children to prevent further abuse or neglect.

Services are half-day or full-day child care. Since the number of eligible children exceeds the number of day care slots funded, priorities for services have been established: Child Protective Services referrals receive first priority, followed by AFDC, SSI, and Food Stamp recipients, and other income eligible children.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) purchases day care through contracts and provider agreements with non-profit and for-profit day care centers and day homes throughout Texas. Fees are charged on a sliding scale to families other than AFDC recipients and Child Protective Services referrals. In some instances, the fees may be reduced or waived if a family has unusual necessary expenses such as medical care.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Children referred by Child Protective Services staff are eligible without regard to family income. Children of AFDC, SSI, Refugee Assistance and Food Stamp recipients are eligible if the parent(s) or caretaker(s) are employed or participating in job-related training. Additionally, children in families with incomes equivalent to food stamp recipients may also be eligible. The ages served are birth through 10-years-old. For handicapped children and those referred by Protective Services, day care may be extended through age 13. See each program page for specific eligibility requirements.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,309 Protective Services children per day
(est.) 4,622 AFDC children per day
6,512 Food Stamp and other income eligible children per day

FUNDING

Federal: 100% (Title XX Social Services Block Grant)

Total FY 86: \$31,899,770 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 22, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For information regarding regulation of child care facilities, see Child Care Licensing (TDHS). Some day care programs also may participate in federal commodity and child nutrition programs (see Child Care Food Program, Special Milk Program, Commodities--Food Distribution, and Summer Food Services).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o Maintaining a statewide hotline to receive reports 24 hours/day, 7 days/week; investigating reports alleging abuse and/or neglect; and providing a range of services to remedy abuse and neglect.
- o Depending upon the outcome of the investigation, further services may be required such as: in-home casework, counseling, referral to community resources, day care, emergency homemaker services, and court-ordered foster care or adoption services, if necessary.
- o Temporary emergency shelter and emergency foster family care, foster group home care, foster family care, foster treatment home care, institutional care, residential treatment, and other services are used to improve the family situation so that the child can return home safely. If the child cannot return home safely, an alternative permanent placement is sought. Adoption services are provided for children whose parental rights are terminated by court order and for whom adoption is appropriate.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS child protective services staff are officed throughout the State. Local staff conduct the investigations and perform casework services directly. Contracts are maintained at the community level to provide emergency shelter, community treatment services, foster care, emergency homemaker services, and 24-hour care for children in the TDHS conservatorship. Most foster care is provided in individual family settings. Adoption subsidies are provided for children who are legally free for adoptive placement and who, because of medical or physical limitations, might not otherwise be placed in an adoptive home.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Abused and neglected children under age 18 without regard to income. Reports are assigned a priority based upon severity to ensure that those of a more urgent nature are investigated first. Priority I reports are assigned to children in life-endangering situations and are investigated within 24-hours of receipt. Priority II reports are assigned to children in safety-endangering situations and are investigated as soon as possible but not later than 10 days from receipt. Priority III reports are assigned to children at risk of abuse or neglect and are investigated as time and resources allow after all Priority I and II reports have been investigated.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 71,025 reports investigated
(est.) 10,385 placed in protective foster care
600 placed in adoptive homes

FUNDING

State: 27%
Federal: 73%

Total FY 86: \$78,789,879 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 2, Texas Family Code; and
Chapters 22, 31, 32, 41, 42, 45, 47,
and 74, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title IV-B and IV-E, Social Security Act
Title XX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Several State agencies contract with private providers for residential care for children under their auspices. These services, referred to as Residential Contract Care, are provided through the following programs: Community Services (TYC); State Aid to Counties (TJPC); Mental Health--Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR); Education of the Handicapped-Part B and the Special Education Program (TEA).

Other protective services for families and children administered by TDHS include: Alternate Treatment for Youth, Truant and Runaway Services, and Family Violence services. Child Day Care services (TDHS) may also be used to provide protective services during the day. The Children's Trust Fund (TDHS) provides funding for child abuse prevention programs.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The toll free number for reporting abuse or neglect of children is 1-800-252-5400.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Assistance in obtaining child support payments from non-custodial parents, including locating absent parents, establishing paternity, establishing support obligations, enforcing support obligations, collecting and distributing child support payments, and cooperating with other states in collection activities.

Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) recipients must assign their rights to support (less \$50 that they may retain) over to the State in order for the State to pursue the legal right to child support.

DELIVERY METHOD

Families access assistance from the Attorney General's staff who deliver services through 12 regional and 20 local offices across Texas.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

AFDC recipients or any single (separated, divorced or never married), parent with custody of a child.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 243,944 average monthly caseload (est.)

FUNDING

State:	1%
Federal:	66%
Other:	33% (includes 30% from collections and federal incentive payments and 3% from a grant from the Governor's Office)

Total FY 86: \$16,320,471 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 76, Human Resources Code
Federal: 42 USC 651 et seq.; Title IV-D, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Aid to Families with Dependent Children (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1975, Congress enacted the Child Support Enforcement Program (Title IV-D of the Social Security Act). The Act required AFDC applicants and recipients to cooperate with the State in establishing paternity and obtaining support payments. In 1984, the Act was broadened to include all those in need of child support enforcement, regardless of their circumstances. The 68th Texas Legislature transferred the statutory responsibility for the State's program from the Department of Human Services to the Attorney General's Office.

Part of the collections made on behalf of AFDC families are channelled to the state and federal government to offset their share of AFDC benefit costs.

The statewide toll free number for Child Support Enforcement Services is: 1-800-252-3515.

CHILDREN'S OUTREACH HEART SERVICES
Texas Department of Health

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Pre-diagnostic and follow-up evaluation services; training in heart disease screening procedures for local physicians and public health nurses.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDH contracts with the Children's Heart Institute of South Texas (CHIST) for services which are performed at regularly scheduled outreach clinics throughout Public Health Region 8.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Children in families with incomes less than 200% of poverty residing in South Texas and who have heart diseases. A family of three may earn no more than \$18,240.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 4,080 served by CHIST (est.)

CHIST receives funding from sources other than TDH. Therefore, the precise number of children assisted through TDH funding cannot be determined.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$204,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: General Appropriations Act, 69th Texas Legislature

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Crippled Children's Services program provides for a cardiologist to conduct outreach clinics in East Texas similar to the clinics held by CHIST.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Since 1980, state funds have been appropriated to TDH to help fund the Children's Heart Institute of South Texas (CHIST). CHIST is a non-profit health organization.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Facilitates the development of programs designed to prevent child abuse and neglect by providing funding for community-based prevention services such as anti-victimization programs for children, parent education programs, prenatal outreach services, parents' self-help groups, and lay therapy programs.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS contracts with primary and secondary prevention programs and projects in local communities in Texas.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

In order to receive funds, programs and projects must have the approval of both the Texas Council on Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention and the Board of the Department of Human Services. First-time recipients must provide a match equal to 10% of the grant; second-time recipients must provide a 20% match; and third-time recipients must provide a 50% match. Grants may not be continued for more than three years.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 87: 20,138* (est.) children ages 4-10 will receive anti-victimization services.

* FY 87 will be the first year the fund is fully operational.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 87: \$1,363,821 (budgeted)

The Children's Trust Fund's primary source of revenue is a percentage of the marriage license fee which was increased by the Legislature in 1985. Additionally, the Council may apply for government and private grants and may solicit contributions.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 74, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Although the Department of Human Services has a Child Protective Services program, funding limitations in conjunction with a substantial caseload precludes TDHS from devoting resources to prevention efforts.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Texas Council on Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention and the Children's Trust Fund program were established by the 69th Texas Legislature in 1985.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

This is a state-funded demonstration project for adults who are physically disabled, who need assistance with activities of daily living and who are emotionally and mentally capable of supervising their own attendants.

Attendants provide a range of personal services including assistance in performing bodily functions, bathing, dressing, grooming, feeding, and moving about. Meals preparation, transportation, cleaning, shopping, and laundry services also may be provided depending on the client's particular needs.

DELIVERY METHOD

The demonstration project is available only in three areas of the state: Orange-Beaumont, San Antonio, and Deep South Texas. TDHS contracts with provider agencies based on an hourly rate for services. The contractors develop a pool of attendants, determine client eligibility and services required, provide emergency backup attendants, and coordinate services with clients interested in sharing an attendant. To the greatest extent possible, the client hires, trains, supervises, and terminates the attendant.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Disabled persons age 18 and over, who are emotionally and mentally capable of self-directing care, who have a physician's statement documenting that the client has been physically disabled for over six months, and who need attendant care for a minimum of 5 hours/week. There are no income eligibility requirements; however, persons with incomes over \$730/month pay for services on a sliding scale basis.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 129 persons/month (est.)

Over 100 persons are on a waiting list for services.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$567,084 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapters 22 and 31, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Persons with disabilities may be eligible for: In-Home Services, Out-of-Home Services (TDHS), SSI or SSDI; Vocational Rehabilitation Services, Extended Rehabilitation Services, Independent Living Centers, and Independent Living Services (TRC). See index for specific disability related services.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

This demonstration project began in January 1986.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The U.S. Department of Agriculture donates commodities for use by schools, institutional facilities, senior nutrition centers, child care centers, and disaster organizations.

Distribution of commodities, monitoring the use, storage, and processing of foods.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS contracts with 16 commercial warehouses located in various parts of the State to receive and store commodities shipped by USDA to Texas. Contracts are let through the competitive procurement process. Additionally, the Department contracts with 2,239 public and private nonprofit tax-exempt agencies (called recipient agencies) to use the commodities. TDHS also contracts with several food processors. Through these contracts, various commodities are used as ingredients for producing such foods as pizzas and other prepared foods.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Public or private nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations that provide meals to children and/or adults on a regular basis and have the capacity to properly store and use USDA donated food items are eligible to receive commodities and participate in a program for processing commodities into prepared foods. The various categories of recipient agencies are: schools, child care institutions, nonprofit summer camps for children, charitable institutions, senior nutrition centers, correctional institutions for minors and other organizations that distribute food to needy families.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 3.2 million average daily number receiving meals and/or food.

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$7,000,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 33, Human Resources Code, Chapter 33

Federal: Food Security Act of 1985, Title XV
National School Lunch Act, as amended
Child Nutrition Act, as amended
Disaster Relief Act, as amended
Comprehensive Older Americans Act
Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1984, as amended
Omnibus Reconciliation Act
Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See also Commodities--Temporary Emergency Food Program, School Lunch and Breakfast Programs, Summer Food Services, and Child Care Food Program (TDHS) in Texas.

Large school districts, the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and the Texas Department of Corrections are authorized to receive shipments directly from USDA.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Approximately 170,000,000 pounds of food valued at \$145,000,000 were donated last year by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and distributed to schools, institutions, and disaster organizations.

COMMODITIES--TEMPORARY EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TEFAP)
Texas Department of Human Services

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Surplus food products are distributed to needy individuals. Cheese and butter are the primary food products; however, rice, flour, cornmeal, non-fat dry milk or other surpluses may be made available periodically.

DELIVERY METHOD

Local non-profit food distributors such as food banks and community action agencies are required to make public notice of the time and place for commodity distribution.

Individuals can pickup commodities from local distributing organizations when available, usually on a monthly or bi-monthly basis.

TDHS contracts with and reimburses 88 qualified organizations for costs incurred in distributing United State Department of Agriculture (USDA) donated foods.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Households with income levels below 130% of poverty (165% for persons aged 60 and older) and recipients of AFDC, Food Stamps, Medicaid or SSI are eligible to receive commodities for in-home use.

Public or private nonprofit tax-exempt organizations capable of properly storing and distributing donated food items are eligible to receive commodities and reimbursement for administrative costs related to distribution.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 486,000 households, or 1.4 million persons (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$3.6 million

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Temporary Emergency Foods Assistance Act of 1983, as amended.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Commodities--Food Distribution (TDHS) is the federal program which distributes commodities to schools, child care centers, elderly meals programs, and institutional programs.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Federal commodity distribution programs began in 1930's as a means of reducing surplus agricultural commodities and providing food relief to the needy and unemployed.

COMMUNITY-BASED TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION

Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Community-based treatment and rehabilitation services increase the accessibility of treatment for medically and economically indigent alcohol abusers and provide alternatives to institutionalization. Services include: residential and out-patient treatment of alcohol abuse, including detoxification and counseling. Specific services are determined by the severity of disability at admission. Clients who are eligible for Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) Vocational Rehabilitation Services may also receive financial support from the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA) for the first 30 days of substance abuse treatment.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive assistance from 65 licensed public and private non-profit community facilities. TCADA purchases services through contracts with these facilities; reimbursement is made on a cost per day basis, and rates vary according to the services required by the individual.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

While there are no eligibility requirements other than the evidence of need for intensive services, the average annual income of clients is \$6,233; 88.8% of all clients are without insurance; and 79.6% are unemployed.

Service population includes the medically indigent, probationers, parolees, persons served through substance abuse units of state mental hospitals and persons with multiple handicaps including wheelchair disabled and the blind.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 6,401

TCADA estimates that this program serves less than 5% of the total number of problem drinkers who are unemployed, unable to work and in need of immediate treatment.

FUNDING

State: 85%
Federal: 15% (Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Block Grant)

Total FY 86: \$3,418,513

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5561C2, VACS
Federal: 42 USC 300X

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Some community-based facilities that are affiliated with TDMHMR receive funding under this program. See: Mental Health--Contracted Community Services, Mental Health Community Services--State Hospitals, and Mental Health Community Services--State Centers (TDMHMR). See also: Institutional Treatment and Rehabilitation, Primary Prevention, Intervention, and Drug Abuse (TCADA); and Vocational Rehabilitation Services (TRC).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

TCADA estimates that in 1986, there were 857,771 problem drinkers age 18 and over in need of immediate treatment. Of these, 170,525 were unemployed, unable to work, and in immediate need of treatment.

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS PROGRAM
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

This is a federally sponsored program designed to provide primary, supplemental, and environmental health services to medically underserved populations.

Services vary from center to center, but most provide general medical care, pediatric care, obstetrical and gynecological services, and preventive dental services. Some centers offer birthing, podiatric, lab, X-ray, pharmacy, and nutritional services. Health education, pesticide screening and optometric services may be offered as well.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are delivered through 24 community health centers and 40 satellite clinics throughout the State.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

While different health programs administered by the centers may have their own specific eligibility requirements, the centers themselves have no eligibility standards. No patient will be refused services because of an inability to pay.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 85: 910,000 medical encounters in Texas
276,000 patients seen in Texas

FUNDING

Federal: 76% (Public Health Services Act)
Other: 24% (fees, third party payment)

Total FY 85: \$31,020,355 in Texas

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: 42 USC, Sections 329, 330

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Some community health centers have been awarded state grants for the provision of Primary Care Services and Maternal and Infant Health Improvement Services (TDH). Community health centers also administer federal and state family planning and nutrition programs: see Maternal

and Child Health, Special Supplemental Feeding Program for Women, Infants and Children (TDH), Family Planning-Title XIX, Family Planning-Title XX, (TDHS).

For other health services available to low or moderate income persons see: Medicaid--Basic Services, County Indigent Health Care (TDHS); Community Health Services--Local Health Departments, Health Services--Public Health Regions and Chest Hospitals (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

All community health centers charge patient fees on a sliding scale, although a large amount of care is delivered to persons whose incomes are under 100% of the federal poverty level (\$9,120 per year for a family of three). 74% of all patients have no health insurance; 8% are covered by Medicaid and 8% are covered by Medicare.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES -- LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS
Texas Department of Health

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o Community Health Services provides funding to supplement staffing of local health departments. In FY 86, the program funded approximately 255 positions (local resources funded approximately 4,260 positions). TDH also provides training and technical assistance to local health departments and secures and maintains the records of health authorities for each city and county in the state.
- o Local health departments provide a wide range of services such as immunizations; family planning; adult, maternal, and child health; comprehensive health care (primary care); environmental health and communicable disease services.

DELIVERY METHOD

The 72 local health departments in Texas are funded primarily by local resources. However, they receive state and federal funds from the Department of Health in the form of contracts for personnel and for providing specific services.

TDH extends, monitors and evaluates contracts with local health departments across the State. The local health departments provide the services directly. They are required to charge minimal fees on a sliding scale basis for services funded by TDH contract; however, no one is to be refused services because of inability to pay.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All local health departments are eligible to receive funding for personnel. Individual services provided through contracts with the department may have specific client eligibility requirements.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 255 positions in 72 local health departments (est.)

FUNDING

State: 78.8%
Federal: 21.2%

Total FY 86: \$8,714,342* (est.)

* This figure does not include local funding for health care personnel. Local resources fund approximately 95% of local health department staffing.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 4414C and 4436b, V.T.C.S.

Federal: Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981).

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Local health departments also receive funding from TDH through contracts for delivery of specific services. See listing of all TDH programs.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The 72 local health departments with which the Department of Health contracts are located in cities and counties which comprise 80% of the state's population. TDH estimates that 2 million low-income persons live in the counties served by local health departments.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o Community services are provided in Texas Youth Commission (TYC) operated and contracted halfway houses, group homes, foster homes, residential treatment centers, therapeutic camps, maternity homes, basic care facilities, emergency shelters, and other community programs.
- o Depending upon the needs of the youth, services range from specialized drug treatment, alcohol treatment, or psychiatric counseling for severely emotionally disturbed youth to basic 24-hour supervision and outdoor camping experiences.
- o Parole services are provided after the youth leaves the alternative placement and is returned to his or her home community. Parole services include supervision, participation in parole hearings, case management, and assistance in arranging for necessary services in the community.

DELIVERY METHOD

Youth who are committed to TYC by the courts are transported initially to the Statewide Reception Center in Brownwood where a comprehensive assessment of the youth's needs is performed. (Youth in South Texas currently are being evaluated by a local diagnostic team as a pilot project rather than being transported to the Statewide Reception Center.)

Community placement is made by TYC staff in TYC-operated halfway houses and through contracts with programs operated by private providers (See Residential Contract Care). Parole services are provided directly by TYC parole officers and through contracts with local juvenile probation departments.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Youth committed to TYC by the courts who are between the ages of 10 and 21 for engaging in delinquent conduct prior to the youth's 17th birthday. TYC jurisdiction usually continues until age 18 but can continue until age 21 if circumstances warrant. A youth is eligible for community-based services if the initial assessment determines that this type of arrangement is more appropriate than an institutional placement.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 719 average daily population of youth in community services program
1,022 youth received parole services

FUNDING

State: 100%
Total FY 86: \$14,317,083 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 61, Human Resources Code
Titles 2 and 3, Texas Family Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Several other state agencies which serve troubled youth contract with privately-operated facilities for residential community services: TJPC, TDHS, TEA, and TDMHMR. These services are referred to as Residential Contract Care. See also: Child Protective Services (TDHS); State Aid to Counties (TJPC); Mental Health--Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR); Education of the Handicapped--Part B and Special Education Program (TEA). Youths released from a TYC institution (See Institutional Services) are placed either in Community Services facilities or on parole. In some areas of the State, TYC contracts with local juvenile probation departments for parole services (See State Aid to Counties/TJPC).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The TYC is responsible for the care, custody, and control of youth who have been committed by the courts for engaging in delinquent conduct. If the youth does not require the security of a TYC-operated institution, he or she is placed in a community program.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Programs in remedial and compensatory education services for students in local school districts.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) allocates funds to local school districts based on their average daily attendance. This allotment varies in relation to the basic state allotment to the school district.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

This program is available for students determined to be performing below State Board of Education Standards or any student who would benefit from the program as determined by the local school districts.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,076,508 students (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$331,432,510 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Texas Education Code, Section 16.152 and 21.557

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Services provided by this program are supplemented with funding received through the Education Consolidation and Improvement Act (TEA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Children not served in Early Childhood Intervention programs and other pre-kindergarten programs have greater chances of requiring services in this program at a later age.

Special Education Hotline: 1-800-252-9668

COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL REHABILITATION SERVICES (CMRS)
Texas Rehabilitation Commission

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides medical rehabilitation services specifically for persons with spinal cord and/or brain injuries to enable them to attain greater levels of independence and self-care, medical care, physical and occupational therapy, psychological and social services, nursing care, orthotic and prosthetic devices, laboratory and x-ray services, speech therapy and communication services.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive services on an in-patient basis at 11 designated comprehensive rehabilitation centers. The Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) authorizes the provision of services and then reimburses the private providers directly.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons who recently sustained a traumatic spinal cord and/or brain injury, who are not eligible for services through other resources, who have an economic need, and for whom there is reasonable expectation that services will improve independent functioning. TRC determines the individual's economic need based on criteria established by the agency including income, assets, and cost of living expenses.

NUMBER SERVED

FY: 22 persons (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$1,000,000 (appropriated)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 111.001 et seq.; Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

This program was established by the Texas Legislature because there were no other similar programs for persons who had experienced traumatic spinal cord and brain injuries. Most of the services previously available through TRC required that the individual demonstrate a willingness and potential for employability. This may not be a reasonable expectation for persons with brain or spinal cord injuries.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The CMRS program was authorized by the 69th Texas Legislature in 1985 and began operation in December of that year. TRC reports that all of the funds appropriated for this program were committed to persons authorized to receive services within 4 hours of the program's inception. Inpatient services at Comprehensive Medical Rehabilitation Centers usually range from 30 to 120 days per person.

COMPREHENSIVE REHABILITATION CENTER

Rehabilitation Services
Texas Commission for the Blind

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The Criss Cole Comprehensive Rehabilitation Center in Austin provides blind and deaf/blind individuals with intensive vocational and personal skills training. It is a 24-hour residential/training environment which combines a comprehensive array of specialized services into an intensive program for each individual which is not otherwise available in the state:

- counseling (vocational, personal adjustment, psychotherapy)
- career guidance (occupational exploration, computerized vocational job information system, job seeking skills clinic)
- adaptive skills training (orientation and mobility, cooking, home management, etc.)
- communication skills training (Braille, typing, money management)
- occupational therapy and physical development
- low vision evaluations and training
- medical management training
- therapeutic recreation and leisure management training
- community living skills training.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals are referred by TCB counselors throughout the state to staff at the Criss Cole Center. At the Center, a client receives services from one of two programs: training for the general population of blind clients, and training for blind clients who have major secondary disabilities or multiple disabilities requiring a longer period of training in a more structured setting. Also, specialized services for deaf/blind students are available in this facility.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Blind and visually handicapped Texans referred to the Commission for the Blind.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 420 referrals (est.) (The number of persons eligible is based on the number of legally and totally blind clients on active Vocational Rehabilitation caseloads.)

FUNDING

State: 20% (required match)
Federal: 80%

Total FY 86: \$2,280,675 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 5, Human Resources Code

Federal: The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; Public Law 98-221

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

This is a support service to the TCB Vocational Rehabilitation Program. A large percentage of clients can and do receive less intensive training from a rehabilitation teacher in their home area. Clients at the Criss Cole Center may also receive SSI, SSDI, Medicaid and/or Medicare benefits.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Blind was created in 1931 and went through the Sunset Review process for the 69th Legislative Session. The basic objectives for services are: 1) attainment of greatest work potential; 2) sight preservation/restoration; and 3) independent living.

This facility is the only comprehensive center for the blind and provides the only college preparatory training for blind college students in Texas.

Staff at the Rehabilitation Center also train professionals to work with and teach blind persons. Internships offer practical experience in orientation and mobility training. The Center provides training to Commission staff who provide direct training to clients.

Toll Free Services Information: 1-800-252-5204

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

TDH inspects manufacturing plants, retail and wholesale outlets, packagers, etc.; examines raw products; samples milk products at the dairy farm, and during transportation, processing, packaging, labeling, and distribution; conducts milk sanitation rating surveys; regulates use of synthetic narcotics such as methadone; adds, deletes, and reschedules controlled substances; monitors chemical additives and pesticides in food; tests for safe harvesting of shellfish and classifies shellfish growing waters; investigates complaints; and assesses administrative penalties.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDH personnel carry out services on-site throughout the State.

ELIGIBILITY

None

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 6,500 food manufacturers
(est.) 800 drug manufacturers and wholesalers
135 food and drug salvage dealers
36,000 food service establishments
23,000 retail manufacturing plants
2,400 dairies
120 shellfish plants
500 shellfish boats, docking and loading facilities
2,500 bedding manufacturers
1,500 hazardous product manufacturers

FUNDING

State: 98.2%
Federal: ~~3.5%~~ 1.5%
Other: .3% (fees)

Total FY 86: \$3,650,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 4476a, 4476-5a, 4476-5, 4476-8, 4476-11, 4476-13, and 4476-15

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Laboratories and Environmental Health (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

TDH has a contract with the federal Food and Drug Administration for inspection of food manufacturers and warehouses.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Mandatory services consist of inpatient and out-patient hospital services, rural health clinic services, physician services, laboratory and X-ray services, pharmacy, family planning services and skilled nursing facility services.

Each county's liability is limited to more than \$30,000 worth of services or 30 days of hospitalization per patient per year.

DELIVERY METHOD

Texas law requires that all counties not fully covered by public hospitals or hospital districts provide mandatory services to resident indigents (see above service description). Public hospitals and hospital districts were already providing indigent health care prior to September 1, 1986 when this program became effective.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Minimum eligibility standards are based on Texas AFDC income and resource requirements (a family of three can earn no more than \$2,208 per year after allowable deductions and exclusions). AFDC in Texas covers those whose incomes are approximately 25% of the federal poverty level. However, a county may choose to use a more generous standard.

NUMBER SERVED

Because this program went into effect on September 1, 1986, the number to be served has not been established. However, TDHS estimates that approximately 99,130 people are eligible statewide.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 87: \$2,786,392*

*This is a state fund which reimburses counties at an 80-20 matching rate for expenditures over 10% of a county's general revenue tax levy. In addition, new county spending for this program is estimated to be \$20 million.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4438F V.R.C.S.
Chapter 14, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

County Indigent Health Care is part of a package of bills passed by the 69th Legislature to address the problem of indigent health care in Texas. Other parts of this legislative package include Primary Care Services and Maternal and Infant Health Improvement Services (TDH), Disproportionate Share and Integrated Eligibility (TDHS). See also: Medicaid (TDHS); Community Health Services (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

This program was established by the Indigent Health Care and Treatment Act, passed by the 69th Legislature, First Called Session, to provide health care to indigents who do not qualify for other local, state or federal programs.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Diagnosis and evaluation; restorative and corrective medical treatment; speech, occupational and physical therapy; orthotic and prosthetic devices; use of durable medical equipment; transportation; parent meals and lodging; and case management.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDH reimburses hospitals and physicians who have been approved by the Board of Health to provide services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Children under 21 who have a joint, bone, ossicular chain, muscle, or neurological defect or deformity, including spina bifida and neurofibromatosis; cancer; and other diseases and conditions specifically authorized by the General Appropriations Act and by TDH Board-adopted rules. Persons of any age with cystic fibrosis are also eligible. Children must be legal residents of Texas and must have a gross family income less than 200% of poverty (approximately \$18,240/family of three).

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 14,500* (est.) at approximately \$1,700/patient.

* The department estimates that 70,424 children are eligible for services.

FUNDING

State: 88.3%
Federal: 11.7% (Maternal and Child Health Block Grant)

Total FY 86: \$28,600,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4419c, V.T.C.S. (Disabled Children's Services Act)
Federal: 42 USC 701 et seq.; Title V, Social Security Act
Maternal and Child Health Block Grant

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Children requiring ophthalmologic (eye) surgery may be referred to this program through the Texas Commission for the Blind's Visually Handicapped Children's Program if the visual handicap is not the sole or primary disabling condition. See also SSI Disabled Children, Children's Outreach Heart Program, Hemophilia Assistance, Epilepsy, and Maternal and Child Health (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Established in 1933, the Crippled Children's Services program provides for physical restoration services to children under 21 who have congenital defects or certain chronic illnesses. These children have physical or medical impairments which may partially or totally incapacitate them for educational or occupational purposes.

TDH functions as the payor of last resort if children are covered by Medicaid, Medicare, or any other health insurance policy. Burial expenses and costs incurred transporting the deceased from the hospital to the place of burial may be provided for eligible children who die while hospitalized for a condition covered under this program.

The Maternal and Child Health Block Grant requires a 4/7 state match. The majority of funds are spent under the Maternal and Child Health Program (TDH). It is the sole source of funding of federal for Crippled Children.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Deaf-Blind students receive training in: communication, pre-vocation, physical/motor development, functional living skills, social/emotional development and cognitive development. Parent training is provided through home programs and workshops. A respite program is provided to improve leisure time skills and/or respite services for families in need throughout the state. Comprehensive assessments on each student are updated annually.

DELIVERY METHOD

Each student is thoroughly evaluated to determine his or her abilities and needs. Staff is available for one-to-one instruction in communication skills, social and cognitive development, gross motor functioning, orientation and mobility, daily living skills and recreational activities. Learning and behavior management is accomplished through an on-going emphasis on positive reinforcement and formal behavior management plans.

Inservice training is provided for staff because of the lack of available training for teachers wishing to specialize in deaf/blind education. Texas School for the Blind (TSB) also provides training for professionals throughout the State.

TSB is located in Austin.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students are accepted to the TSB after the Admission, Review, and Dismissal Committee (ARD) in the students' home school districts determine that the educational needs of the student cannot be met.

Age Requirement: 5 - 21 years.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 41 students

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$533,282 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.06, Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

This program is offered with the Deaf/Blind Residential Program (TSB).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of TSB from the State Board of Education. TSB is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment from their home school districts for each student enrolled in TSB. This has had the effect of decreasing the number of referrals to TSB from local school districts.

This program requires a Staff/Student Ratio of 1:2 for the instructional program and 1:3 for living instruction.

Information Hotline: 1-800-TSB-KARE

DEAF/BLIND MULTIHANDICAPPED SERVICES
Texas Rehabilitation Commission

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Services include: an outdoor training program (a one-week summer camp); 24-hour residential and day programs; and parent counseling. Residential and day services may include vocational and daily living skills training as well as educational services. The day program may also be used to provide respite care.

DELIVERY METHOD

TRC contracts with the Soroptimist Club for the one-week camp at Lewisville and with private non-profit organizations for residential and day services. Currently, there are only two residential and day programs which are located in Dallas and Houston. These provide a total of fourteen 24-hour slots. Clients may be referred to this program from a variety of sources, including the Texas Commission for the Blind, Texas Commission for the Deaf, parents, school districts, Independent Living Centers, and Education Service Centers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons who have both visual and hearing impairments which substantially impede their ability to live independently even after the best correction has been obtained. Residential services are for adults without regard to income. There are no age or income requirements for the one-week summer camp. Some clients may be assessed a fee based on their ability to pay for services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 50 families received counseling (est.)
50 persons participated in summer camp (est.)
14 persons received residential or day services (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%
Total FY 86: \$163,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 113.001 et seq., Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The two residential and day programs also receive financial support from local resources and through federal funding for developmental disabilities (See Texas Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities). For other programs serving deaf-blind persons see Deaf/Blind Residential Program and Deaf/Blind Instruction, (TSB); Outdoor Training Program (TCD); Special Education Programs, EHA Part C - Deaf/Blind, and ECIA Chapter 1 Handicapped (TEA); and Extended Rehabilitation Services, Independent Living Centers, and Independent Living Services (TRC).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1985, the 69th Texas Legislature transferred the Deaf-Blind Multi-handicapped Program from the Texas Commission for the Deaf to the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Deaf/Blind students are provided a safe learning environment, adapted to their special needs and where behavioral and functional living skills development can continue during the hours of 3:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

DELIVERY METHOD

The team concept is used to provide consistent teaching between the residential and instructional staff. Each student's team meets at least once a week to make certain that educational programs, behavior problems, and concerns regarding each student are discussed by all staff working with that specific student.

Developmental gym and motor programs are used in the student's evening schedules. Recreational programs and access to community events are used to provide the student with the least restrictive environment possible. Families observe their children at least one time per year during dormitory hours. The newly opened group-living homes are intended as a model for community placements as an adult.

The Texas School for the Blind (TSB) is located in Austin.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students enrolled in the TSB deaf/blind educational program. Students are accepted to the TSB after the Admission, Review and Dismissal Committees (ARD) in the students' home school districts determine that their educational needs cannot be met.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 41 students

FUNDING

State: 91%
Federal: 9%

Total FY 86: \$1,071,080 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 11.06, Texas Education Code.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see Deaf/Blind Instructional Programs (TSB).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of TSB from the State Board of Education. TSB is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment from their home school districts for each student enrolled in TSB. This has had the effect of decreasing the number of referrals to TSB from local school districts.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29, the board organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSB must comply with the rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual costs per student varies by program. The highest costs are associated with the multi-handicapped students, whose population has been steadily increasing.

Information Hotline: 1-800-TSB-KARE

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Three types of dental health-related services are provided under this program: dental treatment for eligible children, dental health education for school children, and fluoridation services for small community water systems.

Specific services include: basic restorative services to prevent premature loss of teeth and emergency treatment, including extractions, for the relief of infection. Dental health education includes classroom instruction to children regarding preventive dental health practices. Community water fluoridation services include grants to purchase fluoridation equipment and chemicals and training courses in fluoridation for water systems operators.

DELIVERY METHOD

- o Dental treatment: Dental care services are provided in fixed and mobile dental clinics by state-employed dentists, dental hygienists and dental assistants; financial assistance is provided to local health departments to pay dentists on an hourly basis for services provided to eligible children; and TDH pays private practitioners to provide services in areas where no other treatment program is available. The "fee-for-service" for private practitioners is limited to \$100 per child per year.
- o Dental health education: State personnel conduct workshops to train teachers in methods for teaching preventive dental health education in the classroom. TDH personnel also work with professional dental organizations and parent groups on certain dental health projects.
- o Community water fluoridation: Financial assistance in the form of contracts is provided to communities to help them fluoridate their water systems. Funds are used for equipment, chemicals, and training for water systems operators.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Dental treatment: Children under 19 who are not eligible for any other dental programs and whose family income meets federal guidelines for free lunch under the National School Lunch program (between \$0 and \$11,856 for a family of three). Dental health education: All children in grades K-12 are eligible. Community water fluoridation: Community water systems which serve populations of 1,000 or more and who wish to fluoridate are eligible for contracts after submitting plans and specifications for review by TDH.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 17,962 children received dental care;
224,663 children received dental health education; and
14 community water systems received fluoridation assistance

FUNDING

State: 81%
Federal: 19%

Total FY 86: \$2,412,329

Dental treatment and dental health education are funded almost entirely with state funds. Community water fluoridation is 100% federally funded.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4418g-2, V.T.C.S.
Federal: Title V, Social Security Act
Section 901, Title IX Public Health Services Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (TDHS).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Develops a state plan in compliance with the federal Developmental Disabilities Act; funds research, planning, and service activities such as model programs for developmental disabilities, expansion of existing services, and training for professionals, parents and volunteers who work with developmentally disabled clients (at least 65% of federal funds must be used in federally-defined priority service areas: child development, case management, alternative community living arrangements, and employment-related activities); advocacy; public information; interagency coordination; and monitors and evaluates implementation of the state plan.

DELIVERY METHOD

Persons may be referred to services through a variety of sources such as Special Education directors, Education Service Centers, and Community Mental Health and Mental Retardation Centers. The Council (commonly called the DD Council) distributes information widely on projects receiving funding. The DD Council makes recommendations to the Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) on areas of activities to be funded, and the grants and contracts are awarded directly by TRC.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Developmental disabilities are defined as severe, chronic disabilities related to mental or physical impairments which are manifested before the age of 22. Eligibility for services is determined by the grantee based on criteria suggested by the DD Council. Private, non-profit organizations, public agencies, and institutions of higher education are eligible to receive developmental disabilities grants. All grants must provide non-federal matching resources. In poverty areas the minimum match is 10%. In all other areas the minimum match is 25%.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 3,073 (est.)

This represents approximately 1.5% of the persons with developmental disabilities in Texas.

FUNDING

State:	6%
Federal:	68%
Other:	26% (Grantees' match)

Total FY 86: \$3,989,875 (est.)

The grants are 100% federally funded. Some state funds may be used for grants management and direct administrative costs.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Sec. 112.001 et seq., Human Resources Code
Federal: Public Law 98-527; Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Texas Department of Human Services, Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, Texas Department of Health, Texas Rehabilitation Commission, Texas Commission for the Blind, Texas Education Agency, and Texas Commission for the Deaf provide services which may be used by persons with developmental disabilities. These agencies also are represented on the DD Council.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Persons who are developmentally disabled have substantial limitations in at least three of the following areas of major life activity: self-care, self-direction, learning, language, mobility, or capacity for independence and economic self-sufficiency. Since 1963, federal laws have authorized financial assistance to assist states in serving persons with developmental disabilities. In order to receive funding, states are required to have a planning council and to designate an existing state agency to receive and administer federal funds.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The Department of Human Services (TDHS) provides a one-time assistance grant of up to \$5000 to disaster victims of a major, presidentially-declared disaster. Funding is used to meet necessary expenses for which insurance or other governmental assistance is either unavailable or inadequate.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS uses in-house and temporary staff at local offices statewide to determine eligibility for disaster assistance payments.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Clients must be victims of a presidentially-declared disaster.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 325 families (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 73%

~~Other:~~ 27%

State:

Total FY 86: \$1,034,268 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 22, Human Resources Code

Federal: Disaster Relief Act of 1974

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Grants are funded from the Governor's Disaster Contingency Fund and federal funds. See Emergency Nutrition/Temporary Emergency Relief Services (TDHS) for information on state-funded emergency assistance.

DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENT
Texas Department of Human Services

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

State funds will be distributed to those hospitals in Texas that care for large numbers of indigent patients, as determined by criteria developed by (TDHS).

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS will distribute this money to qualifying hospitals during the 1986-87 biennium after eligibility rules have been developed.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

TDHS is in the process of developing rules that will determine which hospitals will receive funds in 1987.

NUMBER SERVED

Until rules are developed, the precise number of hospitals qualifying for reimbursement is not known. For FY 1986, it is estimated that 75 hospitals will meet the standards for reimbursement.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$2,000,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4438F, V.T.C.S.
Chapter 14, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Also see: Primary Health Care Services, Maternal and Infant Health Improvement Services (TDH); Integrated Eligibility Determination and County Indigent Health Care (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

This service was created by the 69th Texas Legislature to reimburse hospitals that treat a disproportionate number of poor patients. National studies indicate that these hospitals risk insolvency because indigent patients often require extensive and costly treatment and federal programs such as Medicaid do not adequately reimburse hospitals for their services. Texas hospitals have one of the highest uncompensated care burdens in the nation.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Residential and out-patient treatment and rehabilitation services to begin and stabilize abstinence from drugs and inhalants; intervention, alternatives, information, and education services for those who are either experimenting with or abusing drugs; and research regarding the extent of drug abuse and the effectiveness of services.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals can access services through non-profit and public agencies throughout Texas. The Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA) provides grants and contracts, and monitors the agencies for compliance with grant and contract provisions.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

No income eligibility requirements. Intervention, alternatives, information and education services are targeted at youths who are at high risk of involvement in drug use or abuse. Treatment and rehabilitation services are targeted at persons who are drug dependent.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86:	172,168	Prevention Services
(actual)	5,561	Intervention Services:
	11,921	Treatment Services:

TCADA estimates that 159,264 persons need treatment for opiate abuse, 353,780 need treatment for marijuana abuse, and 435,422 require treatment for abuse of other drugs.

FUNDING

State:	8%
Federal:	92% (Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Block Grant)

Total FY 86: \$4,204,476 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State:	Article 5561C-2, VACS
Federal:	45 CFR 96

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

This is one of several services offered by the Commission to deal with substance abuse. Other services include those described under Intervention, Institutional Treatment and Rehabilitation, Community-based Treatment and Rehabilitation and Primary Prevention (all TCADA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1985, the 69th Texas Legislature transferred the responsibility for drug abuse services from the Texas Department of Community Affairs to the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. This program provides funding for community services for the treatment and prevention of drug abuse.

Information, education, referral, alternatives and counseling services focus on students, high-risk children, juvenile offenders, and children of drug dependent parents. In 1986, approximately 3,158 youths, aged 17 and under, will be arrested for drug offenses. Over 56% of admissions to drug abuse treatment programs funded by TCADA are referred by probation and parole agencies. Federal funding for this program is provided through the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Block Grant. The amount Texas receives is based on a federal formula which determines each state's allocation. TDMHMR is the state agency designated to receive the entire grant. TDMHMR then transfers the alcohol and drug abuse portions to TCADA.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Identifies children who are developmentally delayed or at risk of delay and provides critical intervention services. This program is for children who have delays in motor skills, cognitive skills, learning, language or social development or who have medical problems that are likely to result in a delay of one or more of these capabilities or skills. Provides medical and educational services; speech, physical, and occupational therapy; adaptive equipment; transportation, and case management. Parent training and counseling services are also included.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are delivered either in a central location or in the child's home. The Texas Interagency Council on Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) provides grants to community-based public and private programs. Approximately 62 programs received funding in FY 86. The Council is composed of representatives of TDH, TDMHMR, TEA, TDHS, and one public member.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Children age six or under who are developmentally delayed or at risk of delay. Although some programs charge fees based on income, no child is denied services due to an inability to pay.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 8,700 children (est.) out of approximately 240,238 children in need of services.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$9,607,480 (appropriated)

A 20% local match is required to receive state funds; however, the average local contribution currently comprises about 50% of each program's total costs.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 73, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Local coordination is required through ECI regulations to avoid duplication and gaps in services. ECI programs use existing community resources, adding services only when necessary to meet the total needs of the child. Local school districts provide similar services for visually handicapped children, age 0-21 years. Please see: Visually Handicapped Services (TEA); Crippled Children's Program, Maternal and Child Health, and Vision, Speech, and Hearing, (TDH).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

TDCA uses federal block grant money to organize community efforts to reduce malnutrition, promote public health, reduce energy costs and provide healthier environments for the elderly, handicapped and indigent. Depending upon the community provider, various services may be funded, e.g. local transportation, health clinics, senior citizen nutrition programs, food stamp application assistance, emergency food and housing, medical bill payment, weatherization assistance, and payment of utility bills.

DELIVERY METHOD

Clients' receive services through the 54 community action agencies in Texas. In a few areas, a Council of Government or the county is the provider of services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Clients income must be 100% or less than federal poverty guidelines. A family of three may earn no more than \$9,120.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,619,800 (est.) TDCA estimates that some direct services are provided to 78% of the population at or below the federal poverty level.

FUNDING

Federal: 74%
Interagency
Contracts: 26% (Weatherization contract with TDHS)

Total FY 86: \$28,012,004*

*This figure does not reflect a 20% local match that is required of the provider of the service.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4413 (201), VACS
Federal: 42 USC 5301

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Similar services may be provided by Local Services (TDOA), In-House Services (TDHS), or local health departments.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Economically Disadvantaged Services includes the Community Services Block Grant Program, the Weatherization Assistance for Low Income Persons Program, the Energy Crisis Intervention Program, and the Solar Energy and Energy Conservation Bank Program.

The toll-free number for information on TDCA Programs is 1-800-252-9642.

EDUCATION CONSOLIDATION AND IMPROVEMENT ACT (ECIA)
CHAPTER 1 - DELINQUENT, NEGLECTED AND CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS
Texas Education Agency

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Funds are used to supplement activities of state agencies directly responsible for providing education to children in state adult correctional institutions and institutions for the neglected and delinquent. Funds are used for instructional staff, teaching materials, equipment, and related costs.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) surveys programs for the Federal Administration which allocates funding on a per-child basis to local school districts.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Clients must be: 1) neglected and delinquent children in the Texas Youth Commission's six state institutions, or 2) children ages 17-21 in average daily attendance at state adult correctional institutions.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 3,692 students (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$1,602,911

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Education Consolidation and Improvement Act of 1981
Public Law 97-35

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See also: Institutional Services of the Texas Youth Commission.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

ECIA funding is administered by the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education. Total national funding for this program was \$3.7 billion for FY 85. Texas has provided federally funded compensatory education and services since enactment of the ECIA.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

A federal program administered through the Texas Education Agency to provide financial assistance for serving handicapped students who are or were in state operated or state supported programs such as State Schools or Regional Day Schools for the Deaf.

These funds are used to provide supplemental services intended to help the student reach a maximum level of self-sufficiency. Priorities include individual student services, staff training, dissemination of information, and coordination with other agencies.

DELIVERY METHODS

Students receive the services in their local schools, state schools or the Texas School for the Blind and the Texas School for the Deaf. Funding is channeled through the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to the programs that provide direct services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Handicapped students under age 21, previously or currently enrolled in a local school or a state-supported or state-operated program. Each application is reviewed by October 1 of every school year.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: approximately 11,000 students

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$6,382,151

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Chapter 1, Education Consolidation and Improvement Act of 1981.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The majority of handicapped students receiving benefits from these funds are provided services through the State Schools for the Mentally Retarded, the Texas School for the Blind, the Texas School for the Deaf, and some local school districts.

Also see: Education of the Handicapped-Part B & C, Regional Services for the Deaf, Special Education Program, Visually Handicapped Services and Visually Handicapped--Statewide Program (TEA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Special Education Hotline: 1-800-252-9668.

EDUCATION CONSOLIDATION AND IMPROVEMENT ACT (ECIA)

Chapter 1 - Migrant
Texas Education Agency

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides supplementary instructional services for migrant children in oral language development, reading, writing, English language arts, and mathematics. Support services such as guidance and counseling, attendance services, health referrals, parental involvement programs, and identification and recruitment of migrant students may also be provided.

DELIVERY METHOD

The students are served by a local school districts and regional education service centers which apply for funds from the Texas Education Agency (TEA), Division of Migrant Education.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Participants are children of agricultural workers and fishers; no income or resources test is required.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 75,473 children in Texas (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$60,041,990 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Education Consolidation and Improvement Act of 1981
Public Law 97-35, Title V

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Reductions in Chapter I-Migrant support services currently provided by school districts would shift burden to other health and human service agencies, most notably in areas of health and family support services. Please see 1) Bilingual Education, Foundation School Program, 2) Summer School, Foundation School Program, 3) Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Title VII - Bilingual Education, and 4) Refugee Children--Transition Program (TEA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

ECIA funding is administered by the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education. Total national funding for this program was \$3.7 billion for FY 85. Texas has provided federally funded compensatory education and services since enactment of the ECIA.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Funds are used to pay for salary costs of special education personnel, special materials and equipment, related services, consultant services, student evaluation services, staff travel, and related services and residential care costs for residential placements of severely handicapped students in non-public schools approved by the Texas Education Agency (TEA).

These funds supplement state and local funds in the provision of special education instruction and related services for all handicapped students, special services for three-, four-, and five year-olds, and special education teacher training.

DELIVERY METHOD

TEA allocates federal funds primarily through local school districts and special education cooperatives supplemented by services from the regional education service centers. Funding is allocated on a per child basis through a count of students taken each year on December 1.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students served are handicapped students from age 3 through 21 who meet the criteria established in Section 89.11 of the State Board of Education Rules.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 283,000 students (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$57,699,690

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Education of the Handicapped Act-Part B, as amended by Public Law 94-142.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

These students are also served through funding provided by the Special Education Program (TEA).

Several other agencies serve troubled youth by contracting with privately-operated facilities for residential care. Please see: Child Protective Services (TDHS); State Aid to Counties (TJPC); Mental Health--Contracted Services (TDMHMR); and Community Services (TYC). Local funds from school districts also contribute to payment for Residential Care.

As the other agencies shift their focus to adult services, school districts will feel the burden of increased demand for eligible handicapped students while facing a decrease in the amount of available funds. The result will be a reduction in the quality of services provided and perhaps some service needs being unfulfilled. Related services may be provided only as needed to support the instructional program according to the provisions in Public Law 94-142.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Special Education Hotline: 1-800-252-9668.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Services include: technical assistance in transition services from education programs to future living and work settings, sheltered living experiences, vocational training, and related services; consultative/counseling services to families and service providers; inservice training for staff working with deaf-blind persons; and coordination of activities with other agencies.

DELIVERY METHOD

Children receive this aid in their local schools. The Texas Education Agency (TEA) provides technical assistance in local schools or residential facilities on an as-needed basis.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Deaf-blind children ages 0-21.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 288 students (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$251,380

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Education of the Handicapped Act (EHA) - Part C, Public Law 91-23C. Part C, Section 622; as amended by Public Law 98-199.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

School Districts also receive special education funds to serve these students. Seven state agencies including the Texas Department of Human Services, Texas Department of Health, Texas Commission for the Blind, Texas Education Agency, Texas Commission for the Deaf, Texas Rehabilitation Commission, and the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation participate in an interagency task force for services to deaf-blind which serves as the Advisory Committee for these grant funds.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Deaf-Blind Program provides technical assistance to school districts, other service providers, and families to ensure the development and implementation of individualized instructional programs appropriate to the needs of identified deaf-blind children. Also see: Education Consolidation and Improvement Act, Chapter 1-handicapped; and the Special Education (TEA).

Special Education Hotline: 1-800-252-9668

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The Lower School consists of the Parent/Infant, Early Childhood, and Elementary programs. The objectives of the Lower School Program are to: 1) provide quality education programs to early childhood and elementary deaf students, ages 0-12; 2) design and implement Individualized Education Plans (IEP) which meet the unique needs of the diverse student population; 3) provide quality related and support services; and 4) provide outreach parent/infant programming aimed at early identification and intervention.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) is located in Austin. Students receive direct instruction from a classroom teacher, and support services are provided by teacher aides, speech therapists, an audiologist, a counselor, and occupational/physical therapists, as appropriate. Psychological services and psychiatric consultation are also available as needed. Physical Education is offered as well as art, library, and rhythm programs. In the early childhood programs, parents are visited weekly by the Parent-Infant Advisor. Parents are active participants in the instructional program.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Age: Birth - 12 years. Student must be hearing impaired or deaf and referred by their local school districts through the Admission, Review and Dismissal (ARD) process or by their parents under State Law.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 70 children

FUNDING

State: 96%
Federal: 2%
Other: 2%

Total FY 86: \$1,984,507 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.03, Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see Education Program/Upper School and Residential Programs (TSD).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In FY 86, 52% of the children in this program were enrolled in smaller classes designed to adapt to special needs.

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of TSD from the State Board of Education. TSD is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment, for each student that is enrolled in TSD, from their home school districts.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29, the board organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSD must comply with all rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual cost per student varies with each program, with the highest costs associated with the multi-handicapped students whose population has been steadily increasing.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Services are designed to: 1) provide comprehensive secondary programs to students in grades 6 - 12; 2) promote personal and social development, career development and independent living through mastery of the basic skills in communication, computation, and thinking; 3) provide an array of courses in academics, vocational life skills and electives which support each student's Individual Education Plan (IEP); and 4) provide a continuum of learning environments and methodologies that allow each student to achieve his or her maximum potential.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) is located in Austin. The Middle School offers academic and adapted instructional programs with an emphasis on reading, language, math and pre-vocational training. Classes are grouped by age and abilities and rotate among subject areas. Electives are available in physical education, art and drama.

The High School program evolves around the 4, 5, and 6 year plans for student graduations that are outlined in the student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP). There are four academic options available to the students. Each option is chosen in concert with the student's current level of functioning in academic and social realms. The range is from option 1, which provides a strong accredited high school academic program with a full range of required and elective courses, to option 4, which emphasizes life skills training and work adjustment. Resource room support for secondary multi-handicapped deaf students with emotional and/or behavioral problems is available to both Middle School and High School students.

The Vocational Department provides vocational orientation, work adjustment training and in-depth skills training in 15-20 career cluster areas. Training for productive employment also includes a sequenced job training program as well as structured work adjustment training. Many students participate in a cooperative work study program in the final two years of schooling and are placed in competitive jobs in the community.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Middle School: Age 12 - 15, Grades 6, 7, 8

High School: Age 15 - 22, Grades 9 - 12

Students must be hearing impaired and referred by their local school districts through the Admission, Review and Dismissal (ARD) process or by their parents under State Law.

NUMBER SERVED

Approximately 278 students were enrolled for the 1985-86 school year.

FUNDING

State: 96%
Federal: 2%
Other: 2%

Total FY 86: \$2,359,423 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.03, Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Education Program Lower/School and Residential Services (TSD).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

All students in the Upper School (grades 9 - 12) programs participate in the school athletic, recreation and physical recreation programs. Physical Education classes are provided as per Texas Education Agency (TEA) guidelines and the recreation program is designed to nurture productive use of leisure time.

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Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29 (1981), the board organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSD must comply with all rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual cost per student varies with each program, with the highest costs associated with the multi-handicapped students whose population has been steadily increasing.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Clients can obtain case management services, transportation assistance and communication services. The purpose of this program is: (1) to provide services which reduce the need for individuals to enter long-term care facilities; (2) to provide information to agencies, older people who are hearing impaired, concerned individuals, and the general public; and (3) to provide training to personnel serving the elderly.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Commission contracts with 16 community-based Councils on Deafness to serve elderly persons that are deaf or hearing impaired. The organizations identify clients, assess population needs, arrange for service provision through the most appropriate source, develop resources, and promote services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Client must be elderly and deaf or hearing impaired.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 21,500 clients contacted and served (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$64,500 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 81, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Clients often are recipients of Medicaid (TDHS), Medicare, Message Relay Services and Information and Referral Services (TCD).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Deaf was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 by the 66th Legislature. On behalf of deaf Texans, the agency works toward several objectives: 1) to implement a statewide advocacy and education program; 2) to provide direct services to the deaf and hearing impaired; and 3) to establish coordination of services offered to the deaf and hearing impaired at the agency level.

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT (ESEA)
Title VII-Bilingual Education
Texas Education Agency

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Funds are used: 1) to provide technical assistance to special instructional programs serving students who have limited english proficiency and 2) to provide staff development of bilingual teachers.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) allocates federal funds to local school districts applying for funding; TEA also provides technical assistance to these districts.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Limited English proficient students who reside in school districts where there is a high need identified for bilingual programs.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 350 bilingual programs were supplemented (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$275,375 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Texas Education Code, Section 21.454

Federal: Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Title VII

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: 1) ECIA - Migrant Education, 2) Refugee Children--Transition Program, 3) Bilingual Education, Foundation School Program, and 4) Summer School, Foundation School Program (TEA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The ESEA was enacted by Congress in 1965 to provide compensatory education. The program authorized grants to elementary and secondary schools and was particularly meant to address the needs of low-income families. Approximately \$3.5 million in federal funds flow ~~through TEA~~ to schools in Texas to supplement bilingual instruction. *directly*

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION PROGRAMS
Texas School for the Blind

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Education programs are provided in accordance with a written Individual Education Plan (IEP) for each student which is developed by staff.

The Elementary Program offers a non-graded, individualized education program for each student which encompasses a standard elementary curriculum. It provides summer school opportunities, low vision clinic screening, adapted games, adapted gym, orientation and mobility training and pre-vocational training.

The Secondary Program offers an opportunity to obtain a high school diploma with college preparation and secondary, ungraded coursework. It also offers a summer school program and orientation and mobility training. The summer school session assists students who receive services from their home school districts during the regular term, but can acquire additional skills and assistance not always available in the home district. In the Learning Resource Center high-tech reading and learning aids and adapted computers allow Texas School for the Blind (TSB) students to be competitive with sighted peers.

During the regular school term, students may participate in a cooperative exchange program with the local Austin Independent School District (AISD) in which TSB students attend programs on a part-time basis and AISD students attend TSB.

DELIVERY METHOD

Upon enrollment, the student's needs and skills are evaluated and used to design an Individual Education Plan (IEP) which is used by educational and recreational staff in developing curricula and activities. Classes are held in classrooms much like regular schools with the addition of equipment and tools necessary to teach visually handicapped children. Certified teachers work with the visually handicapped along with other staff such as educational diagnosticians, occupational and physical therapists, and orientation and mobility specialists.

The TSB is located in Austin.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

A student is accepted to the TSB after the Admission, Review, and Dismissal Committee (ARD) in the student's home school district determines that their educational needs are better met at TSB or cannot be provided for in the local system.

Elementary Program: Age 6 through 14 years
Secondary Program: Age 14 through 21 years

NUMBER SERVED

For school year 1985-86, 200 students were enrolled in the regular session and 170 students were enrolled in the summer session.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 85: \$441,798 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.06, Texas Education Code.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Most students reside on campus: please see Elementary and Secondary Residential Programs (TSB). Deaf/blind students and severely handicapped students receive instruction which is outlined in Deaf/Blind Instruction, Deaf/Blind Residential Program, Severely Handicapped Instruction and Severely Handicapped Residential program pages (TSB).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of TSB from the State Board of Education. TSB is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment from their home school districts for each student enrolled in TSB. This has had the effect of decreasing the number of referrals to TSB from local school districts.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29, the board organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSB must comply with the rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual cost per student varies by program. The highest costs are associated with the multi-handicapped students, whose population has been steadily increasing.

Information Hotline: 1-800-TSB-KARE

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides direct care and instruction for residential students in a safe and supportive environment during non-school hours. The programs provide a home-like atmosphere with both formal and informal instruction in the areas of daily living skills, grooming, social skills, money management and leisure skills.

DELIVERY METHOD

Each elementary dormitory unit is managed by a Child Development Specialist II. Students are grouped by age and developmental level with staff to student ratios varying by student functioning levels. The secondary residential program is divided into dormitory units which place the students in groups of developmentally appropriate peers. The school maintains five dormitories in which 24-hour supervision is used.

The residential program also includes an Independent Living Training Facility in which a small number of students are exposed to apartment living complete with meal preparation, housekeeping, budgeting and shopping.

A team composed of teachers, related service staff and residential staff develop individual 24-hour programs for each student. This includes cooperation with the recreation staff to ensure that each student progresses socially and through the appropriate use of leisure time. Additionally, residential staff arrange transportation to and from school, maintain student possessions and supplies, contact parents and guardians, and perform light house keeping duties. Staff is apportioned so that the most direct care is concentrated on the multi-handicapped population.

The Texas School for the Blind (TSB) is located in Austin.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students are accepted to the TSB after the Admission, Review and Dismissal Committees (ARD) in the students' home school districts determine that the educational needs of the student cannot be met.

First priority for residential care goes to students who reside outside of Austin.

NUMBER SERVED

147 Students resided on-campus in school year 1985-86.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 85: \$2,968,428 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.05, Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Independent Living Program greatly enhances the transition to independent living upon graduation. In addition, the program reduces training time and costs incurred by the Commission for the Blind to achieve transition for graduates.

Please see Elementary and Secondary Education Programs (TSB).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

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Information Hotline: 1-800-TSB-KARE

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o EMS training, examination, and certification of personnel; registry for EMS personnel, providers and vehicles; collection of EMS fees; inspection of ambulances; technical assistance in development of EMS systems;
- o Technical assistance to and funding for sexual assault medical and legal advocacy, transportation and shelter for sexual assault victims; data collection and research;
- o Training local governments in use of radiological detection instruments; maintenance and calibration of radiological instruments;
- o Training to local governments in handling hazardous materials accidents and in disaster response preparedness; development of the state's disaster response plan in cooperation with the DPS; assistance to local EMS providers in planning for the responding to mass casualty incidents;
- o Evaluations of driving capability of persons applying for drivers' licenses who have been referred by DPS because of medical impairment; law enforcement training on recognizing medical conditions which contribute to unsafe driving.

DELIVERY METHOD

- o Disaster response services are coordinated with local governments' emergency response organizations and the Department of Public Safety.
- o Sexual assault services are provided through contracts with local rape crisis centers.
- o TDH contracts for EMS training and local planning for upgrading EMS systems; examination and certification of personnel is performed by the state agency. Regional TDH staff inspect ambulances, approve training courses, and conduct certification exams.
- o Physicians and optometrists employed by TDH screen and review medical reports and render opinions on applicants for drivers' licenses who have been referred by DPS.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility for the various grants and contracts depends on the qualifications and services required for each program. Law enforcement officers, fire departments, other emergency response organizations, city and county governments, Councils of Government (COGs), and other public and private non-profit organizations may be eligible to receive services or grants for services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 43 rape crisis centers
(est.) 11,991 EMS personnel certified
2,771 law enforcement personnel trained
1,347 ambulances inspected
2,800 vehicles permitted issued
11,738 applicants for drivers' licenses reviewed for DPS

FUNDING

State: 51.5%
Federal: 38.9%
Other: 9.6% (includes EMS fees)

Total FY 86: \$3,695,526 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 4414a, 4418a and d, 4447f and o, 6701j, 6687b, and
6889-7, V.T.C.S.
Federal: P.L. 288, 361, 920, 93-154, 93-156, 93-157, 94-573, 95-37
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant

EMERGENCY NUTRITION/TEMPORARY EMERGENCY RELIEF SERVICES

Texas Department of Human Services

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Needy persons are provided with non-cash assistance in the form of food, utilities, housing and clothing.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals may find out who the EN/TERP provider is by contacting the local TDHS office or the county assistance office. TDHS awards grants to local units of government or non-profit organizations to provide services. County governments are given priority in awarding the grants, but if a county does not apply for emergency funds, then applications from other entities within the county are considered. Organizations receiving grants must match state funds dollar for dollar. Assistance is provided to eligible persons through vouchers or through the direct purchase of services by the provider.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Low income persons in need of emergency assistance. Local governments or agencies are allowed a certain amount of latitude in setting precise eligibility requirements, although they may not set income eligibility below 75% of the federal poverty guidelines for a family of three (approximately \$6,840/year).

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 63,697 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 1986: \$1,151,500 (est.)

This figure represents only the State appropriation. Grant recipients must match state funds dollar for dollar. A single grant to any county or agency may not exceed \$100,000.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapters 33 and 34, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Other sources of emergency assistance may be available at the local level but vary significantly, from local governments, Salvation Army, Food Banks and churches. See also: Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The 68th Texas Legislature established the Temporary Emergency Relief Program (TERP) in 1983 to provide temporary, emergency assistance to persons who are homeless or without other basic necessities. The 69th Legislature supplemented these services with an appropriation for emergency nutrition assistance known as EN/TERP.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Federal regulations require all Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) and Food Stamp recipients who are not exempt from federal work registration requirements to participate in employment services. Services include: assessment of employment skills, job referral, employment preparation, and group and individual job-seeking assistance. Assistance with day care and transportation may be provided for recipients seeking employment. Medicaid coverage also may be provided for four months after AFDC benefits are terminated to AFDC recipients who obtain employment.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) informs clients about work requirements upon application for benefits. AFDC clients are automatically registered with TDHS by virtue of applying for benefits. AFDC employment services are provided through a combination of direct services by TDHS, referral to the Texas Employment Commission (See Work Incentive Program), or through contracts with public and private non-profit and private for-profit providers. Food Stamp recipients are required to register with their local TEC offices in approximately 28 counties where TDHS has contracts for services (See Food Stamp Recipient Employment). All other Food Stamp recipients who are not exempt from federal requirements must actively seek work, and many of them use the basic Employment Services offered by local TEC offices across the state. Two projects serving teen parents and pregnant teens are operating in Houston and Dallas through contracts with non-profits agencies and existing community resources.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Unemployed recipients of AFDC, Supplemental Security Income, Food Stamps, Refugee Assistance, and teenage parents are eligible to participate. Federal regulations require that employment services be provided to all AFDC and Food Stamp recipients who are not exempt due to illness, disability, need to care for a disabled person or a child under six, or remoteness from employment opportunity. Clients who are required to participate and refuse to do so without good cause may lose their benefits.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 83,709 AFDC recipients registered for services (est.)
7,575 AFDC clients entering employment (est.)
10,387 Food Stamp clients entering employment (est.)
1,200 Teen parents and pregnant teenagers served in pilot projects
in Houston and El Paso (est.)

These numbers include some of the clients served by TEC under the Food Stamp Recipient Employment Services and Work Incentive (WIN) programs.

FUNDING

State: 22%
Federal: 78%

Total FY 86: \$7,345,128 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapters 22, 31, and 32, Human Resources Code
Federal: Titles IV-A, IV-C, and XX, Social Security Act
Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Work Incentive Program, Food Stamp Recipient Employment, and Job Training Partnership Act (TEC). See AFDC and Food Stamps for specific eligibility requirements for those programs. Clients of Employment Services (TDHS) who need adult education or vocational services are referred to other agencies and providers in the community who offer these services such as Adult Education and Job Training Partnership Act (TEA) and local literacy projects. See Teen Parent Initiative (TDHS) for information on the two pilot projects serving teenage parents.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Assistance in finding employment. The Texas Employment Commission (TEC) refers applicants to employers using automated job selection and referral systems in local TEC offices. Resource support is available in the form of occupational counseling, aptitude and proficiency testing, industrial services, test research and community participation. TEC maintains contact with employers to determine the skill requirements for job vacancies.

DELIVERY METHOD

TEC staff deliver these services in 125 local offices statewide.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Unemployed and underemployed persons aged 15 and over.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 309,812 persons placed (est.)

This figure constitutes 24% of the estimated 1,278,487 persons who applied for employment services in FY 86.

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$39,901,037 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5221b, VACS

Federal: 29 USC 49 et seq.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Cooperative relationships are maintained with Private Industry Councils (see JTPA), concerned employer groups, veterans organizations, and rehabilitation agencies.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The TEC provides two kinds of assistance to unemployed persons--assistance in finding employment and financial assistance.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Semi-annual financial assistance to help low income households meet the high cost of residential energy. Benefits vary based on household size and income and reflect average residential utility costs.

DELIVERY METHOD

Households may apply for benefits at the local TDHS office serving their area. Payments are made directly to the utility supplier whenever possible and to the client otherwise.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Benefits are available to households that receive AFDC, Food Stamps, Supplemental Security Income, and specified needs-tested veteran benefits if they pay their own utility bills. Other households are eligible if gross income is below 120% of the federal poverty level and if they pay their own utility bills. See program pages for specific eligibility requirements.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 397,001 households received heating assistance
(est.) 334,112 households received cooling assistance

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$34,154,163

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 31, Human Resources Code
Federal: Public Law 97-35

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

TDCA manages the Weatherization and Energy Crisis Intervention portions of this federal program (see Economically Disadvantaged Services/TDCA). Some local resources also provide assistance with utility bills.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Established in 1981, Energy Assistance Services are 100% federally-funded through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Block Grant.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Surveillance and regulation of public drinking water, municipal solid waste activities, and radiation sources; regulation of youth camps; licensure of migrant housing facilities; inspection of sanitary and other environmental conditions upon request at work sites and facilities providing care to children.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDH staff in the Central Office and 10 Public Health Regions perform on-site regulatory activities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

City or county governments, special districts, industrial organizations, institutions, or individuals requesting assistance.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 445 youth camps inspected
(est.) 180 migrant housing facilities licensed
5,708 surveillances of public drinking water systems
2,464 surveillances of municipal solid waste disposal sites
920 industrial hygiene inspections
1,034 occupational safety inspections
5,150 inspections of facilities requiring a radioactive material license or x-ray registration

FUNDING

State: 48%
Federal: 19%*
Other: 33% (Fees collected for certain regulatory activities)

Total FY 86: \$9,300,000 (est.)

*Approximately \$1.6 million in federal funds were obtained through two matching programs: water supply (60% state/40% federal) and occupational health (10% state/90% federal).

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 135B-5; 4447-1; 4477-1,3,7,8,9; 4590-F;
5182(A); 5182b; and 5221E-1, V.T.C.S.
Federal: Safe Drinking Water Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See also: Laboratories, Dental Health, Epidemiology, Consumer Health Services (TDH).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o Surveillance of reportable communicable and occupational diseases which include collection, compilation, analysis and interpretation of mortality;
- o Recommendations for control of outbreaks, and special cluster outbreak investigations;
- o Development and maintenance of data to identify needed intervention;
- o Maintaining a centralized cancer registry;
- o Dissemination of information statewide;
- o Provision of medical and epidemiological consultation to the general public and the public health community, and serving as central contact to the epidemiology functions of other states and the federal government.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDH epidemiologists and staff provide these services directly to local and regional health authorities, the medical community, and the public.

ELIGIBILITY

None; services are made available as needed.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 96 problems investigated
(est.) 175,547 cases reviewed
 3,791 received technical assistance
 328 received training
 5 received health risk evaluations
 48,540 records of new cancer cases abstracted

FUNDING

State: 82.1%
Federal: 17.9%

Total FY 86: \$1,717,873 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4418d, 4419b-1, 4477, and 5182c, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Texas Cancer Council, Laboratories, Vital Statistics Environmental Health, Veterinary Public Health Consumer Health, and Sexually Transmitted Diseases (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Department of Health is responsible for investigating outbreaks of infectious diseases as well as clusters of illness that may be a result of exposure to environmental or occupational health hazards. The Department also examines epidemiology of injuries, maintains the central cancer registry, and compiles statistics on reportable diseases in Texas.

TDH provides essential assistance to various state agencies as well as local health departments, physicians, hospitals, and health research institutes.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Diagnosis, treatment, and support services for epilepsy, which is a condition marked by disturbed electrical rhythms of the central nervous system. Epilepsy is typically manifested by convulsive attacks.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are delivered through grants to 2 non-profit organizations for demonstration projects. These projects receive funding from other sources as well, and state funding is intended to supplement these resources.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons with a diagnosis of epilepsy.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 2,782 contacts were made with patients

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$250,000

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4477-50, V.A.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The San Antonio Chest Hospital also contracts for special epilepsy services. See Chest Hospitals (TDH).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Community residential living, rehabilitation services, and extended sheltered employment. Wheelchairs and other assistive devices, transportation and medical services may be provided by the Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) to enable clients to remain employed.

DELIVERY METHOD

TRC contracts with non-profit residential rehabilitation facilities such as Goodwill Industries, community mental health and mental retardation centers, Lighthouses for the Blind, and other non-profit organizations. Employment opportunities for clients may be in such fields as manufacturing, highway litter pick-up, construction and grounds maintenance. Individuals are paid for their labor by the contractor at a level commensurate with productivity.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Individuals who are 16 or older and who have a physical or mental disability that constitutes a substantial handicap to employment. The handicap must be severe enough to render the individual incapable of entering the competitive labor market. Clients must be legal residents of the state and must be able to benefit from the provision of Extended Rehabilitation Services (ERS) services. Although there are no income eligibility requirements, clients are evaluated to determine if they are able to pay for all or a portion of the costs of services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 821 (est.)

TRC estimates that services are currently provided to only 1% of those who need them.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$2,379,939 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 111.001 et seq., Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Referrals for services come from public schools and several state agencies (TDMHMR, TDHS, TCB, TCD). The participants in the program may be residents of Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR/TDHS) or clients of the Deaf/Blind Multi-handicapped, Independent Living Centers, and Independent Living Services programs (TRC). TRC also administers the Vocational Rehabilitation Services program which helps less severely disabled persons enter or return to employment.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Extended Rehabilitation Services program was established in 1977 to provide rehabilitation services and employment opportunities to persons who cannot enter the competitive labor market because of their disabilities. This program allows them to achieve maximum personal independence through working and learning daily living skills.

The majority of those served by the program are multi-handicapped and have previously been institutionalized. The average cost per client is only 16% of the cost of institutionalization.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Physical examinations, laboratory tests, counseling and referral, birth control medications and/or supplies, and educational materials.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals may go to health clinics or other family planning providers for services. Currently, TDH contracts with 29 providers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Women of child-bearing age (19-44) with incomes below 250% of federal poverty guidelines (\$22,800 for a family of three); and female teenagers (13-19) regardless of income.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 215,527 (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$8,283,525

Some funds are generated through sliding scale charges to patients and through in-kind contributions to local providers.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-205, V.T.C.S.

Federal: Title X, Public Health Services Act; 42 USC 300

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Family planning services are also provided under the Maternal and Child Health program (TDH); and Family Planning--Title XIX (Medicaid) and Family Planning--Title XX (TDHS). An interagency group has been formed to coordinate services and to focus on teen pregnancy in Texas. See Teen Parent Initiative (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Texas consistently ranks between 1st and 3rd in the nation in the rate of teen pregnancies between the ages of 15 and 19 and in the number of pregnancies under age 14.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Family planning includes medical services and genetic screening to enable eligible persons to voluntarily limit their family size or space their children. Services include: information, referral, counseling, outreach, education, physical examinations, laboratory services, birth control supplies, voluntary sterilization, and genetic diagnosis and counseling.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are purchased from about 4,500 private physicians and approximately 80 other contracted agency providers who participate in the Medicaid program throughout Texas.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

AFDC and SSI recipients who are automatically eligible for Medicaid and therefore are eligible for Title XIX Family Planning. (See Medicaid--Basic Services for specific Medicaid eligibility requirements.)

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 51,020 clients (est.) at an average cost of approximately \$168 per client.

FUNDING

State: 10% (required match)
Federal: 90%

Total FY 86: \$9,142,733 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 32, Human Resources Code
Riders 49 and 52, General Appropriations Act, 69th Texas
Legislature
Federal: Title XIX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Persons whose incomes are too high or whose family composition make them ineligible for Medicaid may be eligible for family planning services under the Family Planning--Title XX program (TDHS), the Family Planning--Title X program (TDH), or the Maternal and Child Health program (TDH). See also Teen Parent Initiative (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Under federal regulations for Title XIX of the Social Security Act, (Medicaid), states which participate in the Medicaid program are required to provide family planning services to eligible clients.

In a 1981 report from the Guttmacher Institute, Texas ranked third in the nation in the rate of teen pregnancies between 15 and 19 and second in the number of pregnancies for ages 14 and younger.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Family planning services include medical and social-educational services to enable eligible persons to voluntarily limit their family size or space their children. Services include outreach; counseling and education; physical examinations; laboratory services; birth control, prescriptions, devices, and supplies; and outreach to adolescents. Voluntary sterilization is offered to adults who are 21 years, of age or older.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are provided through contracts with public and private agencies and clinics located throughout the State. Clients are assessed a co-pay amount limited to 25 percent of the TDHS cost for the service. To improve access to family planning services, THDS waives this co-pay for adolescents.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Texas currently provides Title XX family planning services to persons who are not receiving financial assistance (AFDC or SSI) but whose incomes are at or below 126% of poverty (approximately \$6,750/yr for an individual). Adolescents' eligibility is based on their own income. Services are not denied due to a client's inability to pay. Information and referral services are available without regard to income. AFDC and SSI recipients may receive social-educational services under this program.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 196,016 clients (est.) at an average cost of approximately \$83/client.

FUNDING

State: 6%
Federal: 94% (Title XX Social Services Block Grant)

Total FY 86: \$16,171,329* (est.)

*This figure reflects state and federal funds only. Agencies and clinics receiving contracts must provide a local match not to exceed 25%; the average match is approximately 15%.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 22, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Family Planning-Title XIX (TDHS) for services targeted to AFDC clients; Family Planning-Title X (TDH); and Maternal and Child Health Services (TDH). An interagency council coordinates family planning services in Texas and focuses on the prevention of teenage pregnancies in Texas (see Teen Parent Initiative). The Title XX program focuses particularly on teenagers because of their high risk for out-of-wedlock and unintended pregnancies.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1981, programs funded under Title XX of the Social Security Act were consolidated into the Social Services Block Grant. One of the many services provided in Texas under this block grant is family planning for low-income persons not eligible for Medicaid.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Local, non-profit family violence centers furnish or arrange for: 24-hour shelter; 24-hour telephone crisis hotline; emergency medical care; counseling and psychological services; emergency transportation; legal assistance; educational arrangements for children; information about job training and employment; cooperation with law enforcement services; community education programs; volunteer recruitment and training programs.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are delivered by local family violence shelters across the State. The Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) contracts for services with the individual shelter centers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Victims of family violence, their children, and violent family members without regard to income.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 21,715 resident clients
(est.) 13,752 non-resident clients
15,509 hotline inquiries per month

FUNDING

State: 10%
Federal: 90% (Title XX)

Total FY 86: \$2,498,730* (est.)

*This figure reflects approximately 27% of the total funding for family violence centers. Local resources provide the majority of funding for the centers.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 51, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See also Adult Protective Services and Child Protective Services (THDS).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Registration of Food Stamp recipients for employment services; assistance in finding employment, including in-depth interviews, counseling, testing, and categorizing the recipient into one of three work search areas based on experience and labor market and economic conditions.

DELIVERY METHOD

TEC staff deliver these services in local offices in approximately 28 counties through a contract with the Texas Department of Human Services. Food Stamp recipients living in counties not served by this program may use the standard Employment Services offered by TEC in 125 local offices across the State.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Unemployed recipients of Food Stamps. Must meet eligibility requirements for Food Stamps (TDHS).

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 48,996 applicants (est.); 15% entered employment

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$1,403,998 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5221b, VACS

Federal: Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see Food Stamps and Employment Services (TDHS) and Employment Services (TEC).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Numbers and funding for this program may also be reflected in the figures shown under Employment Services (TDHS).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Clients receive coupons that may be used in grocery stores to purchase food. The dollar amount of the coupons received varies depending upon family size, household income, and other factors.

DELIVERY METHOD

Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) staff determine eligibility for Food Stamps in local offices throughout the State. Certified households receive their Food Stamps either directly through the mail or through receipt of cards that can be redeemed for Food Stamps at post offices or participating bondable security agencies.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility requirements are established by federal regulations. Persons must have an income below 130% of poverty. There are also resource and asset tests to determine eligibility.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,304,677 (est.)

FUNDING

Benefits	- Federal:	100%
	Total FY 86:	\$758,000,000 (est.)
Administration	- State:	50% (required match)
	Federal:	50%
	Total FY 86:	\$8,443,913 (est.)

The food coupons are 100% federally-funded. Funding for administration of the program is shared equally by the state and federal governments.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapters 22, 31, and 33, Human Resources Code
Federal: Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

All Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients are eligible for Food Stamps, although they may not all receive them. See also Emergency Nutrition/Temporary Emergency Relief Services and Commodities--Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

A statewide toll free number (1-800-252-9330) is operational Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. for information about the Food Stamp program.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Services are designed to reduce the incidence of inherited disorders, while providing diagnostic/risk counseling to those who may have an inherited disorder.

Clinical service units provide comprehensive genetic screening and counseling services. Laboratory units support the diagnostic work of the medical geneticists by performing biochemical and cytogenetic studies. The education department provides consultation and assistance for the scheduling, coordination, and evaluation of all educational activities.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive services in 23 regional clinics staffed by TDMHMR clinic coordinators. The coordinators develop medical histories and pedigrees. Physician geneticists and nurses travel to the regional clinics to conduct examinations and collect specimens. Clinic staff visit state schools and hospitals to conduct client screening at the request of TDMHMR social workers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Any Texas family with inherited, mental disorders and families at risk.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 5,550 clients served (est.)

FUNDING

State: 92%
Other: 8% (7% Interagency Contracts)

Total FY 86: \$2,214,428 (est.)

Fees are charged on a sliding scale based on federal poverty guidelines.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-201 et seq., VACS

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

TDMHMR works with other providers of genetic screening services in Texas universities and the Texas Department of Health.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Exemplary programs are developed which enhance the programs offered to Gifted and Talented (G/T) students in various areas of the state. Also provides statewide staff development on G/T curriculum. The number of students that can be served is determined by the State appropriation.

DELIVERY METHOD

School districts submit applications to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for funding of programs which serve a minimum of 20 G/T students. Funds are allocated to School Districts on a formula basis based on the average G/T enrollment (not to exceed 5% of the district's total enrollment).

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Student must be determined to be a gifted and talented student by school district instructors. These students must show above average potential in either general intellectual ability, specific subject matter aptitude, creative/productive thinking ability, or leadership ability.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 27,081 students in 240 school districts (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$4,853,600 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Texas Education Agency, Chapter 75, Section 16.501 and 16.502

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

These programs are supplemental to the regular programs offered in school districts.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

State funding for G/T students was authorized in 1979. The approximate allocation per student is \$150 per year. In the 1983-84 school year, 260 school districts received some support in serving 26,861 students. Ninety-two districts administered their own programs while 168 districts were members of Cooperatives.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides health improvement, educational, nutritional, social and other services to eligible children. Classes are held during the regular school year to prepare underprivileged children for first grade.

DELIVERY METHOD

Federal grants are made to community action agencies, local school districts, governments, Indian tribes or private nonprofit agencies that apply and qualify to participate.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Full-year Head Start programs are primarily for children age 3 up to the age when the child enters the school system; younger children may sometimes be included.

At least 90 percent of the children in a program must be from families with incomes below federal poverty guidelines (\$9,120/yr. family of three). No less than 10 percent of the total enrollment opportunities in Head Start programs in each state must be available for handicapped children.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 22,387 children in Texas (64 programs)
FY 85: Approximately 450,000 nationwide

FUNDING

Federal: 80%
Local: 20% (required match; may be in-kind)
Total FY 86: \$5.02 million in Texas
\$1.04 billion in U.S.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Head Start Act of 1964, as amended.
Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981, Public Law 97-35

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Nutrition services are provided through the Child Care Food Program (TDHS). See also Nutrition Education and Training (TDHS) Pre-Kindergarten (TEA).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Texas School for the Blind (TSB) students receive on-site, referral, clinic and emergency medical care for acute or chronic medical illness during the regular school year and summer school.

DELIVERY METHOD

On campus there are: 1) a daily medical clinic staffed by a school contract physician; 2) a bi-monthly psychiatric clinic staffed by a contract psychiatrist; 3) a weekly dental clinic with follow-up dental care by a contract dentist; 4) a low-vision weekly clinic; and 5) an ophthalmology consulting service. Nursing services are provided 7 days a week, 24 hours a day by licensed nurses. There are 14 available beds for ill students. Medications and treatments are dispensed and recorded and lab procedures are done as ordered by a physician. Off-campus referrals are handled through health services to coordinate transportation, guides and medical records that accompany students. Medical counseling, screening and immunizations are provided when necessary for students. Professional staff are available to deal with emergencies until the arrival of Emergency Medical Services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students are accepted to the TSB after the Admission, Review, and Dismissal Committees (ARD) in the students' home school districts determine that their educational needs cannot be met.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 2,508 student visits (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 85: \$239,126 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.06 et. seq., Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Approximately 47% of the TSB enrollment (200 students) are eligible to receive Medicaid benefits for medical services offered outside of the school.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Services, such as immunizations and laboratory work, are paid for by the parent or guardian whenever possible.

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of TSB from the State Board of Education. TSB is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment from their home school districts for each student that is enrolled in TSB. This has had the effect of decreasing the number of referrals to TSB from local school districts.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29, the board organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSB must comply with the rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual costs per student varies by program, with the highest costs associated with the multi-handicapped students, whose population has been steadily increasing.

Information Hotline: 1-800-TSB-KARE

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The objectives of the program are: 1) to provide quality health care and medical management to all students; 2) to assist physician consultants in treating students; 3) to maintain complete medical records on all students; 4) to manage medical services and special aids to students; 5) to provide acute and emergency care; and 6) to provide health education.

DELIVERY METHOD

All medically related routine services for Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) students are provided through Health Services on-campus in Austin. Additional medical services are required as the multi-handicapped student enrollment increases. Full-time nursing care is provided 24-hours a day. Medical specialists are available for special clinics that provide special aid devices, pediatric, ophthalmological, dental and psychiatric diagnostic services. Medical records are maintained and appropriate medical-related precautions for individual students are communicated to school staff. Health Services staff make sure that student medications are secured, managed, administered and monitored.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Must be enrolled in the TSD. Students must be hearing impaired and referred by their home school districts through the Admission Review and Dismissal process or by their parents under State Law (S.B. 809).

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 511 students

FUNDING

State:	97%
Independent School Districts:	3%
Total FY 85:	\$350,778 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.03, Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see other TSD programs.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of TSD from the State Board of Education. TSD is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment, for each student that is enrolled in TSD, from their home school districts.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29, the board organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSD must comply with all rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual cost per student varies with each program, with the highest costs associated with the multi-handicapped students whose population has been steadily increasing.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o Comprehensive and categorical services such as immunizations, screening, diagnosis, and treatment;
- o Environmental and consumer health services such as inspections of motels, restaurants, swimming pools and other public facilities;
- o Laboratory services;
- o Health education;
- o Administrative support to public health providers;
- o Staff support to local health departments upon request for developing and planning programs and special health projects;
- o Volunteers recruitment and training.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDH currently has ten public health regions across the state to provide direct health care and other public health services in the 180 Texas counties not served by local health departments. The public health regional offices are located in: Canyon, Lubbock, El Paso, Abilene, Arlington, Temple, Tyler, Harlingen, Uvalde, and Rosenberg.

Each region has a core staff consisting of physicians, nurses, dentists, engineers, health educators, sanitarians, and administrators. Clinic services are delivered in both mobile and permanent facilities. Volunteers assist clinic personnel (182,404 volunteers contributed 697,870 hours of service in FY 86).

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons with incomes below 200% of federal poverty guidelines are eligible for health care services (approximately \$18,240/year for a family of three). A sliding fee scale is used for persons with incomes between 100% and 200% of the federal poverty level, but no fee is charged to those with incomes below 100% (approximately \$9,120/year for a family of three).

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 122,432 clinic visits (est.)
5,244 home visits (est.)
308,678 screening tests (est.)

FUNDING

State: 99.7%
Federal: .3%

Total FY 86: \$7,968,326 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 4414c and 4418h, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Community Health Services, Immunizations, Environmental Health, and Laboratories (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The 10 Public Health Regions also coordinate health service delivery among communities to help ensure that services are not duplicative.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Assistance in paying the costs of blood, blood derivatives, or medications; maintenance of a registry of hemophiliacs in Texas.

DELIVERY METHOD

Reimbursement is made to approved providers only if services are not covered by any other resource.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Hemophiliacs aged 21 and over (those under 21 receive services under the Crippled Children's Services program), who are legal residents of Texas, and who are unable pay the entire costs of services required to control the condition.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 31 persons at an average annual cost of \$5,689/person (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$193,421 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4477-30, V.A.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Crippled Children's Services (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Hemophilia is a genetic condition characterized by deficient blood clotting in males. This can result in uncontrolled internal bleeding. Since 1967, the Hemophilia Assistance Program has provided assistance to hemophiliacs with the costs of blood, blood derivatives, and pharmaceuticals.

HEPATITIS B SCREENING AND VACCINATION
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Identifies and immunizes clients and employees of TDMHMR who have, or are at increased risk of contracting, Hepatitis B or other significant communicable diseases. Provides blood screening of clients and employees who are determined to be at risk. Vaccinations, including booster doses, are given to susceptible individuals.

DELIVERY METHOD

This service is provided by the medical staff in each of the TDMHMR facilities across the State.

The program is administered and monitored by the Special Assistant for Medical Services for TDMHMR.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Clients and employees of TDMHMR.

NUMBER SERVED

	Screening	Vaccination
FY 86: Clients	824	742
FY 86: Employees	3,569	3,213

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$ 371,971

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-201, et seq., VACS

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Hepatitis B screening and vaccinations for the general public may be available through local health clinics (see Health Services--Public Health Regions, Community Health Services--Local Health Departments, and Immunizations/TDH.) See also Community Health Centers.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Immunizations for preventable diseases such as polio, mumps, measles, rubella, tetanus, diphtheria, pertusis and rabies; monitoring compliance with the Texas Immunization Law; outbreak control activities related to epidemics; public education; and assessment of immunization status of children and students enrolled in child-care facilities and public and private schools.

DELIVERY METHOD

Vaccines are administered by local health departments, TDH-operated public health clinics, and other non-profit agencies or organizations using state-supplied vaccines.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

There are no age or income requirements for immunizations. State law requires that children receive immunization for diphtheria, pertusis, tetanus (DPT), rubella, polio, and smallpox prior to entrance into public schools.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 3,585,101 antigens administered (est.)

FUNDING

State: 99.1%
Federal: .9%

Total FY 86: \$5,789,716 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 2.09 and 2.09a, Texas Education Code
Chapter 42, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Maternal and Child Health Services, Public Health Services, Primary Health Care and Epidemiology (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Immunization Division of the Texas Department of Health was created in 1968. When the Department's immunization efforts began, there were 20,790 children infected with vaccine-preventable diseases and 44 children died as a result. In 1983, fifteen years later, there were 482 infected children, and only two deaths resulting from vaccine-preventable diseases.

Statewide Toll Free Number: 1-800-252-9125

INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTERS
Texas Rehabilitation Commission

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Independent Living Centers are non-residential service centers which help persons with disabilities determine what services are available in their communities and how to obtain them. Clients may receive assistance in obtaining attendant care, housing, and transportation; referral to community resources; advocacy regarding legal rights and benefits; counseling and training in independent living skills; individual and group social and recreational activities; coordination of interpreter services for deaf or deaf-blind clients; and peer counseling.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive assistance through the 5 Independent Living Centers located in Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, and San Antonio. The 5 centers provide services directly, make referrals to other agencies, and coordinate services with other providers. Most of the employees of the centers are disabled persons. The Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) provides funding for the non-profit centers through contracts.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Services are designed for individuals with severe disabilities. There are no age or income requirements. The primary criterion for receiving services is that the individual believes the disability is interfering with his or her ability to live independently.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 2,407 clients (est.)

FUNDING

State: 34%
Federal: 66%

Total FY 86: \$1,213,050 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 111.001 et seq., Human Resources Code
Federal: 29 USC 701 et seq., 29 USC 796 et seq.;
Rehabilitation Act of 1973

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Independent Living Centers may refer their clients to a wide range of programs including Vocational Rehabilitation, Extended Rehabilitation, and Independent Living Services (TRC); and Client Managed Attendant Care, In-Home Services, Out-of-Home Services, Adult Protective Services, and Long Term Institutional Care (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Since 1980, Texas has received federal funds to establish and operate independent living centers which help persons with severe disabilities learn independent living skills. The centers provide only those services not available elsewhere in the community and serve as a primary information source on where and how to access services.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides services which are not available through Independent Living Centers but are essential to the individual's ability to live more independently. Services include adaptive equipment such as wheelchairs; environmental control systems such as devices which enable the client to control air conditioning, heating, computers, and lights using their mouths, for example; communication aids, modification of vehicles, and sponsorship of medical rehabilitation services.

DELIVERY METHOD

Clients are typically referred to the Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) by the Independent Living Centers. Individuals are assessed by TRC counselors who have specialized training and an appropriate program of services is developed. Equipment is purchased by TRC and delivered directly to the client.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Individuals must have: 1) a severe physical or mental disability which interferes with his/her ability to function independently, and 2) a reasonable expectation that services will substantially improve the individual's ability to function independently. Economic need is determined by TRC, based on several criteria including assets, income, and cost-of-living expenses. Additionally, clients must not be eligible for services under TRC's Vocational Rehabilitation program.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 478 persons (est.)

FUNDING

State: 82%
Federal: 18%

Total FY 86: \$911,133 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 111.001 et seq., Human Resources Code
Federal: 29 USC 701 et seq.; 29 USC 796 et seq.;
Rehabilitation Act of 1973

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS SERVICES

Individuals who are eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation or Extended Rehabilitation Services (TRC) are ineligible for this program since the same services can be provided by those programs. Clients of Independent Living Services (ILS) are typically referred by Independent Living Centers. Because of funding limitations, referrals to ILS are restricted to the geographic areas served by the Centers.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Independent Living Services were established in 1983 to augment the services of the Independent Living Centers. State funds were used to establish the program, although limited federal funds have been available since FY 85. A set amount of federal funds are available to Texas for this program in the form of a grant. To receive the grant, TRC must make application to the federal government and provide a 10% state match. Last year, the ceiling on the grant was \$160,000.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL FOR THE DEAF (I/R)

Local Contract Services
Texas Commission for the Deaf

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides essential information and referral services to persons who are deaf and hearing impaired, their families, and other interested persons, agencies and organizations; also provides technical and consultative services statewide to those who desire to establish a program to assist individuals in locating and obtaining needed information and services.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Commission's services are offered on a contract basis through 16 Councils on Deafness located throughout the State. I/R is provided by these community-based organizations which are reimbursed according to a state established and approved rate schedule. Requests often deal with deafness, hearing impairment, education, employment, deafness prevention, prosthetics, assistive hardware and software, current technology, etc. Actual services are provided through office visits, telephone requests, mail requests, public presentations and forums.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

None.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 8,000 I/R contacts (est.)

FUNDING

State: 86%
Other: 14%

Total FY 86: \$7,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 81, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See all other TCD pages.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Deaf was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 by the 66th Legislature. On behalf of deaf Texans, the agency works toward several objectives: 1) to implement a statewide advocacy and education program; 2) to provide direct services to the deaf and hearing impaired; and 3) to establish coordination of services offered to the deaf and hearing impaired at the agency level.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Community Care for Aged and Disabled Persons includes a range of in-home and out-of-home services for persons who have medical or functional impairments but who do not require or desire more costly nursing home care.

- o Family care services include assistance with personal care activities such as bathing and grooming, housekeeping tasks, meal preparation and escort services. Individuals receive up to 20 hours/week based on a needs assessment performed by the agency. Services are provided through contracts with licensed home health agencies. (Title XX)
- o Primary home care services are non-technical medical services supervised by a nurse and prescribed by a physician for Medicaid recipients whose chronic health problems impede daily living activities. Up to 30 hours/week are allowed based on a needs assessment performed by the agency. Services are provided through contracts with licensed home health agencies. (Title XIX)
- o Home delivered meals and congregate meals include the provision of hot, nutritious meals delivered to the client's home or provided in a central location to several persons. TDHS contracts with community based meals providers and the Texas Department on Aging. (Title XX)
- o Emergency response services provide equipment connected to the client's telephone which transmits an alarm to a community response center when the client has an emergency. This equipment provides 24-hour monitoring and timely response to emergencies for functionally impaired persons living alone.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals can apply for this service at local TDHS offices across the State. Eligibility determination and case management is performed by TDHS staff. Services are provided through contracts with public and private providers in the community.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Aged individuals and disabled persons age 18 or over who meet the income and resource requirements for Title XIX or Title XX services and who qualify for services based on a medical or functional needs assessment.

Income eligibility for Title XIX is \$336/month (plus a \$20 disregard) and \$1,700 in countable resources, or approximately 80% of poverty. Income eligibility for Title XX is \$670.20/month and \$5,000 in countable resources, or approximately 150% of poverty.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 50,190 average number of clients/month (est.)

FUNDING

State: 37% (est.)
Federal: 63% (est.)

Total FY 86: \$141,879,474

Federal funding sources for these services include Title XIX (Medicaid) and Title XX (Social Services Block Grant). Services provided under Title XIX eligibility require a 46% state and 54% federal match. There is no match required for the Title XX Social Services Block Grant.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapters 22, 31, and 32, Human Resources Code
Federal: Titles XIX and XX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Home-delivered and congregate meals and other support services similar to In-Home Services are provided under Local Services (TDoA). TDHS also provides services to aged and disabled persons under Out-of-Home Services, Supervised Living, Adult Protective Services, Medicaid, and Long Term Institutional Care programs. Some disabled adults may be eligible to receive Client Managed Attendant Care (TDHS), Vocational Rehabilitation, Extended Rehabilitation, or Independent Living Services (TRC). For more information regarding licensing of agencies providing family care and primary home care, see Licensing and Certification and Long Term Care (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Texas began providing community-based alternatives to older and disabled persons in 1974 in an effort to prevent or delay institutionalization, to remedy abuse and/or neglect, and to provide more appropriate and cost-effective services.

TDHS estimates that 2,603 aged and disabled persons per month receive meals in their homes or in congregate settings under the In-Home Services program. TDHS also contracts with the Texas Department on Aging to provide additional home-delivered meals to elderly shut-ins as required under Rider 60 of H.B. 20 (Acts of the 69th Texas Legislature). TDoA estimates that 606,796 meals will be delivered under this contract in FY 86 for \$1,250,000. This interagency contract will be renewed in FY 87 for the same amount.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Assessment of psychological, educational and medical needs; supervised, 24-hour residential care; individual and group counseling; and educational, vocational, recreational, and medical services.

DELIVERY METHOD

Upon commitment by the courts, youth are transported to the agency's Statewide Reception Center in Brownwood for an assessment of the child's needs and to determine security requirements. (Youth in South Texas currently are being evaluated by a local diagnostic team as a pilot project rather than transporting them to Brownwood.)

Institutional services are provided at six Texas Youth Commission (TYC) operated campuses in Giddings, Pyote, Crockett, Gainesville, Brownwood, and Corsicana. The Corsicana facility provides specialized treatment for emotionally disturbed, behaviorally disturbed, and learning-disabled youth. Each institution has its own accredited school. Youth live in dormitories and receive medical care in an on-campus infirmary. Hospitalization and specialty emergency medical care is purchased from local providers. Students work as volunteers in the community and local residents are recruited to work as volunteers at the training schools and treatment centers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Youth between 10 and 17 who are committed to TYC by the courts for engaging in delinquent conduct prior to the youth's 17th birthday. TYC jurisdiction usually continues until age 18 but can continue until age 21 if circumstances warrant.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,276 average daily population

FUNDING

State: 90.7%
Federal: 6.6% (From several federal education and nutrition programs)
Other: 2.7% (Local Independent School Districts contracts)

Total FY 86: \$32,455,209 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 61, Human Resources Code
Titles 2 and 3, Texas Family Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Following completion of the institutional program, youth are placed in a TYC-operated halfway house, in a private community facility, or on parole (See Community Services/TYC). Several state agencies contract with private providers for residential care for children under their auspices. These services, referred to as Residential Contract Care, are provided through the following programs: Community Services (TYC); State Aid to Counties (TJPC); Mental Health--Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR); Child Protective Services (TDHS); and Education of the Handicapped-Part B and Special Education Program (TEA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The TYC is responsible for the care, custody and control of youth who have been committed by the courts for engaging in delinquent conduct. If the youth has committed a serious offense and/or requires the supervision and structure of a secure facility, he or she is placed in a training school or treatment center operated under the Institutional Services program. Training school placement is made when a youth is considered a high risk for runaway or commission of another delinquency offense.

INSTITUTIONAL TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION
Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Counseling for patients of TDMHMR State Hospitals and TDH Chest Hospitals and their families concerning alcohol and drug abuse; and staff training for substance abuse counselors.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA) provides funding for alcoholism counselors to supplement state hospital and chest hospital staffing.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Evidence of substance abuse and admission to a TDMHMR hospital or a TDH chest hospital.

NUMBER SERVED

FY86: 3,695 TDMHMR clients
686 TDH clients

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$507,307* (est.)

*TDMHMR portion: \$462,315; TDH portion: \$44,992

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5561C-2, VACS

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Mental Health Campus-bases Services--State Hospitals (TDMHMR) and Chest Hospitals (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Each of the state hospitals operated by TDMHMR has a special unit for substance abusers.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

This project is intended to save the state money by coordinating and integrating eligibility determination for indigent health care programs offered by the Texas Department of Health (TDH) and the Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS). TDHS and TDH have developed eligibility applications and procedures which will integrate eligibility determination for all state and federal indigent health care programs.

DELIVERY METHOD

Applications and procedures developed by TDH and TDHS staff will be used by public health clinics, counties and some private health care providers in order to determine client eligibility for state and federal programs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Integrated Eligibility Determination involves administrative changes rather than direct delivery of services. Therefore, eligibility requirements are not applicable.

NUMBER SERVED

This is not a direct service. The number of clients affected by integrated eligibility determination will ultimately include all those served by state and federal indigent health care programs.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$107,795 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4438F, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes;
Chapter 14, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For programs included in this project see: Primary Care Services, Maternal and Infant Health Improvement Services (TDH), and Disproportionate Share Hospital Reimbursement, and County Indigent Health Care (TDHS). Integrated Eligibility Determination will also help to detect eligible Medicaid recipients. See Medicaid--Basic Services (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Integrated Eligibility Determination was created as part of the Indigent Health Care package passed by the 69th Legislature in 1985.

INTERPRETER FOR THE DEAF CERTIFICATION
Interpreter Registry and Development
Texas Commission for the Deaf

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

A state-administered evaluation system designed to certify deaf interpreters based on their level of skills. Interpreters are evaluated by a written test, expressive skills test and receptive skills test. Interpreters passing these exams can be certified at one of five appropriate levels.

DELIVERY METHOD

Evaluations are provided three times a year in Austin for 140 persons each. Each evaluation session takes one week to complete.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All persons seeking certification as an Interpreter level I - V from the Texas Commission for the Deaf.

NUMBER SERVED

In three evaluations for FY 87, it is expected that 325 interpreters will be tested.

FUNDING

State: 24.6%
Other Funds: 75.4% (program generated fees)

Total FY 86: \$9,926 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 81, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see Interpreter Registry, Interpreter Training and Interpreter Services for the Texas Commission for the Deaf.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Deaf was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 by the 66th Legislature. On behalf of deaf Texans, the agency works toward several objectives: 1) to implement a statewide advocacy and education program; 2) to provide direct services to the deaf and hearing impaired;

and, 3) to establish coordination of services offered to the deaf and hearing impaired at the agency level. The Commission's services are offered on a contract basis through 16 Councils on Deafness located throughout the State.

INTERPRETER FOR THE DEAF REGISTRY
Interpreter Registry and Development
Texas Commission for the Deaf

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Directories with information to assist deaf and hearing persons in their search for interpreter services are developed and distributed annually.

DELIVERY METHOD

Various agencies and organizations are surveyed by Commission staff to compile statistical information necessary for determining fee schedules for payment of interpreters. Active interpreters are then listed in the directory according to their level of certification. The directory includes a list of non-certified interpreters. The document is distributed to public entities such as state agencies, hospitals, courts, and judges as well as deaf Texans.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

None.

NUMBER SERVED

6,000 copies of Sign Language and Oral Interpreters directories were published in FY 86. Another directory of services for the Deaf will be published in FY 87.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$4,859 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 81, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Interpreter Training, Interpreter Certification and Interpreter Services (TCD).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Deaf was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 by the 66th Legislature. On behalf of deaf Texans, the agency works toward several objectives: 1) to implement a statewide advocacy and education

program; 2) to provide direct services to the deaf and hearing impaired; and 3) to establish coordination of services offered to the deaf and hearing impaired at the agency level. Many of the Commission's services are offered on a contract basis through 16 Councils on Deafness located throughout the State.

INTERPRETER FOR THE DEAF TRAINING
Interpreter Registry and Development
Texas Commission for the Deaf

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides training to improve and enhance the skills of interpreters for persons who are deaf and hearing impaired in Texas.

DELIVERY METHOD

TCD contracts for training in various areas of the State. The Commission offers: workshops in beginning and advanced sign language and/or oral interpreting; certification preparation workshops; training classes for deaf and hearing-impaired consumers in communications skills; telecommunication devices for the deaf, and use of interpreters; and, technical assistance, advocacy and support for the implementation of interpreter training programs in institutions of higher education with the assistance of the Coordinating Board of Colleges and Universities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Any person seeking certification as a sign-language interpreter for deaf and hearing impaired consumers.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 87: Seven interpreter training workshops and two Communication Skills Development Workshops are planned.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$23,690 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 81, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see Interpreter Certification, Interpreter Registry and Interpreter Services (TCD).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Deaf was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 by the 66th Legislature. On behalf of deaf Texans, the agency works toward several objectives: 1) to implement a statewide advocacy and education program; 2) to provide direct services to the deaf and hearing impaired; and 3) to establish coordination of services offered to the deaf and hearing impaired at the agency level. Many of the Commission's services are offered on a contract basis through 16 Councils on Deafness located throughout the State.

INTERPRETER SERVICES FOR THE DEAF

Local Contract Services
Texas Commission for the Deaf

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides interpreters for individuals who are deaf and hearing impaired when involved in medical, legal, governmental and economic situations.

DELIVERY METHODS

Provided through 16 Community-based Councils on Deafness. Payment for interpreters is reimbursed monthly by the Texas Commission for the Deaf (TCD) on an hourly basis for services provided. The rate of payment is determined by the Commission-adopted fee schedule for interpreters.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons must be hearing impaired or require the use of interpreters for the benefit of hearing impaired persons.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 85: 13,686 hours of interpreter services

FUNDING

State: 91%
Inter-agency
contracts: 9%

Total FY 86: \$168,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 81, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Interpreter for the Deaf Training, Interpreter for the Deaf Registry and Interpreter for the Deaf Certification (TCD).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Deaf was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 by the 66th Legislature. On behalf of deaf Texans, the agency works toward several objectives: 1) to implement a statewide advocacy and education program; 2) to provide direct services to the deaf and hearing impaired; and, 3) to establish coordination of services offered to the deaf and hearing impaired at the agency level. The Commission's services are offered on a contract basis through 16 Councils on Deafness located throughout the State.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The purpose of the program is to provide intervention services for persons who are in the early stages of abuse or addiction and those who are at high risk of using substances illegally. Services include:

- o Identification, assessment, referral, pre-treatment counseling and educational activities for adult and juvenile substance abusers;
- o Intensive intervention education services for family members to help with recovery;
- o Statewide training for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) Education Program administrators and instructors;
- o Certification of DWI Education Programs;
- o Intervention services for teenagers with drug and alcohol problems; and
- o Assistance in establishing employee, peer and student assistance programs in the public and private sector.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals can get assistance through a number of providers across the state. Case finding, assessment, referral and education services are provided through the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA) grants and contracts with non-profit and public agencies such as city and county governments, community mental health centers and clinics, hospitals, Indian reservations, courts, probation departments and medical schools. Referrals are also made to groups such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon, Alateen, and Narcotics Anonymous.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

No income eligibility requirements. For case finding assessment, referral and education services offered by grantees/contractors, the only requirement is the need for such services. To participate in a certified D.W.I. education program, one must first be convicted of a misdemeanor D.W.I. and court ordered to attend such a program.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 171,353 DWI offenders received DWI education
(actual) 13,477 problem drinkers referred through case finding/family
intervention
412 persons in workforce received employee assistance
services

FUNDING

State: 2.8%
Federal: 97.2% (Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Block Grant)

Total FY 86: \$1,555,196 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5561C-2 VACS;
Article 42.12, Section 6d, Code of Criminal Procedure
Federal: 42 USC 300X

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

TCADA has interagency agreements to provide education and training services and to share data with local probation departments, police and sheriffs departments, the State Board of Pardons and Paroles, and the Texas Adult Probation Commission. See also: Primary Prevention, Drug Abuse, Institutional Treatment and Rehabilitation, and Community-Based Treatment and Rehabilitation (TCADA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION:

TCADA estimates that there are 728,891 Texas households with problem drinkers and 687,246 problem drinkers in the workforce.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Job Corps is a residential training program which provides basic education, skill training, and work experience. The Texas Employment Commission (TEC) recruits, screens, and refers applicants and provides job placement and related services to Job Corps returnees.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals can find out about this program through the local TEC office or through referrals from school personnel and social workers. TEC staff provide these services directly through 125 local offices.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Youth aged 16 to 21 who are economically disadvantaged, out of school, unemployed or underemployed, with no job skills, physically and mentally capable of being trained, and with no severe behavioral problems.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 4,224 youth were referred to Job Corps centers (est.)
(est.) 2,534 youth were later employed

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$1,061,726 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 72.001 et seq., Human Resources Code
Federal: 29 USC 1501 et seq.; Job Training Partnership Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See also: Adult Education (TEC) and Job Training and Partnership Act (TEC and TEA), Employment and Training Services (TDCA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

TEC provides two kinds of assistance to unemployed persons--assistance in finding employment and financial assistance.

JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT (JTPA)
Employment and Training Services
Texas Department of Community Affairs

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

TDCA monitors the provision of services to clients and assists in developing statewide plans for job training and employment.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDCA contracts with job training and employment provides for the direct provision of services to clients.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Participants must (a) have an income less than or equal to federal poverty guidelines (no more than \$9120 per year for a family of 3); or (b) have received a notice of layoff; or (c) be between 14 and 21 years old (the last requirement pertains only to Summer Youth Activities).

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 78,700 (est.)
22,300 entered employment through the program.

FUNDING

Federal: 100% (No more than 15% of the funds can be used for program administration.)

Total FY 86: \$135,950,158 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 72.001 et. seq., Human Resources Code
Article 4413 (20I), VACS
Federal: 29 USC 801 et. seq.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Job Training Partnership Act (TEC) and Job Training Partnership Act (TEA). There is also a setaside for AFDC recipients (see Aid to Families with Dependent Children (TDHS) and Employment Services (TDHS)).

JTPA is the only program of its kind. It is administered through the cooperative efforts of several state agencies, DHS, TDCA and TEC, all of whom participate in the State Job Training Coordinating Council along with representatives from private industry, organized labor, community organizations and local government.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Federally established in 1983 to replace the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA). Designed to increase the involvement of private industry in employment, training and placement.

JTPA is designed specifically for youths, unskilled adults and economically disadvantaged individuals who face serious barriers to employment.

The toll free number for information on TCDA programs is: 1-800-252-9642.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Apprenticeship programs offer vocational education skill training services, job counseling, remedial education and basic skills training, vocational exploration, upgrading and retraining, and other needed support services.

DELIVERY METHOD

Funds are allocated by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) on a contract basis to individual local programs, based on the scope and nature of the project. Projects are proposed and conducted by public school districts.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

JTPA is designed to assist youth, unskilled adults and economically disadvantaged individuals who face serious barriers to employment as outlined by State Board of Education Rules.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 5,289 students (est.) were served through the program.

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$1,090,422 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Human Resources Code, Chapter 72

Federal: Public Law 97-300, Section 123

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

JTPA funds are administered by the Department of Community Affairs for cooperative use by the Texas Department of Human Services, the Texas Employment Commission and the Texas Education Agency. Please see JTPA (TDCA). State correctional institutions are primary users of these funds.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

JTPA is federally administered by the Employment and Training Administration, the U.S. Department of Labor. The JTPA went into effect on October 1, 1983 replacing the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act

(CETA). In addition to the training program for adults, which existed under CETA, JTPA had also authorized an additional program for youth training.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Job-related outreach, eligibility determination, needs assessment, counseling, occupational training, on-the-job training, intensive job placement; and payments to participants who are in work experience or classroom training.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals can find out about JTPA by calling the local Texas Employment Commission (TEC) office. TEC refers potential JTPA applicants to service delivery area providers. In some service delivery areas, TEC is under contract to perform one or more of the services. Services are directly provided by local agencies and businesses which contract with TEC.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Participants in JTPA programs must be economically disadvantaged or laid off from employment with no prospects for reemployment in the same industry or occupation.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 22 Service Delivery Areas

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$7,564,215 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 72.001 et. seq., Human Resources Code
Article 4413 (201), VACS

Federal: 29 USC 1501 et. seq.; Job Training Partnership Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

TEC coordinates its JTPA program with the Texas Department of Community Affairs (TDCA) which is the administrative entity for JTPA in Texas. Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) programs also serve JTPA-eligible participants, and an interagency workgroup comprised of TDCA, TDHS, and TEC staff is instrumental in coordinating activities and resources.

Also see: Employment and Training Services (TDCA), and Employment Services (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

This program was established in 1983 to replace the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA). It is designed to increase the involvement of private industry in employment and training and to focus program control at the local level.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Support services include technical assistance, advice, research and information, and advocacy and facilitator services. Health and social services are also provided. Services are designed to help the Band attain self-sufficiency.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are provided in working consultation with tribal leaders and various local, state, and federal agencies. Federal funding is delivered through the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Membership in the Texas Kickapoo Band.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 618

FUNDING

There are no state funds appropriated specifically for the Kickapoo Reservation. Administrative assistance is provided by the Administration Division of the Texas Indian Commission (TIC), which is entirely state funded. Total FY 86 funding for this division was \$109,309.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5421Z, VACS
Federal: Public Law 97-429

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The reservation participates in federally sponsored economic assistance programs such as the Community Development Block Grant Program, the Community Service Block Grant Program and the Educational Development Act. Individuals living on the reservation may also receive services through other programs, such as Medicaid or Food Stamps, if they meet the eligibility requirements.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1985, the state legislature mandated that the TIC assist the Texas Band of Kickapoo in improving its health and educational status and its agricultural and business capacities. Texas Band of Kickapoo is located on a 127 acre reservation approximately 15 miles south of Eagle Pass. The reservation is a federal trust reservation and the Band is a federally recognized Indian tribe.

The median income for Indians residing on the reservation is about \$1,350 per year; 73.1% of all persons on the reservation are at or below federal poverty level. The reservation has an average annual unemployment rate of 46%. Ninety-six percent are without high school education, and at least 300 have no schooling at all.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

End-stage renal disease is the end-stage of kidney failure which requires ongoing dialysis or transplant to maintain life. This program provides assistance in paying for drugs, hospitalization, medical services and supplies, and transportation and lodging.

DELIVERY METHOD

Clients are reimbursed directly for drugs and travel; reimbursement is made to the provider for medical services and supplies. Approximately 102 facilities across the state have been approved by TDH as providers under the Kidney Health Program.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

An individual must be certified by a Texas-licensed nephrologist as being in the end-stage of kidney failure, must be a Texas resident, and must apply for and be approved by the program for benefits. Does not pay for benefits which are covered by another source such as Medicare, Medicaid, or private insurance.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 6,295 individuals received benefits (est.) The average benefit was \$1,209 per person annually (FY 86 est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$9,560,901

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 477-20, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Medicare and/or Medicaid benefits are available to most ESRD clients. The Kidney Health Program can supplement these benefits but cannot pay for services which are covered under either of these programs.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1973, the 63rd Texas Legislature passed the Kidney Health Care Act to assist persons with the cost of treatment for ERSD. Kidney Health Program benefits are provided primarily during the pre-Medicare waiting period, whereas drug and transportation benefits are provided on an on-going basis. Cyclosporin A, an immunosuppressant for transplant recipients is an additional long-term KHP benefit. KHP clients who are not eligible for Medicare, Medicaid, or other medical services coverage are provided medical services benefits under this program.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o Laboratory examination and analysis of samples submitted for testing;
- o Approving laboratories which perform prenatal and perinatal syphilis serology;
- o Screening tests on newborn infants for phenylketonuria, hypothyroidism, and certain other diseases;
- o Potable water testing;
- o Screening for toxic chemical identification; rabies diagnosis, blood typing, diabetes screening, and bacteriology, serology, parasitology, entomology, mycology, virology, and medical status;
- o Assisting local public health department laboratories by providing equipment, re-agents, and supplies and consulting with and training laboratorians from all types of agencies and institutions in Texas.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDH program staff, other state agencies, and individuals submit samples for analysis. The laboratory tests are performed directly by this division.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Laboratory services are primarily for other programs in TDH, but may be used by local health departments, independent laboratories, or private physicians if resources and time permit. Fees are charged for services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 2,236,500 units of service (est.)

FUNDING

State: 74.2%
Federal: 11.7%
Interagency: 11.6% (Interagency contracts for lab services could include some federal funds.)
Other: 2.5% (This includes public fees for service fees and earned federal funds.)

Total FY 86: \$6,397,242 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 4418d, 4445e and 4447e, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

This division is an essential support service for numerous TDH programs such as Maternal and Child Health; Communicable Diseases (See Sexually Transmissible Diseases and Tuberculosis); Consumer Health; Environmental Health; and Veterinary Public Health. The TDH Laboratories program also performs laboratory work for TDHS' Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) program through an interagency contract.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o Reviews applications, administers examinations, and issues and renews licenses for professional counselors, dieticians, speech-language pathologists and audiologists, and athletic trainers; reviews credentials and issues permits for medication aides, certificates for respiratory care practitioners, and registration for massage therapists and massage schools;
- o On-site inspections and licensing of hospitals, abortion clinics, birthing centers, HMOs and home health agencies;
- o Surveys and recommends approval for certification of providers and suppliers of Medicare clients.
- o Investigates complaints against professionals and establishments regulated under this program;
- o Supervises and controls Class D pharmacies; operates a central drug repackaging program to standardize the receipt and distribution of drug inventories.

DELIVERY METHOD

Central and regional staff conduct on-site surveys, inspections, follow-ups, consultations, complaint investigations, and collection of fees for licensure and certification activities throughout Texas. Regional staff, assisted by pharmacy personnel in local health departments, perform services related to establishment, operation, and supervision of Class D pharmacies.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility for licensure, certification, registration, etc. is determined by state and federal laws and regulations for each of the professional groups cited above.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 21,279 professional licenses, permits, certificates, and registrations
1,871 health facilities licensed
1,996 certifications for Medicare
818 surveys performed
84 Class D pharmacies
35 HMOs

FUNDING

State: 19.5%
Federal: 56.2% (Title XVIII Medicare)
Other: 24.3% (includes fees collected for licensing, etc.)

Total FY 86: \$3,042,096

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: 4418h; 4437f&h; 4447U; 4512d,g,h,j,k,l; 4442c; and 4512.8
Chapter 20A, Texas Insurance Code
Federal: P.L. 89-97
Title XVIII (Medicare)

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Medicare certification activities performed by TDH are 100% federally funded under a contract with the Health Care Financing Administration.

The 84 Class D pharmacies operated under this program serve over 400 public health clinics. These pharmacies handle drugs and medical devices used for family planning, V.D., Rabies, T.B., and immunizations.

See also: Long Term Care (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Licensing and Certification program was originally established in 1959 to regulate hospitals. Since then, the program's responsibilities have been expanded to include regulation of a wide range of professionals such as dieticians and respiratory care practitioners, and health-related establishments such as home health agencies, ambulatory surgical centers, abortion clinics and health maintenance organizations.

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION
Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Processing applications for licensure of facilities providing alcoholism treatment services; conducting on-site inspections for compliance with program and physical plant standards; issuing certificates of licensure; verifying licensure status to third party payors such as insurance companies, and approving treatment programs public inebriates and involuntarily committed persons.

DELIVERY METHOD

Licensure activities are performed on-site directly by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA) throughout the State.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must meet TCADA program and physical plant standards, be approved by the TCADA licensure review board, and pay an application and licensure fee.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 227 treatment and rehabilitation facilities licensed
(actual) 27 facilities approved for court commitments

FUNDING

State: 7%
Federal: 13%
Licensure Fees: 80%

Total FY 86: \$182,918 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5561cc, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Facilities that have been accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, the American Osteopathic Association or another national body of accreditation are not subject to an additional licensure inspection by TCADA. Hospitals operated by the federal or state government are not required to be licensed by the Commission, nor are offices of private licensed health care practitioners.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1985, the 69th Texas Legislature mandated that facilities providing alcoholism treatment services be licensed by TCADA. Mandatory licensure of alcohol and alcohol/drug abuse treatment programs became effective January 1, 1986. Programs which only treat persons who are drug abusers are not required to be licensed.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Community Development Block Grant--CDBG
Texas Department of Community Affairs

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The object of CDBG is to develop vital urban communities through the provision of adequate housing, suitable living environments and expanded economic opportunities. Specific services include improvement of public facilities and services, housing rehabilitation, physical planning and development, management training for county and municipal officials and rental assistance for eligible populations (Section 8 Housing Assistance Program).

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are provided through grants to communities, Councils of Governments or community action agencies who then administer the program. TDCA monitors compliance with program guidelines. Clients may apply for the Section 8 Housing Assistance Program by contacting their local housing authority.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Grants for improvement to public facilities and services, physical planning and development and housing rehabilitation are usually awarded to communities with populations of 50,000 and under. Grant money is used to benefit families of these communities whose annual incomes are less than 80% of the area median income.

Families, individuals aged 62 or older, or disabled persons, with an income that is equivalent to 50% or less of the median income for the county are eligible for the Section 8 Housing Program. Clients are asked to contribute 15% - 30% of their monthly income toward rent and utilities.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 262 communities

TDCA estimates that 37% of the communities in need of local government services are currently being served.

FUNDING

State:	2%
Federal:	99.7%
Other:	1% (Interagency Contracts)

Total FY 86: \$59,446,078 (expected)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: 42 USC 5301

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

77% of the recipient communities' populations are estimated to be of low or moderate income.

The toll-free number for information on TDCA programs is 1-800-252-9642.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Congregate meals, home-delivered meals, nursing home ombudsman services, transportation, information and referral, homemaker services, health screening, adult day care, senior center activities, legal assistance, residential repair, and case management.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Department on Aging allocates funds to its 28 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs). The AAAs are responsible for planning, developing, and coordinating services within their service areas. The AAAs either provide services directly or contract with local providers to deliver services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons 60 years of age and older and their spouses, regardless of income.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 650,000 older Texans (est.)

9,963,309 congregate meals were served to 260,086 persons
4,159,951 home-delivered meals were served to 54,943 persons
407,474 older persons received other supportive services

FUNDING

State: 5% (state and local match required)
Federal: 85%
Local: 10%

Total FY 86: \$41.1 million (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 101.001 et seq, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title III, Older Americans Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) provides a number of services similar to those under TDoA's Local Services program such as home-delivered and congregate meals, homemaker services, and transportation. However, the programs offered by TDHS have income and other eligibility requirements. See In-Home Services, Out-of-Home Services, and Medical Transportation.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

TDoA is the state agency designated to administer programs authorized under the federal Older Americans Act. Title III of the Act provides for a wide range of support services designed to help older persons remain active and independent in a home environment for as long as possible. Home-delivered and congregate meals are the major service components of the Title III programs.

Under Rider 60 of H.B. 20 (Acts of the 69th Texas Legislature), the Texas Department of Human Services was appropriated additional general revenue to increase the number of homebound, frail elderly Texans receiving home-delivered meals. TDHS contracted with the Department on Aging in FY 86 to carry out this charge. Of the 54,943 persons receiving home-delivered meals under TDoA's Local Services program, approximately 9,511 were funded through the \$1.25 million contract with TDHS.

Statewide Toll Free Number: 1-800-252-9240

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

At least two unannounced inspections of facilities annually; licensure and certification of facilities; investigation of complaints; review of patient care; determination of level of care (ICF III or skilled nursing care); operation of a toll-free hotline to receive complaints; denial, suspension, and revocation of licenses; collection of fees for issuance and renewal of licenses; and assessment of administrative penalties.

DELIVERY METHOD

Teams of TDH regional professionals conduct the inspections, surveys, consultations, follow-ups, complaint investigations, and open hearings. Determination of level of care for residents is performed by a TDH team of medical professionals.

ELIGIBILITY

Nursing homes, custodial and personal care homes, maternity homes, facilities for the mentally retarded, and adult day health care facilities are required by state law to be licensed by TDH. Additionally, any long term care facility which accepts Medicare or Medicaid recipients must be certified by TDH in order to receive reimbursement for services provided.

Licensure is required for facilities which furnish "food and shelter to four or more persons unrelated to the proprietor, and, in addition, provides minor treatment under the supervision of a physician licensed by the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners, or services which meet some need beyond the basic provision of food, shelter, and laundry." Certification is in addition to licensure and is dependant upon whether a facility chooses to serve Medicaid or Medicare clients.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 9,329 health surveys, inspections and follow-ups performed
86,322 clients' care and/or level of care reviewed
7,511 complaints investigated and followed-up
1,538 life safety code surveys performed

FUNDING

State: 37.4%
Federal: 4.0%
Other: 58.6%* (Fees and interagency funds)

Total FY 86: \$12,724,062

*This figure includes some federal/state Medicaid funds paid to TDH by the Texas Department of Human Services for certification of facilities serving Medicaid clients and for level of care reviews and determinations.

STATUTORY INFORMATION

State: Article 4442 and 695-1, V.A.C.S.
Chapter 32, Human Resources Code

Federal: Sections 1383C, 1395, and 1396a, U.S.C.A.
Titles XVIII (Medicare) and XIX (Medicaid), Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Although the Texas Department of Human Services is the state agency responsible for administering Medicaid funds, TDH has state statutory responsibility for determining medical eligibility for nursing home care and certifying homes accepting Medicaid clients. Therefore, TDHS and TDH have an interagency agreement through which TDHS pays TDH for services rendered. See also Long Term Institutional Care (TDHS).

Some group homes and portions of state schools operated by MHMR also fall under these licensure and certification requirements; see State Schools and Contracted Community Centers (TDMHMR). Other health facilities such as hospitals, home health agencies, etc., are regulated by TDH; see Licensure and Certification program.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

TDH regulates long term care facilities in accordance with both state and federal laws and regulations. The purpose of the program is to ensure that facilities meet minimum health and safety standards and that residents receive adequate care.

Statewide Toll Free number for nursing home information and/or complaints:
1-800-252-9106.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Two levels of nursing home services are provided under this program: 1) ICF (Intermediate Care Facility) is for clients whose conditions require the services of a licensed nurse on a daily basis, and 2) SNF (Skilled Nursing Facility) is for persons who require care under the direction of a registered nurse 24-hours per day.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals must apply for this program through their local Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) office. TDHS contracts with private and non-profit nursing homes which meet the standards for participation in the Medicaid program.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Financial eligibility is established by the State using federal guidelines. For FY 86, a person's income cannot exceed \$650.20 per month (or approximately 150% of poverty) and countable resources cannot exceed \$1,700. Additionally, clients must demonstrate a medical need for institutional services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 54,145 persons (est.) or approximately 36% of the persons in need.

FUNDING

State: 46.44% (required match)
Federal: 53.56%

Total FY 86: \$465,091,935 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 32, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XIX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Texas Department of Health is responsible for licensure, survey, and certification of nursing home facilities and for investigating nursing home complaints. TDH also conducts periodic medical reviews and assigns levels of care for nursing home residents (see Long Term Care). The Department of Human Services monitors Medicaid contracts, level of care decisions, and complaint resolutions. Prescription drugs for Medicaid recipients in nursing homes are provided under Vendor Drugs (TDHS). See also Mental Retardation--Intermediate Care Facilities (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The statewide toll free number for registering nursing home complaints is 1-800-252-9106.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Comprehensive and preventive medical care, diagnosis, treatment and referral; dietary therapy and counseling to diagnosed PKU children; immunizations; Rh blood testing and administering human immune globulin to eligible women; newborn screening for conditions such as sickle cell anemia, PKU, galactosemia, and hypothyroidism; family planning; and prenatal, intrapartum, and postnatal maternity care. This program also includes regulation of lay midwives through identification and training.

DELIVERY METHOD

MCH services are provided by TDH in its 10 public health regions. They are also delivered through 81 contractual agreements with universities and/or local health departments and community health centers. TDH also distributes testing materials and develops testing procedures for hospitals and local health departments for newborn screening and other services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Low income women and children with incomes at or below 150% of federal poverty guidelines. (A family of three can earn no more than \$13,680 per year.) Persons with incomes between 100-200% of poverty are assessed a co-pay fee. Intrapartum care is provided only to high-risk, pregnant women whose incomes are at or below 100% of poverty.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 791,315 (est.), at an average cost of \$52.28/person

FUNDING

State: 19%
Federal: 81% (Maternal and Child Health Block Grant)

Total FY 86: \$16,512,748 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4414B, V.T.C.S.
Federal: 5 USC 3393; Title V, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Maternal and Infant Health Improvement Act; Immunizations; Family Planning--Title X; Public Health Regions; and Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) (TDH); and Family Planning--Title XX (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Maternal and Child Health program was created in 1935 to carry out the mandate of Title V of the Social Security Act. The primary purpose of the program is to reduce infant mortality, prevent health problems, and improve the health status of low-income mothers, pregnant women, and children. It is estimated that 55 Texas counties currently have no family planning services from any source, 52 have no child health clinics, and 81 have no Title V maternity clinics.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Two types of services:

- o Comprehensive services for high risk women and infants: obstetrical care, preventive health services, medical, hospital and neo-natal intensive care, follow-up services for eligible high-risk infants, and emergency transportation.
- o Routine prenatal care: provided in Texas counties where services are nonexistent or inadequate.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are provided through contracts with health care providers selected by TDH such as medical schools, hospitals, university-affiliated clinics, community health centers, and local health departments.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- o High risk: pregnant women and infants who are Texas residents with incomes at or below 100% of poverty (\$9,120 family of three) and who are medically high risk, 16 or younger, or 40 or over when the pregnancy is diagnosed.
- o Routine prenatal care: pregnant women with incomes at or below 200% of poverty (\$18,240 for a family of three), who are ineligible for other federal or state programs, and who are Texas residents.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 2,500 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$3,152,938

STATUTORY INFORMATION

State: Article 4447Y, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Maternal and Infant Health Improvement is one of the bills passed by the 69th Legislature to provide for the basic health care needs of indigent Texans. See Maternal and Child Health; Primary Care; County Indigent Health Care; and Special Supplemental Feeding Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Maternal and Infant Health Improvement Act (MIHIA) was passed by the 69th Texas Legislature to provide basic health care to indigent women and children. The goals of MIHIA are to decrease maternal and infant mortality when possible, reduce the number of low birthweight babies and disabilities among children, and decrease the number of unplanned out-of-hospital births and the number of unplanned pregnancies among adolescents.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid), Texas provides comprehensive health care services to several categories of eligible clients who meet state-established income and resource requirements. Federal regulations set forth which services states must provide as well as a range of optional services states may elect to cover:

- o Mandatory services: physician, inpatient and outpatient hospital, laboratory and X-ray, home health care, ambulance, rural health clinic, and nurse-midwife.
- o Optional services provided in Texas: eyeglasses, optometric, podiatric, and chiropractic services, ambulatory surgical centers, audiology (for hearing aids only), limited oral surgery, and post-surgical lenses.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals apply for services at local TDHS offices across the State. TDHS determines eligibility. Eligible clients are then issued Medicaid cards which entitle them to the services listed above. Clients may then select the provider of choice (doctor, hospital, etc.). However, providers must agree to accept Medicaid patients. TDHS pays premiums to the National Heritage Insurance Company (NHIC) for eligible clients, and NHIC reimburses the provider directly.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The following categories of clients are eligible for services under Texas' Medicaid program:

1. AFDC: families with children who are deprived of support because of the absence or disability of one or both parents and who have no other means of adequate support automatically qualify for Medicaid. Currently, these families must have income below 24% of the poverty level.
2. Aged, Blind and Disabled Persons:
 - Persons whose incomes and resources meet Supplemental Security Income (SSI) standards are automatically eligible (\$336/month plus a \$20/month disregard, and \$1,700 in countable resources);
 - Persons who are in nursing homes and who have monthly incomes below the state-set standard of \$650.20/month (referred to as Medical Assistance Only or MAO); and
 - Persons who receive Medicare but whose incomes are low enough to qualify for Medicaid. TDHS pays the Part B-Supplemental Medical Insurance Benefit (SMIB) premiums for those people who would otherwise be Medicaid recipients.

3. Pregnant women and children: whose financial status would qualify for AFDC but whose family composition does not meet AFDC requirements (i.e., they are in a two-parent family or are first time mothers).
4. Medically needy: Caretakers, parents and children in one- and two-parent families whose incomes are below 133 1/3% of the AFDC payment levels (approximately \$225/month, family of three). Some medical bills may be deducted from family income to meet the financial eligibility requirements.

NUMBER SERVED

The figures below reflect the average number of recipient months for which premiums were paid for the various categories of eligible clients. (FY 86, est.)

FY 86: 445,521 AFDC
 (est.) 309,253 Aged, Blind & Disabled
 27,774 Pregnant Women & Children
 9,964 Medically Needy

FUNDING

State: 46.44% (required Medicaid match)
 Federal: 53.56%

Total FY 86: \$712,026,053 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 32, Human Resources Code
 Federal: Title XIX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For other Medicaid program services see: Long Term Institutional Care; Medicaid--Medical Transportation, Medicaid--Vendor Drugs; Medicaid--EPSDT; and Family Planning-Title XIX (TDHS). Some community-based programs for low-income aged and disabled persons also receive some Medicaid funds (see In-Home Services and Out-of-Home Services (TDHS). Other programs which are directly related to Medicaid include: AFDC, SSI, and Medicare.

For other health programs available to low-income individuals, see: Maternal and Child Health, Maternal and Infant Health Improvement (MIHIA), Primary Health Care, County Indigent Health Care, Community Health Services -- Local Health Department, Adult Health, Health Services--Public Health Regions, Chest Hospitals and Community Health Centers. See Index for other specialized medical programs.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1965, Congress created both Medicaid and Medicare. Medicaid eligibility is based on a person's financial need, whereas Medicare is available regardless of income to aged and disabled persons who have earned Social Security benefits and to their dependents.

MEDICAID--EARLY PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT (EPSDT)
Texas Department of Human Services

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

These preventive health care services provide for early detection and treatment of health problems in children before chronic disorders develop or irreversible damage occurs. Services include: periodic medical and dental screening to assess growth and development and to detect any abnormalities; treatment; follow-up; diagnosis; and support services such as outreach, transportation, and scheduling assistance.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals get services through medical and dental providers across the state who have agreements or contracts with TDHS. Children under 6 years with developmental delays are referred to the Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) Program.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All Medicaid recipients under age 21. For specific Medicaid eligibility, see Medicaid--Basic Services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 80,497 medical screenings (est.)
110,916 dental treatments (est.)

FUNDING

State: 46.44% (required Medicaid match)
Federal: 53.56%

Total FY 86: \$17,813,326 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 32, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XIX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Medicaid--Basic Services (TDHS) and Early Childhood Intervention (TDH). TDHS contracts with the Vision, Speech, and Hearing program administered by TDH for the provision of hearing aids to clients of EPSDT. See Dental Health Services (TDH) for dental care for other low-income children.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

EPSDT services are federally-mandated under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid).

Dental care is a state option under the federal Medicaid law, but Texas does not offer dental care option under its basic program (see Medicaid--Basic Services, TDHS). Therefore, the only Medicaid recipients in Texas eligible for dental services are children.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Federal Medicaid regulations require that non-emergency transportation be made available to transport eligible Medicaid recipients to and from their Medicaid health care providers.

DELIVERY METHOD

Clients can receive information on how to get transportation services from local TDHS offices throughout the State. TDHS contracts with taxi companies, community action agencies, city councils, county commissioners' courts, councils of government, public schools, Area Agencies on Aging, private corporations, individual providers and other service organizations for this service.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Under the Medicaid program, non-emergency transportation is available to any Medicaid recipient who has no other means of transportation. The eligibility requirements are the same as those for all Medicaid services. See Medicaid--Basic Services for specific eligibility information.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 705,246 one-way trips (est.)

FUNDING

State: 46.17% (46.44% required Medicaid match)
Federal: 51.97%
Other: 1.86% (Texas Cancer Council Contract)

Total FY 86: \$4,629,113 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 32, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XIX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Some of these contracts may be with Area Agencies on Aging (see Local Services/TDoA). TDHS also contracts with the Texas Cancer Council for a pilot project to provide transportation to indigent cancer patients from their local residences to a regional or district cancer referral institution and back.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

There are toll free numbers for information on transportation services in six TDHS regions:

Regions 1 & 2 -- 1-800-629-4182

Regions 7 & 11 -- 1-800-833-0195

Regions 9 -- 1-800-292-7353

Regions 10 -- 1-800-392-1011

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Under federal regulations governing the Medicaid program, states are given the option of providing prescription drugs for Medicaid recipients. In Texas, prescriptions which are deemed essential to the health care of Medicaid recipients are provided (up to three prescriptions per month).

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS reimburses pharmacists for prescription drugs provided to eligible persons.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All Medicaid recipients are eligible for this service. (See Medicaid--Basic Services for specific eligibility requirements for the categories of persons covered under Texas' Medicaid program.)

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 265,863 persons per average month (est.)
7,139,216 prescriptions purchased (est.)

FUNDING

State: 46.44% (required Medicaid match)
Federal: 53.56%

Total FY 86: \$108,391,044 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 32, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XIX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Medicaid--Basic Services.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The program consists of two parts: Part A--Hospital Insurance Benefits provides medical insurance that covers in-patient hospital care and some limited nursing home services; Part B--Supplementary Medical Insurance Benefits (SMIB) provides optional insurance coverage for services rendered by physicians, out-patient medical clinics and other services not covered by Part A. The duration of benefits and services is set by federal law. Part A requires the payment of a deductible, and Part B requires the payment of a premium and a deductible.

DELIVERY METHOD

This is a completely federal program administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Care Financing Administration. Application for Medicare is made at Social Security offices located throughout the State and U.S.

Medicare patients receive care from private and public providers who are certified to take Medicare. Medicare reimburses health care providers directly for covered services provided to Medicare recipients. Most providers are paid based on "reasonable charges." Hospitals are reimbursed based on pre-established rates for each diagnosed illness (DRGs) as set by the federal government.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Based primarily on an individual's eligibility for Social Security benefits or Railroad Retirement benefits (i.e., age 65 and sufficient payroll contributions to be eligible for social security retirement and Medicare). Also eligible are disabled workers; widows and widowers between 50 and 65; persons 18 and over who received Social Security because they were disabled before reaching the age of 22; disabled recipients of railroad retirement annuities; and individuals under 65 with chronic renal (kidney) disease who are insured for Social Security; or the spouse or dependent child of an insured individual.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 30,737,000 persons are enrolled in Part A.
(U.S.) 7,190,000 persons had payments made on their benefit.

FY 85: 29,781,000 persons are enrolled in Part B.
(U.S.) 21,227,000 persons had payments made on their behalf.

Texas figures not available.

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86, Part A: \$48,283,000,000 (U.S.)
Total FY 86, Part B: \$24,208,500,000 (est.) (U.S.)

Employed individuals pay payroll taxes into the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund, the federal funding mechanism for Medicare.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: 42 USC Section 1302 et. seq.
42 CFR, Part 405

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Texas Department of Human Services will pay the Part B-SMIB premium for low income Medicare recipients whose health care would otherwise be fully covered under Medicaid.

See also, Medicaid--Basic Services, and Long Term Institutional Care (TDHS). See Index for other specialized medical programs.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

For more information on Medicare please see the United States section of the Blue Pages in your local phone book under Medicare, Social Security, or Health and Human Services.

MENTAL HEALTH CAMPUS-BASED SERVICES--STATE CENTERS
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

State Centers' Campus-based Services are used as an alternative to hospitalization or as a transitional placement for clients who are being returned to the community. Services include: 24-hour care and supervision, room and board, support services and continuous care and rehabilitation as specifically indicated.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals are referred to State Centers by local social service agencies, other TDMHMR facilities, and physicians. TDMHMR provides these services directly through any of the following State Centers: El Paso, Harlingen and Laredo. (The Centers in Amarillo and Beaumont deliver services only to the mentally retarded.)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental illness. TDMHMR classifies clients according to the severity of their mental illness and such factors as their potential for harming others or themselves. Clients are generally those who do not have access to appropriate community-based services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 4,138 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 99%
Federal: Less than 1%
Other: Less than 1%

Total FY 86: \$5,716,036 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-1, VACS
Article 5547-201 et seq., VACS
Article 5547-300, VACS
Article 46.01 Et.Seq., Code of Criminal Procedure

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS

All five State Centers provide services to mentally retarded persons (see Mental Retardation Campus-based and Community Services -- State Centers).

For other programs serving mentally ill persons see: Mental Health Community Services--State Centers, Mental Health Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Hospitals, and Mental Health Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

State Centers were initially created with federal funds in the mid-1960s.

The statewide toll free number for information on mental health services and the Mental Health Code is: 1-800-252-8154.

MENTAL HEALTH CAMPUS-BASED SERVICES--STATE HOSPITALS
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

24-hour supervision and residential care; diagnosis, stabilization, therapeutic care and treatment; meals, education, physical care, recreation, and training. Because many clients also have visual and hearing problems, muscular and skeletal deformities or metabolic and nervous disorders, the hospital also helps them to cope with or correct their physical handicaps.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDMHMR provides these services directly in nine state hospitals located in Austin, Big Spring, Kerrville, Rusk, San Antonio, Terrell, Vernon, and Wichita Falls. The facility at Waco (Waco Center for Youth) has statewide service responsibility for emotionally disturbed youths aged 10-17. Individuals are referred to state hospitals by physicians, social workers, local service agencies and law enforcement authorities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental illness. TDMHMR classifies clients according to the severity of the individual's mental illness and other factors such as their potential for threatening the safety of others or additional physical or mental problems.

Only those individuals who have been admitted to community-based programs and for whom appropriate locally-administered services are not available will be transferred to state hospitals.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 18,852 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 97%
Federal: Less than 1%
Other: 2% (primarily interagency contracts)

Total FY 86: \$162,953,555 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 5547-1, 5547-201 et seq., and 5547-300, VACS
Article 46.01 et seq., Code of Criminal Procedure

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Other programs for mentally ill persons include: Mental Health Community Services--State Hospitals; Mental Health Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Centers; and Mental Health Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR).

Each of the nine state hospitals operated by TDMHMR has a special unit for substance abusers. The Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse provides funding to TDMHMR for additional alcohol counselors (see Institutional Treatment and Rehabilitation/TCADA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The statewide toll free number for information on mental health services and the Mental Health Code is: 1-800-252-8154.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

State Centers' Community Services are provided in areas of the State not served by local mental health centers or hospitals. Services include: 24-hour emergency screening and crisis intervention, client and family support services, skills development services and mental health maintenance services (e.g., medication clinic, laboratory monitoring, and coping-oriented counseling.)

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals are referred by local social services agencies, physicians, and law enforcement authorities. These services are provided through the state centers located in El Paso, Harlingen and Laredo. Programs are operated either out of the main facility or at one or more locations in the geographic area surrounding the individual State Center (typically in a rural area). Out-patient and alternative residential services are provided either directly by the center or by contract with other providers for those clients who need treatment for mental health and substance abuse disorders.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental illness. TDMHMR classifies clients according to the severity of their mental illness and such factors as their potential for harming others or themselves. Clients are generally those who do not have access to appropriate community mental health services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 2,955 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 80%
Federal: 1%
Other: 19% (Interagency Contracts comprise 13%)

Total FY 86: \$1,819,304 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-1, VACS;
Article 5547-201 et.seq., VACS;
Article 5547-300, VACS; and
Article 46.01 et. seq., VACS; Code of Criminal Procedure

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

All five of the state centers also serve mentally retarded persons (see Mental Retardation Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Centers). Other programs serving mentally ill persons include: Mental Health Campus-Based Services--State Centers, Mental Health Campus-based and Community Services--State Hospitals, and Mental Health Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR). See also Community-based Treatment and Rehabilitation (TCADA) for substance abuse services.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

State Centers were originally created with federal funds in the mid-1960s.

The statewide toll free number for information on mental health services and the Mental Health Code is: 1-800-252-8154.

MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITY SERVICES--STATE HOSPITALS
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS

State Hospital Community Services are primarily provided in areas of the State not served by local mental health centers or State Centers. Services include: 24-hour emergency screening and crisis intervention, case management, skills development services and mental health maintenance services (e.g., medication clinic and laboratory monitoring, and coping-oriented counseling.) The program also facilitates the admission of clients to the state hospital and their return to the community.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive services at community service centers or clinics located at various sites surrounding eight of the nine State Hospitals: Austin, Big Spring, Kerrville, Rusk, San Antonio, Terrell, Vernon, and Wichita Falls. The Waco Center for Youth does not provide out-patient services but does contract with community mental health providers to arrange for follow-up, case-management, and alternative residential care.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental illness. Community services are provided only to those individuals for whom appropriate locally-administered services are not available. Priority is given to clients based upon the severity of the individual's mental illness and other factors such as their potential danger to others or themselves or other physical or mental problems.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 16,231 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 96%
Federal: Less than 1%
Other: 3% (Interagency contracts comprise less than 1%.)

Total FY 86: \$14,272,118 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 5547-201 et seq., and 5547-300, VACS
Article 46.01 et seq., Code of Criminal Procedure

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Other programs for mental illness include: Mental Health Campus-based Services--State Hospitals, Mental Health Campus-based and Community Services--State Centers, and Mental Health Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR).

State hospitals contract with Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA) for alcohol and drug abuse counseling to clients. See Community-based Treatment and Rehabilitation (TCADA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

TDMHMR provides both campus-based and community-based residential care for mentally ill persons, including substance abusers and autistic persons.

The statewide toll free number for information on mental health services and the Mental Health Code is: 1-800-252-8154.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Case management, crisis stabilization and emergency services; medical/psychiatric treatment, including monitoring and supervision of drug therapy; respite care; a range of work-related activities including vocational training, vocational assessments, sheltered workshops, work stations in industry and job placement, brief hospitalization in community hospitals and a range of residential programs including short-term and long-term housing.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive care at 31 local mental health and mental retardation centers in 112 Texas counties. TDMHMR contracts with the centers for these services. Each center is governed by a local board of trustees.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental illness. Priority treatment is given to persons who are at the greatest risk of being institutionalized. The determination of the client's needs is based upon a variety of criteria relating to the assessment of mental illness.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 125,618 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 69%
Federal: 11% (Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Block Grant)
Local: 20% (required match)

Total FY 1986: \$71,590,149

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-1, VACS;
Article 5547-201 et seq., VACS;
Article 5547-300, VACS; and
Article 46.01 et seq. Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.
Federal: 42 USC 300X et seq.; PL 97-35, Alcohol, Drug Abuse
and Mental Health Block Grant

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

TDMHMR contracts with the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse to provide substance and alcohol abuse counseling through this program. Other programs serving mentally ill persons include: Mental Health Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Centers; and Mental Health Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Hospitals (TDMHMR).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Community centers provide the majority of their services on an out-patient basis.

The statewide toll free number for information on mental health services and the Mental Health Code is: 1-800-252-8154.

MENTAL HEALTH--HOUSTON PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

This 250-bed facility is scheduled to open this year. Residents will receive a complete array of psychiatric services, including 24-hour care and supervision, room and board, diagnostic and therapeutic services, supportive related services, continuity of care planning with the local mental health-mental retardation authority, and rehabilitative services.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDMHMR contracts with the Houston Psychiatric Hospital, which provides services on-site.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mentally ill residents of Harris County.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 87: 1,799 (budgeted)

This constitutes 13% of those in need in Harris County.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$6,000,000

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 5547-201 et seq., and 5547-300, VACS
Article 46.01 et seq., Code of Criminal Procedure

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For other programs serving mentally ill persons see Mental Health Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Hospitals, Mental Health Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Centers, and Mental Health--Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Harris County Psychiatric Center (HCPC) was dedicated October 15, 1986. Its purpose is to decrease the number of necessary short-term admissions to the Austin State Hospital by diverting voluntary admissions, providing services to court-committed clients, and delivering short-term crisis stabilization services to both voluntary and involuntary clients. The hospital was created to meet the needs of the Houston area, which did not have these services available. It will be operated by the University of Texas System as a teaching hospital and will be jointly funded by the State and Harris County.

MENTAL HEALTH/MENTAL RETARDATION--CLIENT SERVICES AND RIGHTS
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides a complaints resolution process for TDMHMR clients and their family members.

Assists clients in locating public and private services and other necessary resources; coordinates admissions to state schools and community residential facilities; coordinates all interstate client transfers under the Interstate Compact on Mental Health; monitors client abuse and neglect in all state facilities, community MHMR centers and private psychiatric hospitals; maintains the client injury reporting system for all state facilities; provides designated reports to the federal court consultation to facility and community MHMR centers, Clients Rights Officer.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDMHMR central office staff deliver this service directly to clients of the State schools and hospitals and to their family members.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Clients of TDMHMR and their families, guardians and care providers.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 4,689 individual client referrals (est.)

FUNDING

State: 80%
Other: 20% (15% Interagency Contracts)

Total FY 86: \$268,131 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5561F, VACS
Article 5547-1, VACS
Article 5547-201 et seq., VACS
Article 5547-300, VACS
Article 46.01 et seq., Code of Criminal Procedure

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See all other TDHMHR programs.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Client Services and Rights Program was established in 1982 to centralize the processing of complaints and to track down problem areas within TDMHR.

Client Services toll free number: 1-800-252-8154

MENTAL RETARDATION CAMPUS-BASED SERVICES--STATE CENTERS
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

State Centers provide short-term and/or long-term residential care and out-patient services in areas of the State not served by State Schools or community MHMR centers. The range of services include: vocational, medical and dental services; physical, occupational, and recreational therapy; and support services like maintenance, food service and laundry. Clients have the opportunity to participate in activities occurring in the local community such as participation at local swim meets, community parks and recreation activities, and scouting activities. Clients with special needs are served by qualified professionals with consultation from specialists in the medical, dental, and habilitation fields.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals are referred to the State Centers by TDMHMR State Schools. Services are provided directly by the five State Centers which are located in Amarillo, Beaumont, El Paso, Harlingen and Laredo.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental retardation. TDMHMR classifies clients for treatment based upon the severity of the person's mental retardation and other factors such as additional physical problems.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,533 (est.)

FUNDING

State:	98%
Federal:	Less than 1%
Other:	2% (less than 1% interagency contracts) Less than 2% (interagency contracts)
Total FY 86:	\$10,029,153 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-201 et seq., VACS

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For other services for mentally retarded persons see: Mental Retardation Community Services--State Centers; Mental Retardation Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Schools; and Mental Retardation--Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR). See also Mental Retardation--Intermediate

Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR)(TDHS). For information on licensing and/or certification of facilities, see Long Term Care (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

State Centers were created in the mid-1960s with federal funds. Of the five TDMHMR currently operates five state centers, three provide services for both mentally ill and mentally retarded patients and two provide services only to the mentally retarded. State Centers are much smaller than TDMHMR State Schools and provide a much higher proportion of out-patient services.

Some of the residential beds in State Centers may be certified to serve Medicaid eligible mentally retarded persons. Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid), the federal government will reimburse Texas for the cost of providing services at a rate of approximately 44%/state and 56%/federal.

MENTAL RETARDATION CAMPUS-BASED SERVICES--STATE SCHOOLS
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS

Residential, therapeutic care and treatment, meals, education, physical care and recreation for mentally retarded persons. Because many clients have visual and hearing problems, muscular and skeletal deformities or metabolic and nervous disorders, the school also helps them to cope with or correct their physical handicaps.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals are referred to the State Schools by social service agencies, private and public schools, counselors and physicians in the community. TDMHMR provides these services directly in 13 state schools located throughout the state. A facility at Waco (Waco Center for Youth) has statewide service responsibility for emotionally disturbed youths aged 10-17.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental retardation. TDMHMR classifies clients according to the severity of their mental retardation and other factors such as physical problems in order to provide appropriate services. Children and adults who are the most severely disabled will be given the highest priority for services, especially if they are current or potential residents of state facilities.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 10,639 (unduplicated count of individuals receiving services)

FUNDING

State: 97%*
Federal & Other: 3% (1.5% in interagency contracts)

Total FY 86: \$221,182,379*

* All of the 13 state schools are certified as Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR). Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid), the federal government reimburses the State for a significant portion of the costs of providing ICF-MR services to eligible clients at a matching rate of approximately 44%/state and 56%/federal. The Texas Legislature appropriates general revenue to TDMHMR to cover the costs of operating the schools. The reimbursement obtained from the federal government is returned to the state treasury, and thus is not reflected in TDMHMR's budget.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 5547-201 et seq., and 5547-300, VACS
Article 46.01 et seq., Code of Criminal Procedure

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For other programs serving mentally retarded persons see: Mental Retardation Community Services--State Schools; Mental Retardation Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Centers; and Mental Retardation--Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR). See also Mental Retardation--Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR)(TDHS). For information on the licensure and/or certification of mental retardation facilities see Long Term Care(TDH).

Educational services for persons aged 3-22 who are mentally retarded are the responsibility of the local independent school districts.

MENTAL RETARDATION COMMUNITY SERVICES--STATE CENTERS
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

State Centers provide community-based services to mentally retarded persons in areas of the State not served by State Schools or community MHR centers. Services include: in-home support services, respite services, family support services, and training and treatment to enhance the individual's ability to function as independently as possible.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive services by contacting state centers located in Amarillo, Beaumont, El Paso, Harlingen and Laredo.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental retardation. Clients are generally those who do not have access to appropriate community-based services. TDMHR classifies clients according to the severity of their mental retardation and other factors such as physical problems in order to provide appropriate services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,940 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 70%
Federal: 1%
Other: 29% (14% in interagency contracts)

Total FY 86: \$7,527,111 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-201 et seq., VACS
Article 5547-300, VACS

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For other programs serving mentally retarded persons see: Mental Retardation Campus-based Services--State Centers; Mental Retardation Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Schools; and Mental Retardation--Contracted Community Services (TDMHR). See also Mental Retardation--Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR)(TDHS). For information on licensure and/or certification of facilities, see Long Term Care (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

State centers were established in the mid-1960s with federal funds. Of the five TDMHR state centers, three provide services for both mentally ill and mentally retarded patients and two provide services only to the mentally retarded. State Centers are much smaller than TDMHR State Schools and provide a much higher proportion of out-patient services.

SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS

Services are designed to meet the needs of clients who have returned to the community from institutional placement and/or to prevent eligible clients from requiring institutionalization.

In-home support services, respite services, family support services, case management services and diagnostic and evaluation services are designed to help the individual live independently. Vocational programs including work adjustment training, pre-vocational services, sheltered workshops, and work stations in industry are also offered. Services are both residential and outpatient in nature.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals are referred to TDMHMR by schools, physicians, counselors, local social service agencies and other TDMHMR institutions. TDMHMR provides these services directly through 13 State Schools throughout the state.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental retardation. Clients needs are assessed by interdisciplinary teams located in the State School. They are then matched with those services best for their needs.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 6,606 (est.)

FUNDING

FY 86: State: 80%
Other: 20% (12% Interagency Contracts)

Total FY 86: \$22,441,250

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 5547-201 et seq., and 5547-300, VACS
Article 46.01 et seq., Code of Criminal Procedure

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For other programs serving Mentally retarded persons see: Mental Retardation Campus-based Services-- State Schools; Mental Retardation Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Centers; and Mental

Retardation--Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR). See also Mental Retardation--Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR)(TDHS). For information regarding licensure and/or certification of facilities, see Long Term Care (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid), states can receive reimbursement for residential care for certain low-income mentally retarded persons who are in facilities certified as Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR). The matching requirement for reimbursement is approximately 44%/state and 56%/federal. The Texas Legislature appropriates general revenue to TDMHMR to cover the cost of operating the State Schools. The federal reimbursement is returned to the State Treasury, and thus is not reflected in TDMHMR's budget.

MENTAL RETARDATION--CONTRACTED COMMUNITY SERVICES
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Community MHMR centers are locally-staffed and governed by a local board of trustees. The centers are usually designated as the Mental Retardation Authority (MRA) for their area and are responsible for the provision of a wide range of services as a condition of receiving state funds.

- o Case management, emergency services, medical treatment, and respite care;
- o Work-related activities including vocational training, vocational assessments, sheltered workshops, work stations in industry and job placement;
- o Short-term and long-term residential care and developmental programs.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive care at 28 of the 31 community MHMR centers across the State. Three centers provide care only to mentally ill persons (MHMR of South Texas, Navarro County MHMR Center, and Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority). TDMHMR contracts with the community centers to provide services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Mental retardation. Priority is given to clients who are most in need of treatment and support from the MHMR system and who are at the greatest risk of institutionalization.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,699 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%*

Total FY 86: \$30,163,960* (est.)

*This reflects only the State appropriation for Contracted Community Services for mentally retarded persons. Local resources are required to provide a 20% match for the State funds received.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5547-201 et seq., VACS
Article 5547-300, VACS

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For other programs serving mentally retarded persons see: Mental Retardation Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Schools; Mental Retardation Campus-based Services and Community Services--State Centers (TDMHMR). See also Mental Retardation--Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR)(TDHS). For information on licensing and/or certification of facilities, see Long Term Care (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Some of the residential facilities operated by the Community MHMR Centers may be certified as Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded. Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid), federal reimbursement is available for a significant portion of the costs of providing care. Currently, the matching rate for reimbursement is approximately 44%/state and 56%/federal.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides residential care for Medicaid eligibles who are also mentally retarded and/or have a related developmental disability. Services include: medical treatment and habilitative/restorative care in facilities certified as Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR). Clients of the program and the facilities are classified according to the following levels of care:

- o ICF-MR I facilities provide primarily a transitional living arrangement which provides pre-vocational training and sheltered workshop experience for clients who are more capable of independent living.
- o ICF-MR V facilities are for persons with more moderate to severe levels of mental retardation or developmental disabilities.
- o ICF-MR VI facilities provide continuous health and rehabilitative treatment to persons with profound and severe levels of mental retardation or developmental disabilities.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS contracts with private ICF-MR facilities or facilities administered by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Facilities are reimbursed according to the levels of care provided.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

General eligibility requirements are the same as those for all Medicaid services (see Medicaid--Basic Services); however, clients also must be mentally retarded and/or have a related developmental disability.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 3,822 persons per day in ICF-MR community-based facilities (est.)

FUNDING

State: 46.44% (required Medicaid match)
Federal: 53.56%

Total FY 86: \$74,091,804 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 32, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XIX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For other programs serving mentally retarded persons, see: Mental Retardation Campus-Based Services and Community Services--State Schools; Mental Retardation Campus-Based Services and Community Services--State Centers; and Mental Retardation--Contracted Community Services (TDMHMR). For information regarding licensure and certification of facilities, see Long Term Care (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (Medicaid), states can receive reimbursement for residential care for low-income, mentally retarded persons in facilities which have been certified as Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR). The matching requirement for reimbursement is the same as other Medicaid services (43.44%/state and 53.56% federal). Many of the programs for mentally retarded persons operated by TDMHMR and by private entities are also certified as Intermediate Care Facilities.

MESSAGE RELAY FOR THE DEAF
Local Contract Services
Texas Commission for the Deaf

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides message relay services to persons who are deaf and hearing impaired residing in Texas who otherwise have no alternative means to access telephone communications with persons, agencies, and organizations.

DELIVERY METHOD

Message relay services are provided through 16 community-based Councils on Deafness contracting with the Commission. Persons who are deaf and hearing impaired, with access to a Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD), can call these organizations for the purpose of accessing telephone communications with other individuals, agencies and organizations who do not have a TDD. Organizations are reimbursed according to a previously established rate schedule. Technical and consultative services are provided to community based organizations, located throughout the state, who desire to establish and/or upgrade their system of message relay.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Client must be deaf or hearing impaired.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 40,000 messages were relayed via TDDs by this program (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$40,000

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 81, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Services to Elderly Deaf and TDD Placement (TCD).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Deaf was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 by the 66th Legislature. On behalf of deaf Texans, the agency works toward several objectives: 1) to implement a statewide advocacy and education program; 2) to provide direct services to the deaf and hearing impaired; and 3) to establish coordination of services offered to the deaf and hearing impaired at the agency level. Many of the Commission's services are offered on a contract basis through 16 Councils on Deafness located throughout the State.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Pays for the cost of transporting critically ill infants from any part of the state to a Level III neonatal intensive care unit if the cost cannot be borne by any other source. Current statutes do not allow for reimbursement for return transportation.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDH reimburses the receiving hospital directly for the costs of transporting eligible infants.

ELIGIBILITY

Infants requiring Level III intensive care for whom the cost of transportation to a qualified facility cannot be borne by the family or any other source. There is no set income eligibility; the transfer must be for medical reasons only. The administrator of the receiving hospital determines whether the infant is eligible.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 88 infants transported to Level III hospitals (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$85,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: 4438b, V.A.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Under the Maternal and Infant Health Improvement (MIHIA) program, high risk mothers and infants may also receive transportation to a Level III facility. Non-emergency transportation to health care providers is available to Medicaid recipients. See Medicaid--Medical Transportation (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1983, the 68th Texas Legislature authorized state reimbursement for the cost of transporting critically ill infants to qualified Level III neonatal intensive care units. When a critically ill newborn child requires rapid transfer, standard emergency vehicles are not adequate. Also, the infant may need accompaniment of a medical specialist. Therefore, transportation may be very costly, particularly since most Level III hospitals are located in or near major urban areas, and there may be great distances between these facilities and rural areas of the state.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides nutrition information and teaching resources to schools and child care facilities to promote effective nutrition and food service management and to enable children to learn about and practice good eating habits.

Workshops are provided for educators, food service directors and staff, Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) child development specialists and licensing representatives, and others who teach, supervise or prepare food for children. Topics include nutrition education, menu planning, sanitation and health, food service and physical fitness. NET services include a lending library of over 2000 teaching guides, books and audiovisuals of nutrition related materials.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS staff provide workshops throughout the State. Materials are provided on a loan basis.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All personnel and children in nonprofit public or private child care facilities who participate in the Child Care Food Program and schools which participate in the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs are eligible for training services. Any individual interested in the nutritional well-being of children can request information or use the Texas NET Lending Library.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 2,500 persons participated in workshops
(est.) 145 workshops were presented
25 persons per month used the lending library

FUNDING

Federal: 100%
Total FY 86: \$296,671

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Child Nutrition Act, as amended
Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

NET provides services to TDHS child development specialists and Child Care Licensing representatives and provides technical information on nutrition and food service management, menu analysis and guidance in storage and use of USDA donated foods for other programs such as the Child Care Food Program (TDHS).

OLDER BLIND SERVICES/INDEPENDENT LIVING REHABILITATION (OBS/ILR)

Texas Commission for the Blind

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o prevention of blindness (education and coordination of medical treatment)
- o restoration of vision (coordination of surgery and provision of assistive devices)
- o assistance in accessing community resources
- o adaptive training (travel techniques, daily living skills)

Through these services and the necessary skills training the individual is able to function without vision. This allows elderly blind and blind Texans, too profoundly disabled to work, the ability to remain in their own home communities.

DELIVERY METHODS

Trained OBS/ILR Caseworkers teach blind Texans in their home and community environments to adapt and function without vision.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Blind and visually handicapped persons, 55 years of age or older and in need of independent living skills but not appropriate for vocational rehabilitation.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 680 (est.)

Due to inadequate funding, this program is very limited and services are not available for all of the eligible individuals in the state.

TCB estimates that there are 25,821 elderly blind individuals in Texas who are eligible for services under this program. This population will continue to increase each year as advances in medical technology occur.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$353,642 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 5, Human Resources Code
Federal: The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

These clients are often recipients of SSI, SSDI, Medicaid (TDHS), or Medicare, which can be used to obtain services offered by this program.

This program attempts to serve those people who are not eligible under the TCB Vocational Rehabilitation Program. Over 80% of the clients are 55 years of age or older and in need of assistance to develop the skills necessary to remain or become more independent.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Blind was created in 1931 and went through the Sunset Review process for the 69th Legislative Session. The basic objectives for services are: 1) attainment of greatest work potential; 2) sight preservation/restoration; and 3) independent living.

Toll Free Services Information: 1-800-252-5204

OUTDOOR TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR THE DEAF
Special Services
Texas Commission for the Deaf

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

During a one-week summer camp session, deaf and hearing-impaired children and youth participate in communication barrier free recreation and instructional activities. The program is designed to improve appropriate social interaction, communications skills, motor skills and leadership skills.

DELIVERY METHOD

Students can be referred for the camp through Regional Day Schools for the Deaf, the Texas School for the Deaf and local school districts. Applications are submitted to the TCD who screens for appropriate applicants. A camp advisor from the privately-run camp assists in selecting campers. The camp will be held in Kerrville in 1987.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be deaf or hearing impaired, ages 8 - 17, and are selected by the Commission. Children with medical conditions requiring extensive care are not able to attend the camp.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 160 children attended camp in the summer of 1986 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$38,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 81, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Several Senior Citizens attend the camp as camp helpers at no extra cost to the Commission.

The Commission for the Deaf was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 by the 66th Legislature. On behalf of deaf Texans, the agency works toward several objectives: 1) to implement a statewide advocacy and education

program; 2) to provide direct services to the deaf and hearing impaired; and 3) to establish coordination of services offered to the deaf and hearing impaired at the agency level. Many of the Commission's services are offered on a contract basis through 16 Councils on Deafness located throughout the State.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Community Care For Aged and Disabled Persons includes a range of services for persons who do not require nursing home care but who need assistance due to medical or functional impairments:

- o Day activities and health services (DAHS) provide nursing services, physical rehabilitation, nutrition and supportive services in adult day care facilities licensed by the Texas Department of Health and certified by Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS). These services are for persons with chronic medical and personal care needs and are available at least 10 hours per day.
- o Adult foster care is provided in certified/licensed 24-hour living settings and includes preparation of special diets, assistance with activities of daily living, remedial speech or reading exercises and reality orientation, or other special services which may be needed.
- o Emergency care services include room and board, protective supervision, personal care, social and recreational activities, housekeeping and laundry and transportation services. These services are provided while TDHS arranges for a more permanent living arrangement for the client. Emergency placement may be in foster care homes and in supervised living facilities. Care is provided to clients for up to 30 days after which no more than one 30-day extension can be granted.
- o Special services for handicapped adults has two components: attendant care and day care service. The 24-hour attendant component provides personal assistance, housekeeping and supervision by an on-site manager under contract with TDHS. Currently there are five providers in four cities: Arlington, Austin, Houston, and Lubbock. Day care services are provided in facilities licensed by TDH as adult day care facilities. The services include counseling, assistance with personal care, development of independent living skills, and transportation.

DELIVERY METHOD

Eligibility determination and case management are performed by TDHS staff in local offices statewide. Actual services are provided through contracts with local providers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Aged individuals and disabled persons age 18 or over who meet the income and resource requirements for Title XIX Medicaid or Title XX Social Services and who qualify for services based on a medical or functional needs assessment performed by the agency. Income eligibility for Title XIX

is \$336/month (plus a \$20 disregard) and \$1,700 in countable resources, or approximately 80% of the poverty level. Income eligibility for Title XX is \$670.20 month plus \$5,000 in countable resources, or approximately 150% of the poverty level.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,730 average number of clients/month (est.)

FUNDING

State: 26% (est.)
Federal: 74% (est.) Titles XIX and XX

Total FY 86: . \$5,315,925

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapters 22, 31, and 32, Human Resources Code
Federal: Titles XIX and XX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAM/SERVICES

See In-Home Services, Client Managed Attendant Care, Supervised Living, and Adult Protective Services, all of which are administered by TDHS under the Community Care for Aged and Disabled Persons division. For licensing information see Long Term Care and Licensing and Certification (TDH). Similar services for aged persons may be provided under Local Services administered by the Texas Department on Aging.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1974, Texas began providing community-based alternatives to older and disabled persons in an effort to prevent premature nursing home placement, to prevent abuse, neglect, or exploitation of persons unable to protect themselves, and to provide more appropriate and cost-effective services.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Children attend pre-kindergarten classes half-days during the regular school year.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) provides partial funding to school districts who have 15 or more students eligible for the pre-kindergarten program. Funding is based on both the average attendance in the program and the basic allotment to the school district.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Student must be 4 years old, unable to comprehend the English language or from a family whose income and size would qualify them for the School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 9,975 students (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$36,266,400 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Texas Education Agency, Section 21.136, (Pre-kindergarten)

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Early Childhood Intervention Program (TDH) serves children birth to five years old; however, these programs are limited and not offered on a statewide basis. Pre-kindergarten programs may also be provided in conjunction with Head Start Programs (see Head Start).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Pre-kindergarten program was first offered in the 1985-86 school year and approximately 29% of Texas School Districts received funding.

Special Education Hotline: 1-800-252-9668

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Diagnostic and treatment services, emergency health services, family planning, immunizations and other preventive health services, health education, laboratory, x-ray, nuclear medicine, and other diagnostic services.

DELIVERY METHOD

These services are available in many but not all areas of the State. Individuals can inquire regarding availability by calling local or regional health departments. Services are provided through contracts with health care providers across the state. The Department of Health selects these providers through a "Request for Proposal" process.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Clients must be Texas residents, ineligible for any other public or private benefits, with incomes no greater than 150% of the federal poverty level. (A family of three may earn no more than \$13,680 per year.)

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86 and 87: 70,000 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86 and 87: \$8,000,000 (est.)

STATUTORY INFORMATION

State: Article 4438D, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Primary Health Care is one of several bills passed by the 69th Legislature to provide for the basic health care needs of indigent Texans. Other bills included: County Indigent Health Care (TDHS) and Maternal and Infant Health Improvement Services (TDH). See also: Immunizations, Community Health Services, Special Supplemental Food Program (TDH); and Medicaid (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Primary Health Care was established in 1985 by the 69th Legislature to increase the availability of basic health care services in Texas for medically indigent persons living in areas with high rates of poverty and inadequate access to health care services.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Primary prevention services are designed to prevent alcohol and drug abuse among youths and adults with particular emphasis placed on high risk populations such as children of alcoholic parents. Services include: education and counseling for students, children of alcoholics, parents, pregnant women, and the public; information campaigns, workshops, and educational materials covering subjects such as alcoholism, alcohol abuse, fetal alcohol syndrome, infant drug addiction and accidental deaths and injuries associated with alcoholism. Services are focused most intensively upon the children of alcoholics. Workshops are also provided for professionals who deal with the problems of alcohol and drug abuse. Free film rental and low-cost literature are available to the public.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are provided through contracts with private, non-profit and public agencies and through workshops, institutes and information campaigns sponsored by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA).

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

There are no eligibility requirements for persons receiving services; however, children of alcoholics, pregnant women, and other groups who are considered high-risk populations are targeted for services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 2,276 children of alcoholics (According to TCADA, this
(actual) represents .3% of all children living in households with problem
drinkers)

500,189 children and youth in grades K-12 and college students
received educational services. Approximately 1,308 public
schools in Texas currently are involved in prevention services.

FUNDING

State: 17%
Federal: 81% (Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Block Grant)
Other: 2% (Sale of publications)

Total FY 86: \$1,708,750 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5561C-2, VACS
Federal: 42 USC 300X

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

This is one of several services offered by the Commission to deal with alcohol and drug abuse. See also: Intervention, Drug Abuse, Institutional Treatment and Rehabilitation, and Community-based Treatment and Rehabilitation (TCADA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

TCADA estimates that 844,184 children live in households where there is a problem drinker. TCADA also estimates that in 1986, 1,920 youth under 17 will be arrested for driving while intoxicated (DWIs); 5,456 for violation of state liquor laws; 7,848 for public intoxication; and 4,027 for drug offenses.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Individualized Educational Plan (IEP)/Admission, Review and Dismissal Committees (ARD) meetings; comprehensive, multi-disciplinary assessments; pre-admission assessments where needed; related services in the form of counseling, physical and occupational therapy; necessary reports for student files and dissemination to parents and local education agencies; in order to comply with Public Law 94-142 (the federal Education of All Handicapped Children Act) and Texas Education Agency (TEA) guidelines.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) is located in Austin. ARD meetings are conducted annually and upon need for all TSD students. Assessments are administered where necessary for applicants to TSD and every three years comprehensive, multidisciplinary assessments are conducted for all TSD students. Thirteen certified specialists participate in the assessment which is used to develop IEPs for TSD students based on related services that are needed. For example, support services personnel provide speech, audiological, occupational and physical therapy; individual and group counseling; vocational assessment and career planning.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be enrolled at Texas School for the Deaf or be hearing impaired and requiring assessment for an IEP/ARD. Students must be hearing impaired and referred by their home school districts through the ARD process or by their parents under State Law (S.B. 809).

NUMBER SERVED

FY 1986: IEP/ARD meeting: 511 students
Administration of multidisciplinary assessment: 300
Students counseled: 300
PT/OT services: 215
Speech Therapy Services: 270
Audiological therapy Services: 220

FUNDING

State: 100%
Total FY 86: \$831,175~~0~~ (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.03, Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Education Programs/Upper School and Lower School (TSD).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of the Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) from the State Board of Education. TSD is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment, for each student that is enrolled in TSD, from their home school district.

With the increased number of multi-handicapped deaf students, pupil personnel support staff carry extended caseloads.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

This mandatory federal program is designed to assist refugees in becoming self-sufficient as quickly as possible after arrival in the United States. Services include cash assistance, medical and social services, English instruction, job placement, and vocational training.

DELIVERY METHOD

Cash, medical and certain social services are provided by the Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS). English instruction, job placement, and vocational training are provided through contracts with local agencies. Social services are provided only in those areas of the State having the largest refugee populations: Amarillo, Dallas-Ft. Worth, Austin, Corpus Christi, San Antonio, Beaumont-Port Arthur, and Houston.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility is based on refugee status accorded by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Services (INS). Cash and medical assistance is based on the State's Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program (AFDC) income eligibility and payment levels (see AFDC) and is restricted to the first 18 months a refugee resides in the United States. Social services are not time-limited; however, priority is given to refugees still on AFDC.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,600 per month received cash/medical services (est.)
2,200 per month received social services (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$9,781,582 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 22, Human Resources Code
Federal: Refugee Act of 1980, as amended

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See also: Aid to Families with Dependent Children, and Medicaid--Basic Services (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Federal programs to provide assistance to newly-arrived refugees historically were initiated in response to specific refugee situations, such as Cuban refugees during the early 1960s, Indo-Chinese refugees in the mid-1970s. These programs were consolidated into a single, on-going federal program in 1980.

Currently, Texas has the second largest refugee population in the nation; California is first.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides services to meet the special education needs of refugee children who are enrolled in public and non-profit private elementary and secondary schools. Supplemental education services are provided in areas of assessment, bilingual education, English as a Second Language programs, special materials and supplies, and other remedial programs.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) allocates the federal program funds to school districts with eligible children through a grant application process.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Participating children must be in need of transition services in order to adjust to American schools and society.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 5,109 children (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$1,208,089 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Immigration and Nationality Act, Public Law 96-212

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: 1) ECIA - Migrant Education, 2) ESEA, Title VII - Bilingual Education, 3) Bilingual Education, Foundation School Program, and 4) Summer School, Foundation School Program (TEA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Transition Program for Refugee Children was enacted in 1979. In 1984 TEA found that 595 school districts provided special programs to 7,554 refugee children.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Eligible deaf students receive a basic instructional program suitable to his/her educational needs and are provided with the opportunity for achievement more equal to their peers with normal hearing. Funding provides: supplemental instructional services; parent counseling and training; special diagnostics; special media, materials, and equipment; and staff development.

DELIVERY METHOD

Local school districts make applications to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for funds to meet identified priorities of the local programs, based on standards established by TEA. Applications are then negotiated and become contracts.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students are deaf or hearing impaired and meet other specific criteria outlined in Section 89.211 (c) of the State Board of Education Rules.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 3,900 students (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$27,000,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 16.002 and 11.10, Texas Education Code.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Students that cannot be adequately served in Regional Day School for the Deaf and other school district programs can be referred to the Texas School for the Deaf by the student's Admission, Review and Dismissal Committee (ARD) or their parents.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Regional Day School Program for the Deaf is part of the statewide comprehensive special education program (TEA).

Special Education Hotline: 1-800-252-9668

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides residential services that foster academic, social, emotional, spiritual and physical growth for hearing impaired and multi-handicapped students. Provides adequate staffing in the cottages, educational activities on and off-campus; emergency and routine, medical, dental and ophthalmology care; food services, and extended school year services.

DELIVERY METHOD

All services are provided on-campus at the Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) in Austin.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All students who reside on-campus and are enrolled in the education program. Students must be hearing impaired and referred by their home school districts through the Admissions, Review and Dismissal, (ARD) process or by their parents under State Law (S.B. 809).

NUMBER SERVED

Approximately 450 students reside on-campus

FUNDING

State:	96%
Federal:	2%
Independent School district/ Other Funds:	2%
Total FY 86:	\$3,289,313 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.03, Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Education Program/Lower School and Education Program/Upper School (TSD).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of TSD from the State Board of Education. TSD is governed by a

nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment, for each student that is enrolled in TSD, from their home school districts.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29, the board organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSD must comply with all rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual cost per student varies with each program, with the highest costs associated with the multi-handicapped students whose population has been steadily increasing.

RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP)
Texas Department on Aging

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Recruiting and training volunteers; reimbursing volunteers for mileage, meals and other out-of-pocket expenses; and providing supplemental automobile and personal liability insurance. Examples of volunteer activities include tutors, clerical support, receptionists, and drivers in local nursing homes, libraries, hospitals, and senior nutrition centers.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals can participate through 33 local public and non-profit organizations for the state portion of the RSVP program. The Texas Department on Aging (TDoA) contracts with these organizations; federal funds are awarded directly to the same 33 organizations by the federal ACTION agency and do not pass through TDoA.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons 60 years of age and older, regardless of income.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 26,673 volunteers (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$475,000* (est.)

* Approximately \$1,214,753 in federal funds were awarded directly to the 33 volunteer projects in FY 86.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 101.001 et seq, Human Resources Code
Federal: P.L. 93-113

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

RSVP volunteers work for a variety of public and/or non-profit community service organizations, some of which provide services funded under the Local Services program administered by TDoA.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Title II of the federal Domestic Volunteer Service Act authorizes federal funding for local projects to recruit and train older volunteers for community service positions. State general revenue is appropriated to the Texas Department on Aging to help these local projects meet the 30% match required to receive federal funds for the RSVP program.

The federal ACTION agency targets program funding to projects designed to assist low income people and communities throughout the U.S. It is the domestic volunteer counterpart to the Peace Corps.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides balanced nutritious breakfasts for children in schools to help meet minimum daily nutritional requirements.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) uses federal funds to reimburse participating schools on a monthly basis for all breakfasts served to children either at regular price, reduced price or free during the school year. Local School Districts process student applications.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The program is available for students in participating schools. Students qualify for meals based upon their family income and size. The guidelines for eligibility are developed by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 444,191 students (est.)
Approximately 98% of Texas School Districts participate.

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: ~~\$49,828,134 (est.)~~
\$51,783,817 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Child Nutrition Act, 1966, as amended, Public Law 90-302

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For private schools, institutions, and summer camps the Department of Human Services administers the National School Lunch and Breakfasts programs and the Special Milk Program.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The School Breakfast Program was created as part of the Federal Child Nutrition Act of 1966. The program is based on the strong correlation between under-nutrition, slow growth rates and decreased learning abilities. The participation among low-income children is relatively high with 86% receiving free or reduced price breakfasts. Federal funding covers start-up, maintenance and expansion of these non-profit programs.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Regular, free and/or reduced priced lunches, are provided to eligible students in participating schools.

DELIVERY METHOD

School districts participating in the National School Lunch Program are reimbursed by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for all nutritionally balanced lunches served to children during the school year. Reimbursement rates are set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The program is available for students in participating schools. Students qualify for meals based upon their family income and size. Guidelines for eligibility are developed by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,660,290 students (est.)
Approximately 98% of Texas School Districts participate.

FUNDING

State: ~~50%~~ 6% (required match)
Federal: 50% 94%

Total FY 85: ~~\$39,251,042~~ (est.)
229,511,613

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: National School Lunch Act of 1946, as amended

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

For private schools, institutions and summer camps, the Texas Department of Human Services administers the National School Lunch and Breakfasts Programs and the Special Milk Program.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The National School Lunch Program was created by the National School Lunch Act of 1946. The program was restructured in 1962 to provide free and reduced meals to school children who could not afford the full price of lunches. In 1983, approximately 35% of the total Texas school population was in need of this program.

SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST PROGRAMS
Texas Department of Human Services

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Free and reduced-price breakfasts, lunches, and snacks that meet nutritional standards are served to eligible children in private schools, and residential child care institutions.

DELIVERY METHODS

TDHS contracts with 241 qualified organizations, including private schools and residential child care institutions, to provide meals throughout the State. Eligibility for free or reduced-price meals is determined by the participating schools and institutions. TDHS reimburses providers for the number of meals served.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Children who meet financial eligibility and are high school age or younger, or under 21 if they are in a residential facility. Financial eligibility is based on federal poverty guidelines for family size and income. (For a family of three, free meals are available to children whose family income is between \$0 and \$11,856 and reduced-price meals to children whose family income is more than \$11,856 but less than \$16,872).

Eligible contractors include private nonprofit tax-exempt schools with average yearly tuition of no more than \$1500 and public or private nonprofit tax-exempt residential child care institutions which are located in a single building or complex.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 29,000 children served meals each day (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

FY 86 Total: \$6.5 million

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: National School Lunch Act, as amended
Child Nutrition Act, as amended
Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981
Civil Rights Act of 1984, Title VI

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See School Lunch and School Breakfast programs (TEA) for information on free and reduced-price meals to children in public schools. Families eligible for these services may also be eligible for Food Stamps (TDHS). See Child Care Food Program for information on meals served to children in day care centers.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The National School Lunch and Breakfast programs are 100% federally funded. Federal efforts to improve the nutritional status of low-income school-age children initially began with the National School Lunch Act of 1946. In Texas, the Texas Education Agency administers these programs in the public schools, and TDHS administers the programs for private schools and residential child care institutions.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Part-time employment and job training. Employment opportunities are in community service positions such as: tutors, librarians, van drivers, teacher aides, counselors, and state agency support staff. Employment may also involve museum renovation, school remodeling, courthouse improvement and park beautification. Placement is made in both subsidized and non-subsidized positions.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Texas Department on Aging (TDoA) contracts with the Farmer's Union Community Development Association (FUCDA) for the operation of this program statewide. The FUCDA has working agreements with over 300 sponsors and agencies to provide employment opportunities and job training. Salaries for subsidized positions are paid almost entirely with federal funds.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons 55 years of age or older whose incomes are within 125% of current federal poverty guidelines. (Maximum income for an individual is currently \$6,700/year)

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,000 STEP employees (est.)

FUNDING

State: 15% (state match required)
Federal: 85%

Total FY 86: \$3,974,801 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 101.001, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title V of the Older Americans Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Many STEP participants serve in positions which are integral to the delivery of Title III Local Services such as driving vans and cooking for senior nutrition centers. Additionally, the Texas Attorney General's Office, the Texas Commission for the Blind, the Texas Commission for the Deaf and TDoA employ STEP workers.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Under Title V of the Older Americans Act, federal funds are made available for part-time employment and training opportunities for low-income persons age 55 and older.

The Title V employment program (STEP) has an annual goal of placing 20% in unsubsidized positions.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Comprehensive educational services are provided to students who are severely handicapped and/or deaf/blind through instructional and residential programs.

DELIVERY METHOD

Students are taught through a team approach in the following areas: physical/motor development, pre-vocational and work skills training, social-emotional development, communication, functional academics, cognition and functional living skills, and orientation-mobility skills. Family participation in program planning is stressed. This includes in-service training, home visits and school observation.

The Texas School for the Blind (TSB) is located in Austin.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be blind or deaf/blind and require more intensive instruction and a lower adult/pupil ratio. These students are the most severely impaired students enrolled in the school. Age: 6 - 21 years. Students are accepted to the TSB after the Admission, Review and Dismissal Committees (ARD) in the students' home school districts determine that their educational needs cannot be met.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 44 students

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$547,401 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.06, Texas Education Code.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Severely Handicapped Residential Program, Deaf/Blind Instructional and Residential Programs, (TSB).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of the TSB from the State Board of Education. TSB is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment from their home school districts for each student enrolled in TSB. This has had the effect of decreasing the number of referrals to TSB from local school districts.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29, the board organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSB must comply with all rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual costs per student varies by program, with the highest costs associated with the multi-handicapped students, whose population has been steadily increasing.

There are on campus dormitories and day student facilities available. A staff/student ratio of 1:3 is necessary to make any progress in the student's development for this program.

Information Hotline: 1-800-TSB-KARE

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Severely handicapped children receive direct child care and instruction in a safe and supportive living environment during non-school hours. A low staff/student ratio allows proper daily care and increases the students' functioning and independence. Resident staff provide for the students' social and recreational needs, maintain student possessions and supplies, contact parents or guardians, and perform light housekeeping duties.

DELIVERY METHOD

Each student's instructional program is planned, implemented and evaluated utilizing a team approach consisting of residential, day-educational, and related services staff. Appropriate staff review and upgrade each child's individual program at Admission, Review, and Dismissal (ARD) meetings and weekly team meetings.

The Texas School for the Blind (TSB) is located in Austin.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students enrolled at TSB who have one or more additional disabilities that require more intensive instruction. Students are accepted to the TSB after the Admission, Review, and Dismissal Committees (ARD) in the students' home school districts determine that their educational needs cannot be met.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 26 students

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$191,810 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Section 11.06, Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see: Severely Handicapped Instruction, Deaf/Blind Instructional Program (TSB).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of the TSB from the State Board of Education. TSB is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment from their home school districts for each student enrolled in TSB. This has had the effect of decreasing the number of referrals to TSB from local school districts.

Information Hotline: 1-800-TSB-KARE

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The primary focus of the program is on syphilis and gonorrhea, especially screening of females for infection. Screening, diagnosis and treatment; disease intervention by surveillance and follow-up of positive-tested individuals; education of high-risk groups; laboratory testing and some distribution of drugs; maintenance of information on all cases of venereal diseases; and AIDS education and counseling.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive services through TDH public health clinics and through contracts and grants with local public health departments.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

No age or income requirements.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 425,000 persons were screened;
250,000 received treatment; and
200,000 received educational services (est.).

FUNDING

State: 34.3%
Federal: 65.7% (Communicable Disease Control grant)

Total FY 86: \$3,748,930 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4445d, V.T.C.S.; Texas Venereal Disease Act
Federal: Public Law 93-348

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Community Health Services and Public Health Services.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Sexually Transmitted Disease Control program (formerly the Venereal Disease Control program) was established in 1936 to control the rapid spread of sexually transmitted diseases in the state. State law requires all cases of venereal disease to be reported to the department. Approximately 16% of all syphilis cases and 7% of all gonorrhea cases reported nationwide are in Texas. State statutes also require that newborn infants be treated with appropriate eye medications to prevent blindness caused by gonorrhea. Congenital syphilis can cause mental retardation, deafness, other disabilities, and death.

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY INSURANCE (SSDI)
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

SERVICES DESCRIPTION

Monthly cash benefits. Amount is based on an individual's work history, age at the time of disability, payroll tax contributions and number of eligible family members. Benefits may be reduced by amount of any private disability insurance benefits.

In Texas, the average monthly SSDI benefit is \$467 for an individual. The maximum SSDI benefit is \$960 for an individual, and \$1,440 for a family.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals who qualify receive SSDI checks by mail. Application for benefits is made at local Social Security offices throughout Texas.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Disabled workers under 65 who have sufficiently contributed to the Social Security fund and who have been determined unable to engage in any "substantial gainful activity" (SGA) due to physical or mental impairment lasting at least 12 months. Certain family members may also be eligible for supplemental benefits; their benefits are added to the disabled worker's monthly check.

NUMBER SERVED

As of December 1985, 117,921 disabled workers and 62,565 of their dependents received SSDI benefits in Texas (total: 174,486 Texans).

In the U.S., an average of 3.9 million people received monthly SSDI benefits.

FUNDING

Social Security disability insurance payroll taxes are deducted from workers' paychecks and placed in the SSDI Trust Fund.

Total FFY 85: \$63.8 million in Texas
 \$19.6 billion in U.S.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Social Security Act, as amended.
 42 USC, Section 420-425

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) provides financial aid to low income aged and/or disabled persons who do not qualify for Social Security Disability Insurance, or whose SSDI income is still below SSI eligibility levels.

After 24 months of SSDI, recipients can receive Medicare. They may possibly be eligible for Medicaid (see Medicaid--Basic Services, Long Term Institutional Care/TDHS). At age 65, SSDI benefits are automatically stopped, and Social Security Retirement benefits of the same amount automatically begin.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Social Security Act was amended in 1956 to include the SSDI Program.

For specific information, please refer to the United States section of the Blue Pages in your local phone book under Health and Human Services.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Monthly cash benefits for retired workers and eligible family members. Benefit amounts vary according to individuals' contributions (based on their income) averaged over a period of years in employment. In Texas, the average monthly Social Security benefit is \$488. The maximum benefit for a worker who retires at age 65 is \$770; the maximum benefit for a couple is \$833.

DELIVERY METHOD

This is a completely federal program administered through local Social Security offices across Texas and the U.S.

Persons must be 65 years of age and have paid Social Security payroll taxes for a sufficient period of years of employment. Early retirement at age 62 is allowed, but benefit amounts are reduced. Certain family members (i.e., spouses, widows, children) who meet specific eligibility criteria may also receive Social Security benefits.

The Social Security Administration issues tables that show persons how to determine their eligibility and the extent of their benefits.

NUMBER SERVED

As of December 1985, 1,949,233 people received Social Security benefits in Texas.

Approximately 26.7 million Americans received monthly benefits in 1986.

FUNDING

Social Security payroll taxes are deducted from workers' paychecks and placed in the Social Security Trust Fund. Contributions from presently employed workers finance the benefits that are paid for that year.

Total FY 85: \$7.3 billion in Texas
 \$130.0 billion in U.S.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: 42 USC, Section 403-431; 20 CFR Section 404 et. seq.
 Title II, Social Security Act of 1935, as amended.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Social Security beneficiaries are automatically eligible (but must apply) for Medicare if they are over 65. They may also be eligible for SSI and Medicaid if they meet income and resource tests (see SSI and Medicaid--Basic Services).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Social Security is the basic national retirement insurance program established by Congress in 1935. Automatic cost-of-living adjustments were added in 1972. The program was created to supplement private pension plans and to guarantee that all older Americans would have some retirement income.

For specific information on Social Security, please see the United States section of the Blue Pages in your local phone book under Social Security.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Special education services are provided to handicapped students in their schools based on their needs. Funds are used to pay for salary costs of special education personnel, special materials and equipment, related services, consultant services, student evaluation services, personnel travel, and education costs for students contracted for day or residential placements to approved non-public schools.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are available primarily through local school districts and special education cooperatives supplemented by services from the Regional Education Service Centers. A special education allotment from the Foundation School Program is provided to local school districts based on contact hour/full-time equivalents of special education service by instructional arrangements.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students served are eligible handicapped students from age 3 through 21 who meet the criteria outlined in Section 89.211 of the State Board of Education Rules.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 370,000 students (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100 %

Total FY 86: \$494,807,467

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Sections 21.501, 21.502, 21.503, 21.504, 21.505 and 21.506,
Texas Education Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Services provided by this program may be supplemented by other programs administered by TEA. Please see: Visually Handicapped--Statewide Program, Visually Handicapped Services, Regional Services for the Deaf, Education Consolidation and Improvement Act - Chapter 1 Handicapped, and Education of the Handicapped Act, Part B & C, (TEA).

Funding from the Special Education program and the Education of the Handicapped-Part B program are used together with local school district funding to provide Residential Care for children. Several other agencies serve troubled youth by contracting with privately-operated facilities for residential care.

Please see: Child Protective Services (TDHS); State Aid to Counties (TJPC); Mental Health--Contracted Services (TDMHMR); and Community Services (TYC).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Students served by this program have a range of handicapping conditions which may include one or more of the following: blindness, deafness, mobility disabilities, mental retardation, emotional disturbed, autism and learning disabilities.

Special Education Hotline: 1-800-252-9668

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provision of milk to eligible children in private non-profit schools, non-profit child care facilities, summer camps, settlement houses and other non-profit child care institutions.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS contracts with qualified organizations that provide care to eligible children. The contractors are reimbursed by TDHS for milk served. Currently there are 81 contracting organizations.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Children whose family size and income fall below 100% of established federal poverty guidelines. Additionally, the person must be under 21 years of age if in school or in a residential child care institution, or under 19 years of age in summer camp or nonresidential child care facility.

Eligible providers are private, non-profit, tax-exempt schools with average tuitions of no more than \$1500 or public or private nonprofit tax-exempt child care facilities and summer camps which do not participate in the National School Lunch, School Breakfast, Summer Food Service or Child Care Food Program.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 94,000 $\frac{1}{2}$ pints of milk are served each day (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$110,588 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Public Law 83-690
National School Lunch Act, as amended
Child Nutrition Act, as amended
Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981
Civil Rights Act of 1984, Title VI

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Facilities that participate in the School Lunch and Breakfast Programs, Child Care Food Program, or Summer Food Program (TDHS) are not eligible for the Special Milk Program because milk is already provided as a part of the other programs. Milk served to children in public schools is a part of the School Lunch and School Breakfast programs administered by TEA.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Special Milk Program was originally authorized in the 1950s as a means of reducing dairy surpluses and providing extra or supplemental milk to school children. Today, participation is limited to those schools and child care facilities which have no other food service program.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provides federally- and state-mandated services school-wide as required by laws governing special education to handicapped students. These students require services to benefit from the educational and residential programs. Specialists provide direct services to students, and consultative services to staff and parents in the following areas: orientation and mobility, counseling, assessment, behavior management, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and social work services.

DELIVERY METHODS

Professionals provide services at the Texas School for the Blind (TSB) in Austin on an as-needed basis depending on the Individual Education Plan for the student and any problem that arises during the school year.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All students enrolled in the TSB are eligible for the special programs. All students are accepted to the TSB after the Admission, Reviews, and Dismissal Committees (ARD) in the students' home school districts determine that their educational needs cannot be met.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: Approximately 180 students receive special services during the regular school year.

FUNDING

State: 85%
Federal: 15%

Total FY 85: \$642,526 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 11.06, Education Code.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

This service supplements basic instructional and residential services at TSB to students who require additional services as called for in each student's Individual Education Plan. Please refer to all programs at the Texas School for the Blind.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of TSB from the State Board of Education. TSB is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment from their home school districts for each student that is enrolled in TSB. This has had the effect of decreasing the number of referrals to TSB from local school districts.

Under the provisions of Senate Bill 29, the board also organizes and conducts itself in the same manner as an independent school district (ISD). As an ISD, the TSB must comply with all rules, procedures, and accepted practices governing the operation of schools in the state.

The actual costs per student varies by program. The highest costs are associated with the multi-handicapped students, whose population has been steadily increasing.

Information Hotline: 1-800-TSB-KARE

SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC)
Texas Department of Health

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Provision of specific food items such as cheese, milk, cereal, juice, eggs, formula and other infant foods; clinical screening; and nutrition education.

DELIVERY METHOD

The department contracts with 66 local health agencies to issue vouchers to eligible clients. The clients use the vouchers to purchase the authorized food items at participating grocers. The grocers then send the redeemed vouchers to TDH for reimbursement.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Pregnant women, breast-feeding mothers, infants, and children to age 5 who are inadequately nourished and whose incomes are at or below 150% of federal poverty guidelines.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 221,858 persons (est.) at approximately \$492.74/person.

FUNDING

State: 1.8%
Federal: 98.2%

Total FY 86: \$106,772,766

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4414B, V.T.C.S.
Federal: 42 USC 1771 et seq.; PL 95-627

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Some clients of the WIC program may also be eligible for health care services under Medicaid (TDHS), the Maternal and Child Health program, or the Maternal and Infant Health Improvement (MIHIA) program (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

WIC is a federally-created program designed to identify and assist low-income pregnant women, mothers, infants and children who are at special risk with respect to their physical and mental health due to inadequate nutrition and health care. FY 1986 was the first year in which state funds were authorized for WIC. A child not receiving proper nutritional care is at greater risk of needing other services such as Special Education.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Supervision by a local juvenile probation officer; case management; protective services; diagnostic, correctional, educational, medical and counseling services; foster care; residential care; arranging for alcohol and drug treatment services; and other services necessary to divert youth from institutionalization and to prevent delinquent conduct.

DELIVERY METHOD

Youth may be referred to local juvenile probation departments by juvenile judges, parents, school officials, and police departments. Local juvenile probation departments deliver the services directly, contract with public and private non-profit providers, and make arrangements with other resources available in the community. Each county in Texas is served by a local probation department and a juvenile board which sets policies for the local probation departments. Texas Juvenile Probation Commission (TJPC) allocates state aid funds to the county juvenile boards to help fund local probation services.

ELIGIBILITY

Youth who receive TJPC services are 10-17 years of age and have been referred to juvenile probation departments for engaging in delinquent conduct or conduct indicating a need for supervision. Delinquent conduct includes violation of criminal laws or court-ordered probation terms. Conduct indicating a need for supervision (CINS) includes Class C misdemeanors, illegal use of inhalants, DWI, and status offenses (truancy and running away).

All counties are eligible to receive state aid funds. The amount of funding received is based on a 3-part formula which includes a base allocation for each juvenile-age county resident, a population allocation based on the percentage of the State's juvenile-age population who are residents of that county, and a match allocation for new funds the county puts into providing juvenile probation services.

NUMBER SERVED

88,734 youth were referred in calendar year 1985
156 juvenile probation departments, serving all 254 Texas Counties,
received state aid in FY 86

FUNDING

State: 100%*

Total FY 86: \$11,691,479*(est.)

* The state funding comprises approximately 21% of total funding for local juvenile probation departments, with county resources providing approximately 73% and federal funds providing 6%.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5138 - 5142d, V.A.C.S.
Chapter 75, Human Resources Code
Title III, Texas Family Code

Federal: 42 U.S.C. § 5610 et seq; Juvenile Justice and Delinquency
Prevention Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Juvenile probation officers work with several state and local agencies to obtain the necessary services for youth. State programs which serve juveniles include: Institutional and Community Services (TYC); Truant and Runaway Program, Child Protective Services, and Alternate Treatment for Youth (TDHS); and Drug Abuse Services, Community-Based Treatment and Rehabilitation, Primary Prevention and Intervention Services (TCADA). TYC contracts with some local probation departments to provide parole services (Community Services/TYC). TJPC funds may be used to contract for residential services for children.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The TJP Commission was created by the 67th Texas Legislature in 1981 to ensure that juvenile probation services are available statewide and to provide alternatives to the commitment of juveniles to state correctional facilities. TJPC carries out its responsibilities by distributing state funds to county juvenile boards and providing support services to local juvenile probation departments.

TJPC has some discretionary funding which it uses to fund special projects such as establishing programs in border counties to address the problem of delinquency involving illegal alien youth.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Nutritious meals are served to eligible children during the summer months and when schools are closed for other vacations.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS contracts with 32 qualified organizations to serve meals meeting quantitative and nutritional standards to children at 430 sites around the state.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Public or private non-profit, tax-exempt schools, residential summer camps, or units of government sponsoring feeding programs are eligible to receive commodities and/or reimbursement for the number of meals served in areas where at least 50% of children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals under National School Lunch Program eligibility requirements.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1.6 million meals served during the summer months (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

FY 86 Total: \$3.4 million (approx.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: National School Lunch Act, as amended
Child Nutrition Act, as amended
Omnibus Reconciliation Act
Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Other child nutrition programs include: School Lunch and Breakfast Program, Special Milk Program, and Child Care Food Program (TDHS). Some of the providers may also receive commodities under the Commodities--Food Distribution program (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Texas began administering this federal program in 1978.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Students receive intensive bilingual education or special language programs on a voluntary summer basis. Programs must have a student/teacher ratio not exceeding 18/1. Programs are offered for 8-weeks on a half-day basis and cannot substitute for the regular programs offered during the regular term.

DELIVERY METHOD

Students attend summer classes at their local schools. School Districts receive an allocation through the Texas Education Agency (TEA), Foundation School Program.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Children must be of limited English proficiency and eligible for admission to kindergarten or the first grade at the beginning of the next school year, as determined by the local school district and based upon guidelines outlined in the State Board of Education Rules.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 6,650 (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$5,727,942 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Texas Education Code, Section 21.458, pre-school, summer school, and extended time programs.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see 1) Bilingual Education, Foundation School Program, 2) ECIA-Migrant Education, 3) ESEA, Title VII - Bilingual Education and 4) Refugee Children--Transition Program (TEA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1981, Senate Bill 477 called for the establishment of bilingual or special language programs in any school district with an enrollment of twenty or more students of limited English proficiency. This law also called for the establishment of voluntary summer school programs for children of limited English proficiency. Many programs in the Foundation School Program experienced some change in the allocation per student with the enactment of House Bill 72 in 1984.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

24-hour supervised living arrangements in apartment settings, personal care homes, and converted nursing home facilities. Services include meals, protective supervision, assistance with activities of daily living such as bathing, toileting, walking and physical movement, and other personal care needs, social and recreational services, housekeeping and laundry, and transportation.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals access services through local TDHS offices. Eligibility and casework services are performed by TDHS staff. TDHS purchases these services through contracts with licensed public and private providers. The Department of Health is responsible for licensing these facilities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Elderly persons aged 65 and older whose incomes are below 150% of poverty (approximately \$670.20/month) and who need 24-hour supervision and care but not daily nursing services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 570 persons per average month (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$3,143,762 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 22, 31, and 32, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Supervised Living arrangements may be provided also to clients of Adult Protective Services (TDHS). In-Home Services and Out-of-Home Services (TDHS) and Local Services (TDoA) may be provided to clients for whom Supervised Living is not available or appropriate. For information regarding licensing of providers, see Licensing and Certification and Long Term Care (TDH). For information on nursing home care, see Long Term Institutional Care (TDHS).

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Monthly cash assistance payments to persons aged 65 and over and to blind and disabled persons without regard to age, whose income and resources are below specified levels. As of January 1987, the maximum monthly payment for an individual is \$340 and for a couple, \$510. Actual average benefit amounts are significantly lower (est. \$216 per mo.)

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals may apply for benefits at their local Social Security office. The Social Security Administration sends checks directly to beneficiaries or their banks each month.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Individuals must be at least 65 years of age or blind or disabled without regard to age, with demonstrated financial need. As of January 1987, an individual can have no more than \$356 income (from any source) per month after certain exclusions. For couples, combined income may not exceed \$534 per month. There is also a resource test. Financial eligibility is determined by the federal government. Disability determination, if needed, is performed by the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

Redetermination of a person's benefit amount and continuing eligibility is made annually.

NUMBER SERVED

In U.S., approximately 4 million Americans received SSI.

131,733 Texans received SSI In 1985.

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 85: \$322 million in Texas
\$8.5 billion in U.S.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: 42 USCA, Section 1381 et. seq.
20 CFR, Section 416 et. seq.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Eligibility for SSI automatically qualifies an individual for Medicaid (see: Medicaid--Basic Services/TDHS). Clients may also be receiving Social Security retirement benefits, as long as they do not exceed the income limitations for SSI. Clients also qualify for Food Stamps (TDHS) and other assistance programs for low income elderly and disabled persons.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

SSI was created in 1974 to replace three other federal-state programs: Grants to the States for Old Age Assistance, for Aid to the Blind and the Permanently and Totally Disabled.

Federal law allows states to supplement federal SSI benefits through the Social Security Administration. Currently, Texas is one of two states that does not supplement SSI benefits.

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI) DISABLED CHILDREN'S SERVICES
Texas Department of Health

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Case management services for disabled children who receive SSI benefits. Social workers provide an individualized assessment and develop a plan to meet the child's needs with available resources. Services provided directly include diagnostics, counseling, referral, interagency liaison, and follow-up. The program may provide for the purchase of services and adaptive equipment if not available through any other resource.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are delivered to clients through casework staff in each of TDH's ten regional headquarters and through providers from whom TDH purchases services.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All disabled children receiving SSI benefits are eligible. Financial eligibility for SSI is determined by the federal Social Security Administration and requires that an individual have an income of less than \$356 per month. Disability determination for SSI is made by the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

As resources permit, children eligible for other TDH programs may also receive services through this program.

NUMBER SERVED

FY86: 3,000 newly referred children. Approximately 14,000 Texas children are eligible.

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$1,920,109 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: H.B. 20, Acts of the 69th Texas Legislature
Federal: Title V, Social Security Act (Maternal and Child Health Block Grant)

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See Supplemental Security Income (SSI); Crippled Children's Program (TDH); and Medicaid--Basic Services (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

SSI Disabled Children's Services was established by federal law to ensure that disabled children who are recipients of SSI also receive comprehensive medical, social, educational, developmental, and rehabilitative services. Although the program is 100% federally funded, all federal regulations concerning its operation were repealed in the Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981. TDH administers the program through its Crippled Children's Bureau.

TDD PLACEMENT AND MAINTENANCE FOR THE DEAF
Special Services
Texas Commission for the Deaf

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD) have typewriter keyboards which allow messages to be sent over telephone lines by deaf persons. These messages are received by a TDD at the other end and decoded. This message can be displayed on a screen or printed out. TDD's can be used with any telephone, including pay phones.

DELIVERY METHOD

The Commission reviews referrals and applications in order to decide where to place TDDs. Units are placed in emergency response centers to ensure accessibility to life-saving services by deaf and hearing impaired Texans. Some state agencies have TDD units which may be assigned to other entities to ensure maximum use by deaf Texans. Units on inventory are maintained and repaired at the Commission to reduce repair costs and down time. TDD accessible phone numbers are published and distributed to deaf and hearing impaired individuals.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

TDD units are only placed in entities which would benefit deaf or hearing impaired clients. However, no units are placed in households.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 195 units placed
(est.) ~~120 units~~

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$35,919 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Chapter 81, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

TDDs help assist clients in communicating directly with agency programs if the agency they are calling has a TDD, and the clients have one in their home. The Message Relay Program (TCD) is also available for organizations where there is no TDD equipment.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Deaf was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 by the 66th Legislature. On behalf of deaf Texans, the agency works toward several objectives: 1) to implement a statewide advocacy and education program; 2) to provide direct services to the deaf and hearing impaired; and 3) to establish coordination of services offered to the deaf and hearing impaired at the agency level. Many of the Commission's services are offered on a contract basis through 16 Councils on Deafness located throughout the State.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The Teen Parent Initiative (TPI) is a cooperative effort of several state agencies to promote the self-sufficiency of pregnant teens, teen parents, and teens at risk of becoming parents too soon. To facilitate coordination of the initiative, an advisory TPI council was formed with representation from the following agencies: Texas Department of Community Affairs, Texas Department of Health, Texas Department of Human Services, Texas Department of Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Texas Education Agency, Texas Health and Human Services Coordinating Council and Texas Youth Commission. TPI seeks to promote self-sufficiency by fostering the development of comprehensive, community-based initiatives on teen pregnancy and parenthood.

Two pilot projects serve as models for the development of community-based, comprehensive service programs for pregnant and parenting teens. Services include health care, education, job training and employment, family planning, and support services such as day care, counseling, transportation and emergency housing.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDHS contracts with the Urban Affairs Corporation in Houston (Project TEAM) which serves an inner-city area primarily through a single-site delivery model and with the El Paso YWCA (Project Redirection) to serve all of El Paso County through a broker system.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Pregnant or parenting teens in pilot areas.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: Over 1,200 pregnant and parenting teens served in the first pilot year (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$1.2 million

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The pilot projects also use resources such as Job Training Partnership Act funds, grants, and local foundation funds. Please see Employment Services (TDHS) and all Family Planning Services.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

This initiative was started in 1985.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The reservation administers job training programs for tribal members and other Indians in a service area encompassing 121 counties in West Texas. The reservation provides alcohol and substance abuse education and intervention services. Individual and family counseling, emergency health services and health screening, transportation for health and social services and financial assistance for education are available through the reservation. Reservation administration also assists the tribe in the development and management of various economic activities (Tribal Enterprises) and the maintenance of a 113 unit housing facility constructed with the help of the Housing and Urban Development housing program.

DELIVERY METHOD

Eligible individuals receive services through the reservation, located in the El Paso area, or through tribal-run programs in the West Texas service area.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Members of the Tigua Tribe are eligible for all services provided through the reservation. Other Indians who are residents of the service area are eligible for Job Training Partnership Act services and alcohol and substance abuse services offered by the reservation.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 879 (78 from other Indian tribes)

FUNDING

State:	13%
Federal:	44%
Interagency	
Contracts:	1%
Other:	42%

Total FY 86: \$2,585,490 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5421Z, VACS
Federal: Public Law 90-287

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The reservation participates in federal programs such as Headstart, the Community Development Block Grant, Housing and Urban Development's Comprehensive Improvement Assistance Program, and the Department of Agriculture's Commodity Distribution Program. The Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse funds the substance abuse programs on the reservation. Individuals living on the reservation may also receive services through other programs, such as Medicaid or Food Stamps, if they meet the eligibility requirements.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

In 1967, the State accepted "trust responsibility" for the Tigua Indians, which entails that the State help to provide for the health, education, economic status and general welfare of the Tigua people. Currently, state money is used to pay for the administration and fiscal management of all reservation programs.

The median income for Indians residing on the reservation is \$2,670 per year; 49% of all families on the reservation are at or below the federal poverty level. The reservation has an unemployment rate of 18%. At least 393 of the reservation's 879 residents are in need of health care and social services, 265 are without high school diplomas.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Casework services, family crisis intervention counseling, and emergency, short-term shelter designed to reunite families when appropriate and to divert youths from the juvenile justice system.

DELIVERY METHOD

Troubled youth can use the toll free hotline anywhere in our out of State. TDHS purchases services through contracts with 16 local providers across the State.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Runaways and truants between the ages of 10 and 17 and their families. Youth considered "at-risk" of running away may also receive services.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 4,341 youth (est.)

FUNDING

State: Less than 1%
Federal: 99+%

Total FY 86: \$1,879,035 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 2, Texas Family Code
 Chapters 21, 22, 41 and 42, Human Resources Code
Federal: Title XX, Social Security Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Youth are referred for services through a number of sources: schools, families, police, juvenile probation departments, and other community agencies.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

A statewide toll free hotline for runaways is operated out of the Governor's Office. Referral and information may be provided regarding shelter, counseling, and medical and legal services. The hotline number for in-state calls is 1-800-392-3352. For out-of-state calls the number is 1-800-231-6946.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Inpatient and outpatient treatment, preventive therapy, tracking of active cases, and outbreak investigations. Public health services for Hansen's disease (leprosy) and a Hansen's disease registry are also included in this program.

DELIVERY METHOD

Services are delivered in mobile and fixed medical clinics in areas where needs exist. These clinics are staffed by regional, chest hospital, or local physicians and by regional or local health department nurses.

Contracts

may be negotiated with community hospitals to provide services if hospitalization is required and transporting the patient to a state chest hospital is inadvisable.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

No age or income requirements.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 1,480 inpatient days
(est.) 100,000 outpatient clinic visits
11,211 persons "at risk" of T.B. received preventive therapy
2,250 cases of tuberculosis on register
1,060 cases/contacts for Hansen's disease (FY 86, est.)

FUNDING

State: 97%
Federal: 3%

Total FY 86: \$9,070,228 (est.)

STATUTORY INFORMATION

State: Articles 4477-11, 4477-12 and 4419b-1, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

See also Chest Hospitals (TDH).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Tuberculosis Control Program was established in 1965 to oversee the treatment of tuberculosis provided in four state-operated tuberculosis hospitals and to coordinate an extensive program of detection and ambulatory care. Today, hospitalization is required only in the more resistant cases, and effective treatment can be provided through outpatient services.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS
Texas Employment Commission

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Financial assistance payments in the form of unemployment insurance benefits (UIB). Benefit amounts are determined by state law and are based on the individual's previous wage/salary.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals apply for UIB at any of 125 local Texas Employment Commission offices.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Totally or partially unemployed persons who earned qualifying wages from employers subject to the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act. Applicants must be involuntarily unemployed and able to work. They must also be available for and actively seeking work, and they must be registered for work at a state employment office.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 6,185,000 weekly claims (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$30,165,096 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5221b, VACS
Federal: 26 USC 3301 et. seq.
42 USC 501 et. seq.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

May be eligible for Food Stamps (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

TEC provides two kinds of assistance to unemployed persons--assistance in finding employment and financial assistance.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The Veterans Administration offers a wide variety of services to veterans, including home health care; in-patient hospital care; out-patient services; prescriptions; physical, vocational and social rehabilitation; nursing home care; adaptive equipment for disabled veterans; survivor benefits; insurance; pensions for disabled veterans; specially adapted housing; educational assistance, home loans, job training and insurance.

DELIVERY METHOD

This is a totally federal program.

Veterans may receive information on services through regional Veterans Administration offices located in Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, San Antonio and Waco.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Eligibility varies from service to service in terms of age, specific disability and term of military service. All recipients must be veterans of the armed forces or dependents of a veteran.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 84: 28,027 Veterans in U.S.
FY 84: 1,734 Veterans in Texas

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

In some cases, veterans are asked to contribute toward the cost of services or benefits.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

For more specific information, please see the United States section of the Blue Pages in the local phone book, or call 1-800-792-3271.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

- o Routine inspection during the slaughtering and processing stages;
- o Inspection of the facilities and procedures of meat and poultry producing plants;
- o Examination of finished products;
- o Periodic review of other meat handling firms;
- o Surveillance and investigation of zoonotic incidents to locate sources of disease and develop immediate and long-range controls; and
- o Health education and public awareness activities.

DELIVERY METHOD

TDH teams of professionals conduct on-site inspections and reviews statewide.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

None.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 531 firms inspected
(est.) 147 plants inspected
7,105 surveillances
8,119 hours of epidemiological investigation
8,835 hours of health education
18,420 hours of special projects

Additionally, 283.5 million pounds of processed meats were inspected and 151.5 million pounds of animals were inspected at slaughter.

FUNDING

State: 56.4%
Federal: 43.6

Total FY 86: \$7,733,028 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Articles 4414b, 4418a&b, 4476-7, 4477v, and 4477-6
Federal: Public Laws 91-342 and 90-201; Federal Meat Inspection Act

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Under the Consumer Health Protection program, TDH inspects other products such as milk, shellfish, and certain pharmaceuticals.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The purpose of the Veterinary Public Health program is to ensure that consumers receive clean, wholesome, and properly labeled meat and meat food products from disease-free animals; to ensure that dead animals and inedible materials are disposed of in a safe and effective manner; and to control and reduce occurrences of diseases which are inter-transmissible between animals and humans.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The purpose of the Vision, Speech, and Hearing program is to detect handicaps in pre-school and school-age children and to obtain evaluation and treatment services if needed. Services include:

- o vision, speech, and hearing screening, follow-up, and monitoring;
- o purchase of hearing aids and provision of hearing aids on a loan basis;
- o loaning audiometers to screen children for hearing impairments;
- o training screening personnel;
- o analyzing services to measure the effectiveness of vision, speech, and hearing activities.

DELIVERY METHOD

Screening activities are performed by TDH field staff in public health clinics and by TDH-trained personnel in schools and day care facilities. TDH also contracts with speech and hearing centers across the state. Some screening services may be provided periodically by non-profit organizations using TDH-loaned audiometric equipment.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Children between the ages of 0 and 21 whose family income is at or below 150% of poverty (a family of three may earn no more than \$13,680 per year.) Hearing aids are loaned only to those children who are medically indigent or Medicaid eligible.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 2,000,000 children screened for vision problems
(est.) 1,700,000 children screened for hearing impairments
 807 received hearing aids on loan
 938 audiometers inspected
 5,177 children screened in the speech/language testing program

TDH estimates that screening services reach between 20-28% of the children eligible for services each year.

FUNDING

State: 77%
Federal & Other: 23% (Maternal and Child Health Block Grant and
interagency contract with TDHS)
Total FY 86: \$1,109,330 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4419g, V.T.C.S. (Special Senses and Communication Disorders Act)
Federal: Title V, Social Security Act; P.L. 97-35
Maternal and Child Health Block Grant

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

TDHS provides funds to TDH through an interagency contract to provide hearing aid services and appliances to Medicaid-eligible children (see Medicaid--Basic Services). Medical and dental screenings are provided to Medicaid eligible children under the EPSDT program (TDHS). See also Early Childhood Intervention and Public Health Regions (TDH) for other screening services for children.

VISUALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN (VHC)

Special Services
Texas Commission for the Blind

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Funding is used to provide services which would primarily prevent blindness, restore vision, reduce dependency, or prepare the child for enhanced vocational success. Emphasis is placed on those services which could restore vision or assist parents.

DELIVERY METHOD

Thirty-six caseworkers throughout the state provide or arrange for the following services: sight preservation/restoration; adaptive aids and appliances; educational support; resource development for the family; pre-vocational information; counseling and guidance for the clients and their families; diagnostic tests and evaluations; and information and referral.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Blind and visually impaired children who are not eligible for federally funded vocational rehabilitation services provided by the agency.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 6,990 children ages 0 to 21 are expected to receive services. (est.) Of that, 2,810 children will receive preventive services, such as cataract surgery, and attachment of detached retinas.

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$2,054,688 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 5, Human Resources Code

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Every effort is made to use funding from other programs when appropriate. See SSI, SSDI, Medicaid (TDHS), and the Crippled Children's Program (TDH).

VHC staff also work with the local school district Special Education Staff to assist in developing the student's educational program.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Blind was created in 1931 and went through the Sunset Review process before the 69th Legislative Session. The basic objectives for services are: 1) attainment of greatest work potential; 2) sight preservation/restoration; and 3) independent living.

The VHC caseworkers continually seek out and use private insurance benefits and funding from private groups such as fraternal groups, local non-profit organizations, and donated services from the community. In FY 1985, approximately \$880,000 from these sources were used to assist in providing services to children.

This program consistently maintains a waiting list of children in need of services, without which they may lose sight in one or both eyes.

Additionally, the provision of services to pre-school and school-age children increases the child's independence and success in the school setting, thus minimizing both special education costs to the local school district and future vocational rehabilitation costs to the state.

Toll Free Service Information: 1-800-252-5204

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Services include: 1) the review of applications for state funding by school districts and regional education services centers to provide education services adapted for visually handicapped students; 2) the evaluation of special education services for the visually handicapped; 3) the maintenance of a system of registration of visually handicapped students; 4) the development of standards and guidelines for special education services for the visually handicapped; 5) the provision of consultation and technical assistance to programs serving the visually handicapped; and 6) the maintenance of effective liaison with other agencies and service providers involved with services to visually handicapped students.

DELIVERY METHOD

Students receive these special services in their local schools. Texas Education Agency (TEA) staff work directly with local school districts in evaluating programs, developing standards and guidelines, providing technical assistance and keeping a registry of visually handicapped students. Funding is based on the needs of the districts programs.

A section of the division of Special Education Funding (Services for the Visually Handicapped) is primarily responsible for the ongoing development and administration of comprehensive statewide services for the education of visually handicapped students, as assigned by law.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be legally blind and age 0 through 21.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 4,300 students across the State (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$6,000,000 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Sections 11.052, 11.102, and 21.503, Texas Education Code.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

This program provides funding which is supplementary to the Special Education Program, the Education of the Handicapped Act-Part B funds, and Visually Handicapped--Statewide Program. The ECI program (TDH) provides similar services to developmentally disabled children.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Special Education Hotline: 1-800-252-9668

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Funding supports: 1) existing programs, to expand direct and supportive services for visually handicapped students which are not available through use of other funds; 2) development of special cooperatives formed specifically to meet the educational and related service needs of visually handicapped students; 3) programs for visually handicapped infants; and 4) minimum components of services for the visually handicapped in each education service center to provide direct services and technical assistance as needed. Specific types of activities include: supplemental instructional services; orientation and mobility training; parent counseling and training; special diagnostics; other special related services; special media, materials, and equipment; staff development and other supplemental services.

DELIVERY METHOD

Students receive services in their local schools. Local school districts and Regional Education Service Centers may apply for state supplemental funding aid for special services to visually handicapped students. Funding does not supplant existing other funds or programs and is allocated by the Texas Education Agency (TEA).

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students served must be visually handicapped students from age 0 - 21, who meet eligibility criteria for the visually handicapped as outlined in Section 89.211 (d) of the State Board of Education Rules. Funding to districts is on a need/application basis rather than formula allocation.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 4,300 students (est.)

FUNDING

State: 100%

Total FY 86: \$6,673,820

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Sections 11.102 and 11.052, Texas Education Code.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

This program provides services supplemental to those provided by the Special Education Program and the Education of the Handicapped Act-Part B (TEA).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

Special Education Hotline: 1-800-252-9668

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

The Texas Department of Health is the state agency responsible for registering all births, deaths, marriages, and divorces in Texas.

TDH also issues certified copies of birth and death records; files amendments to complete or correct records; files new birth records based upon adoptions, legitimations, and paternity determinations; files delayed records of birth; codes geographic, demographic, and medical data in vital records; develops, analyzes, interprets, and disseminates statistical and medical data contained in vital records; participates in medical research; provides information to other governmental agencies and the private sector; and provides statistical consultation and assistance.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals can get copies of records from the county where the action took place or certified copies from the TDH Bureau of Vital Statistics in Austin. Fees are collected for certified copies of birth and death records and for other record services.

ELIGIBILITY

None. Applicants must make proper request for records.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 751,000 Birth, death, marriage and divorce records
(est.) 252,000 Certifications and verifications of vital statistics
54,000 Applications to amend records and to file delayed records

FUNDING

State: 37.2%
Federal: 3.2%
Other: 59.6% (fees)

Total FY 86: \$2,228,013 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 4477, V.T.C.S.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Statistical data contained in vital records may be used by various other TDH programs, including Epidemiology, Environmental Health and Consumer Health Services. It is also a major source of information used in state health planning.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Vocational education programs in public secondary and post-secondary institutions (e.g. junior colleges, community colleges) which are targeted to the needs, interests and abilities of the participating students, and are based on actual and anticipated opportunities for employment.

DELIVERY METHOD:

Students attend these classes in local programs. Federal funds received by the State are suballocated to local programs based on their needs. Programs are developed, maintained and improved as provided by the Texas State Plan for Vocational Education.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students must be enrolled in a secondary (grades 7-12) or post secondary vocational education program.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 508,928 students in secondary programs; 500,332 students in post-secondary programs (est.)

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$44,607,714

STATUTORY REFERENCE

Federal: Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act of 1984, Public Law 94-524; 20 U.S.C. 2331 to 2342.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Funding for vocational education is also provided through the Foundation School program.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The federal Vocational Education Act of 1963, expired in 1984 and was replaced by the Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act of 1984. It is administered by the Office of Vocational and Adult Education, U.S. Department of Education. Ninety-seven percent of funds authorized under the act are designated for state grants, with 2% reserved for national programs. From its grant, each state must spend 43% for Vocational Education program improvement, innovation and expansion. The other 57% must be spent for vocational education programs for special populations and activities.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Students receive: 1) vocational assessment; 2) pre-skill training; 3) career awareness, exploration, and work experiences on and off campus; 4) basic vocational training; and 5) vocational/career guidance for secondary students in cooperation with the Texas Commission for the Blind (TCB). Classes emphasize satisfactory work behaviors, social skills, and work attitudes.

Older students are provided on and off campus job experiences in which they are paid a prorated amount of the minimum wage as determined by their work rate relative to the average "normal" work rate. Vocational awareness and exploration involves classroom instruction and off-campus field trips and guest lectures. Each student is given a comprehensive and ongoing vocational assessment in which strengths and weaknesses are determined.

This program provides training in tool use, woodworking, bike repair, small engines mechanics, assembly and manufacturing, food service, laundry, canteen/small business enterprises, horticulture, chair caning and crafts. Graduates of the program often receive further training at the Criss Cole Rehabilitation Center (TCB).

DELIVERY METHOD

As part of the development of the Individualized Education Plan, specialists evaluate students for neuromuscular and intellectual development, maturity, physical abilities, prior experiences and interests. Students are then placed in one of five program levels. Step-by-step instructions help students learn to follow verbal directions, to complete tasks, and to cooperate with co-workers. Elementary and deaf/blind children begin with simple hand coordination skills while learning to pay attention to the instructor and finish assignments.

The Texas School for the Blind (TSB) is located in Austin.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Student must be enrolled in the TSB.
Age: 13-21 years.

Each student in the Vocational Instruction Program has been referred to the TSB by the Admissions, Review and Dismissal Committee of their home school districts.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: Approximately 55 students were served in the Vocational Program.

FUNDING

State: 64%
Federal: 36%

Total FY 85: \$266,223 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 11.06, Texas Education Code.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Students in this program often continue the training in the Criss Cole Comprehensive Rehabilitation Center (TCB). Their vocational training allows them to require less intensive services at the Center.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The passage of Senate Bill 29, 67th Legislature, separated the administration of TSB from the State Board of Education. TSB is governed by a nine-member board appointed by the Governor. Enactment of House Bill 1593 (1985) provided that the Texas Education Agency withhold an allotment from their home school districts for each student enrolled in TSB. This has had the effect of decreasing the number of referrals to TSB from local school districts.

This program is nationally recognized and the only program of its kind for visually handicapped students in Texas.

Information Hotline: 1-800-TSB-KARE

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (VR)

Rehabilitation Services
Texas Commission For The Blind

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Vocational counseling, family counseling, adjustment counseling, employment services, medical and vocational evaluations, surgery and appliances to restore vision, and vocational training. Specialty services unique to blindness include orientation and mobility training, communication (Braille, large print, etc.), and highly technical rehabilitation engineering.

DELIVERY METHODS

Public awareness, direct client services, coordination with other agencies, and arrangement of purchased services are the most important activities in Vocational Rehabilitation. The agency's statewide network of staff make Vocational Rehabilitation services available to legally blind, severely visually handicapped and deaf/blind individuals in the prime vocational age range throughout Texas.

The TCB uses two internal activities to assist the Counselors in providing services to the blind and visually impaired. The Career Development Unit works specifically in the area of employment services and uses a marketing approach combined with special rehabilitation engineering techniques to enhance the employability of blind clients. Rehabilitation Teachers support the basic Vocational Rehabilitation Program by providing training in many of the compensatory skills training areas in the clients' home environments on an individual basis throughout the state.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Potential clients must meet two criteria: 1) the presence of a physical or mental disability (including a visual condition) which is a substantial handicap to employment; and, 2) a reasonable expectation that vocational rehabilitation services will benefit the individual in terms of employability.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 9,800 (est.) out of 21,900 visually handicapped individuals who are in need of vocational rehabilitation services in Texas.

FUNDING

State: 20% (required match)
Federal: 80%

Total FY 86: \$12,932,876 (est.)
Approximately \$700,000 of this amount was earned federal funds.

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Title 5, Human Resources Code
Federal: Public Law 98-221, Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

The Criss Cole Rehabilitation Center is a support function of the Vocational Rehabilitation program and is funded with state general revenue and federal vocational rehabilitation funds. It provides all the necessary compensatory skills training to allow blind individuals to function as independently as possible (see comprehensive Rehabilitation Center /TCB).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The Commission for the Blind was created in 1931 and went through the Sunset Review process for the 69th Legislative Session. The basic objectives for services are: 1) attainment of greatest work potential; 2) sight preservation/restoration; and 3) independent living.

Vocational Rehabilitation counselors also use facilities such as Lighthouses for the Blind and Goodwill organizations for evaluation and training of clients. In 1986, TCB had contracts with ten facilities for core rehabilitation services (vocational evaluation, work adjustment, on-the-job training and orientation and mobility).

Since 1979, this program has reduced caseload carrying personnel (80 VR counselors in 1979, 61 VR counselors in 1985) while the percentage of severely disabled served went from 66.3% to 83% .

Toll Free Services Information: 1-800-252-5204

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES
Texas Rehabilitation Commission

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Services include: evaluations to determine vocational, educational, medical, and psychological status and needs; vocationally necessary medical treatment; training in trade schools, business schools, colleges, rehabilitation centers and halfway houses; deaf interpreter services; job placement and assistance to employers in modifying jobs for the disabled; and devices such as wheel chairs, artificial limbs, or braces to improve functioning on the job.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals receive counseling and evaluations from the Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC) counselors in 113 offices throughout Texas. In some instances medical or psychological evaluations may be purchased from professionals if existing records are insufficient. Arrangements are made by TRC for vocationally necessary medical treatment and payment is made by the agency only when there is no other resource. Other vocational services are delivered through trade schools, business schools, colleges, rehabilitation centers, halfway houses and other public and private service providers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Persons must have a physical or mental disability that results in a substantial handicap to employment, and there must be a reasonable expectation that vocational rehabilitation will result in gainful employment. For certain services, financial criteria also may be applied.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 68,000 (est.) TRC reports that the agency serves 4% of the estimated disabled population in the State.

FUNDING

State: 31%
Federal: 69%

Total FY 86: \$65,587,805 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Sec. 111.01 et seq., Human Resources Code
Federal: 29 USC 701 et seq., Rehabilitation Act of 1973

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

TRC coordinates services in the field with several state agencies that have programs often needed by TRC clients. Some examples include: Kidney Health Services (TDH), Client Managed Attendant Care (TDHS), Adult Education (TEA), Vocational Rehabilitation Services (TCB) and many others. TRC receives referrals from, makes referrals to, and coordinates with these other agencies to ensure that clients get the services they need.

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

This joint federal-state program was established in Texas in 1929 to assist disabled and vocationally handicapped individuals to enter or return to employment. The primary emphasis is on rehabilitation of persons with severe disabilities. In 1985, Texas ranked first in the nation in the number of persons rehabilitated per TRC counselor and second in the total number of persons who were successfully rehabilitated.

This program serves persons with cardiac, renal and respiratory conditions, deaf and hearing-impaired persons, persons with musculo-skeletal disabilities, mentally and emotionally disabled persons, mentally retarded and other mentally impaired individuals, persons with alcohol and drug dependencies, and persons with arthritis, cancer, diabetes or other physical disabilities. Persons with visual impairments are served through the Commission for the Blind.

SERVICE DESCRIPTION

WIN recipients receive: (1) counseling and guidance to assist individuals in identifying vocational interest, aptitudes, goals, skills, and work experience and (2) assistance in obtaining job listings from employers for job referral applicants. The Texas Employment Commission (TEC) staff verify that applicants entered work, and because the first ten weeks of employment are often critical to job retention, staff make follow-up contacts during this period to assist as needed.

DELIVERY METHOD

Individuals are referred by the Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS) to TEC local offices in the 62 counties under contract to TDHS.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Unemployed recipients of Aid to Families with Dependent Children, who are in a county served by a WIN project, are required to register for this program. Persons with children under age six are not required to register for WIN.

NUMBER SERVED

FY 86: 34,455 persons registered for WIN
(est.) 6,847 persons placed in unsubsidized jobs
5,819 persons retained their jobs for at least 30 days

FUNDING

Federal: 100%

Total FY 86: \$2,616,406 (est.)

STATUTORY REFERENCE

State: Article 5221b, VACS
Federal: 42 USC 630 et seq.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PROGRAMS/SERVICES

Please see Aid to Families with Dependent Children, and Employment Services (TDHS).

BACKGROUND/OTHER INFORMATION

The number of AFDC clients served and the funding for WIN are included in the figures shown for Employment Services (TDHS).



APPENDICIES

FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL INCOME GUIDELINES¹
FOR THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

Family Size	1986 ² Actual	1987 ³ Projected	1988	1989	1990
1	\$ 5,360	\$ 5,620	\$ 5,880	\$ 6,120	\$ 6,430
2	7,240	7,580	7,920	8,280	8,670
3	9,120	9,540	9,960	10,440	10,910
4	11,000	11,500	12,000	12,600	13,150
5	12,880	13,460	14,040	14,760	15,390
6	14,760	15,420	16,080	16,920	17,630
For families with more than 6 members, add for each additional member:					
	1986 - \$1,880		1989 - \$2,160		
	1987 - \$1,960		1990 - \$2,240		
	1988 - \$2,040				
<p>1/ Figures in chart are for 100% of the federal poverty level. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services updates the guidelines in January of each year.</p> <p>2/ U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, <u>Federal Register</u>, Rules and Regulations, February 11, 1986.</p> <p>3/ Projected poverty guidelines by Chase Econometrics, <u>U.S. Macroeconomic Long-Term Forecasts</u>, Third Quarter 1985, Moderate Growth Scenario. 1987 figures will be issued in January, 1987.</p>					

What are the Federal Poverty Level Guidelines?

Federal Poverty Income Guidelines were first developed in the early 1960's as a uniform national measure of the number of people living "in poverty". The guidelines are based on U.S. Department of Agriculture (U.S.D.A.) 1955-1960 data, averaged to find the "lowest cost food budget" for Americans in varying family sizes. Based on the assumption that a low-income family spends one-third of its income on food, the "lowest cost food budget" amount for each family size is multiplied by 3 to get the Federal Poverty level. The methodology for developing these guidelines has not changed since it was developed, although figures are updated each year to reflect inflation.

LIST OF PROGRAMS BY AGENCY

Texas Department on Aging (TDoA)

Local Services
 Senior Texans Employment Program (STEP)
 Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA)

Licensure and Certification
 Intervention Services
 Institutional Treatment and Rehabilitation
 Community-Based Treatment and Rehabilitation
 Primary Prevention
 Drug Abuse Services

Texas Commission for the Blind (TCB)

Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Services
 Business Enterprise Program (BEP)
 Comprehensive Rehabilitation Center
 Visually Handicapped Children's Services
 Older Blind Services/Independent Living Rehabilitation

Texas School for the Blind (TSB)

Elementary and Secondary Education Programs
 Vocational Instruction
 Deaf/Blind Instruction
 Severely Handicapped Instruction
 Special Programs
 Elementary and Secondary Residential Programs
 Deaf/Blind Residential Program
 Severely Handicapped Residential
 Health Services

Texas Cancer CouncilTexas Department of Community Affairs (TDCA)

Local Government Services and Community Development (Community
 Development Block Grant--CDBG)
 Economically Disadvantaged Services (Community Services Block
 Grant--CSBG)
 Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA)

Child Support Enforcement Program, Attorney General's Office (CSE/AG)

Child Support Enforcement Services

Texas Commission for the Deaf (TCD)

Information and Referral for the Deaf
Interpreter Services for the Deaf
Elderly Deaf Services
Message Relay for the Deaf
Interpreter for the Deaf Training
Interpreter for the Deaf Certification
Interpreter for the Deaf Registry
Outdoor Training Program for the Deaf
TDD Placement and Maintenance for the Deaf

Texas School for the Deaf (TSD)

Education Program/Upper School
Educational Program/Lower School
Accommodating Individual Differences (AID) Program
Residential Services
Pupil Personnel Services
Health Services

Texas Education Agency (TEA)

Visually Handicapped Services
Visually Handicapped -- Statewide Program
Regional Services for the Deaf
Adult Education
Vocational Education - Federal Funds
ECIA Chapter 1 - Handicapped
ECIA Chapter 1 - Delinquent, Neglected and Correctional
Institutions
ECIA Chapter 1 - Migrant
Education of the Handicapped Act, Part B
Education of the Handicapped Act, Part C - Deaf/Blind
ESEA Title VII - Bilingual Education
Refugee Children -- Transition Program
Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA)
School Breakfast Program
School Lunch Program
Special Education, FSP
Compensatory Education, FSP
Bilingual Education, FSP
Summer School, FSP
Pre-Kindergarten, FSP
Gifted and Talented, FSP

Texas Employment Commission (TEC)

Employment Services
Job Corps
Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA)
Work Incentive Program (WIN)
Food Stamp Recipient Employment
Unemployment Insurance Benefits

Texas Department of Health (TDH)

Health Services -- Public Health Regions
Community Health Services -- Local Health Departments
Emergency Management Services
Maternal and Child Health
Maternal and Infant Health Improvement Services
Crippled Children's Services
Vision, Speech and Hearing
Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)
Kidney Health Program
Adult Health Program
Hemophilia Assistance
Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Disabled Children's Services
Children's Outreach Heart Services
Epilepsy Program
Early Childhood Intervention
Family Planning-Title X
Neonatal Transportation
Primary Health Care
Dental Health Services
Laboratory Services
Immunizations
Sexually Transmitted Disease Control
Tuberculosis Control
Epidemiology
Veterinary Public Health
Licensing and Certification
Long Term Care
Consumer Health Protection
Environmental Health
Chest Hospitals
Vital Statistics

Texas Department of Human Services (TDHS)

Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC)
Food Stamps
Child Protective Services
Medicaid -- Basic Services (Purchased Health Services)
Alternate Treatment for Youth
County Indigent Health Care

(TDHS continued)

Disproportionate Share Hospital Reimbursement
Integrated Eligibility Determination
Truant and Runaway Services
Children's Trust Fund
Family Planning-Title XIX (Medicaid)
Family Planning-Title XX
Child Day Care Services
Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT, Medicaid)
Employment Services
Emergency Nutrition/Temporary Emergency Relief Services
Long Term Institutional Care (Medicaid)
Medicaid -- Vendor Drugs
Medicaid -- Medical Transportation
In-Home Services
Out-of-Home Services
Supervised Living
Adult Protective Services
Family Violence Services
Disaster Assistance
Energy Assistance
Refugee Assistance
Client Managed Attendant Care
Child Care Food Program
Child Care Licensing
Commodities -- Food Distribution
Commodities -- Temporary Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)
Nutrition Education and Training (NET)
School Lunch and Breakfast Program
Special Milk Program
Summer Food Service Program
Teen Parent Initiative

Texas Indian Commission (TIC)

Alabama-Coushatta Reservation
Tigua Indian Reservation
Texas Band of Kickapoo

Texas Juvenile Probation Commission (TJPC)

State Aid to Counties

Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation (TDMHMR)

Mental Health Campus-Based Services -- State Centers
Mental Health Campus-Based Services -- State Hospitals
Mental Health Community Services -- State Centers
Mental Health Community Services -- State Hospitals
Mental Health -- Contracted Community Services
Mental Health -- Houston Psychiatric Hospital
Mental Retardation Campus-Based Services -- State Centers

(TDMHMR continued)

Mental Retardation Campus-Based Services -- State Schools
Mental Retardation Community Services -- State Centers
Mental Retardation Community Services -- State Schools
Mental Retardation -- Contracted Community Services
Mental Retardation Intermediate Care (ICF-MR)
Mental Health/Mental Retardation -- Client Services and Rights
Autism Services
Hepatitis B Screening and Vaccination
Genetics Screening and Counseling Services

Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC)

Vocational Rehabilitation Services
Extended Rehabilitation Services
Independent Living Centers
Independent Living Services
Texas Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities
Comprehensive Medical Rehabilitation Services
Deaf-Blind Multi-handicapped Services

Texas Youth Commission (TYC)

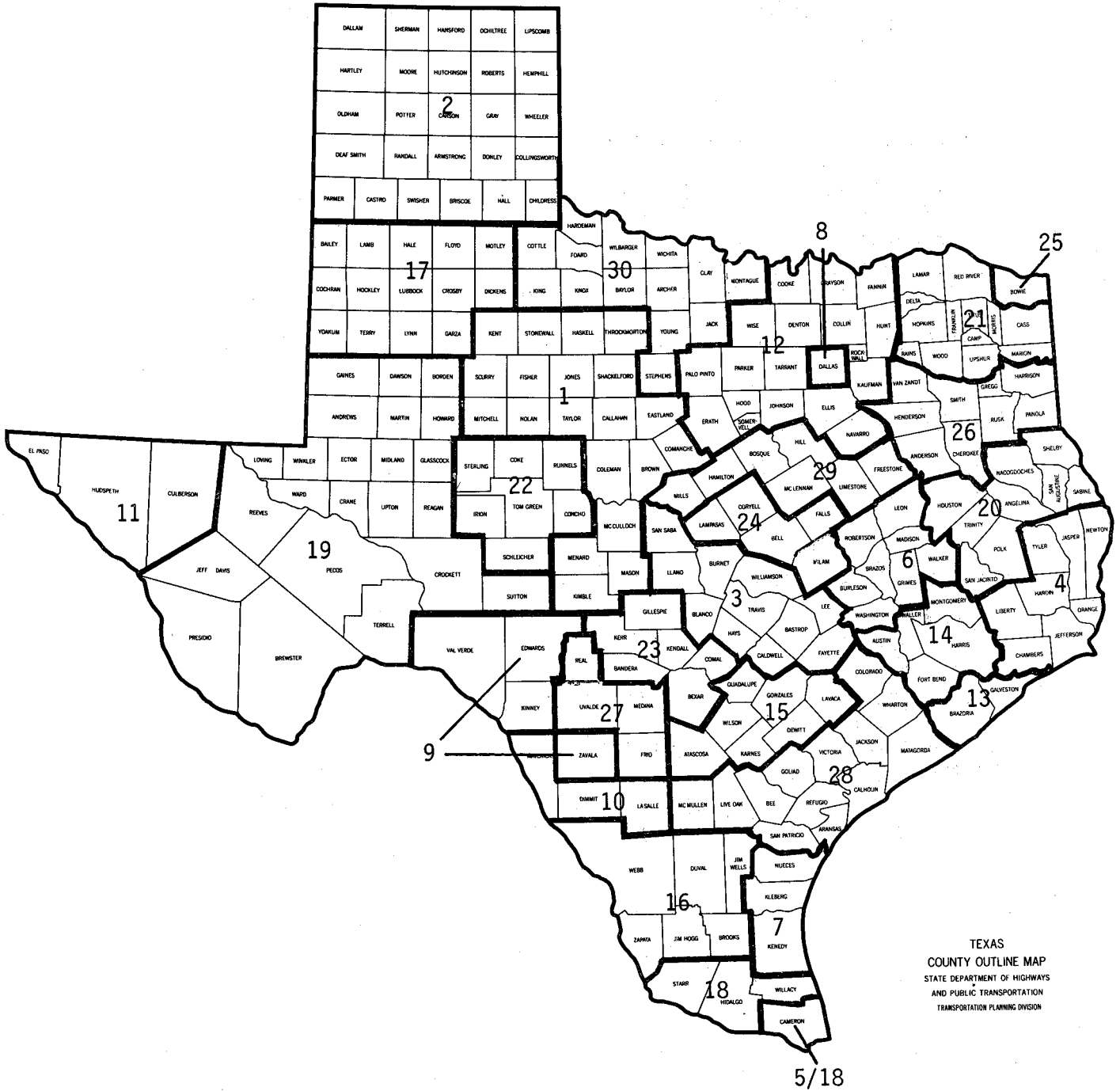
Institutional Services
Community Services

Federal Programs (not state administered)

Community Health Centers
Head Start
Medicare
Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
Social Security Retirement Benefits
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
Veterans Benefits

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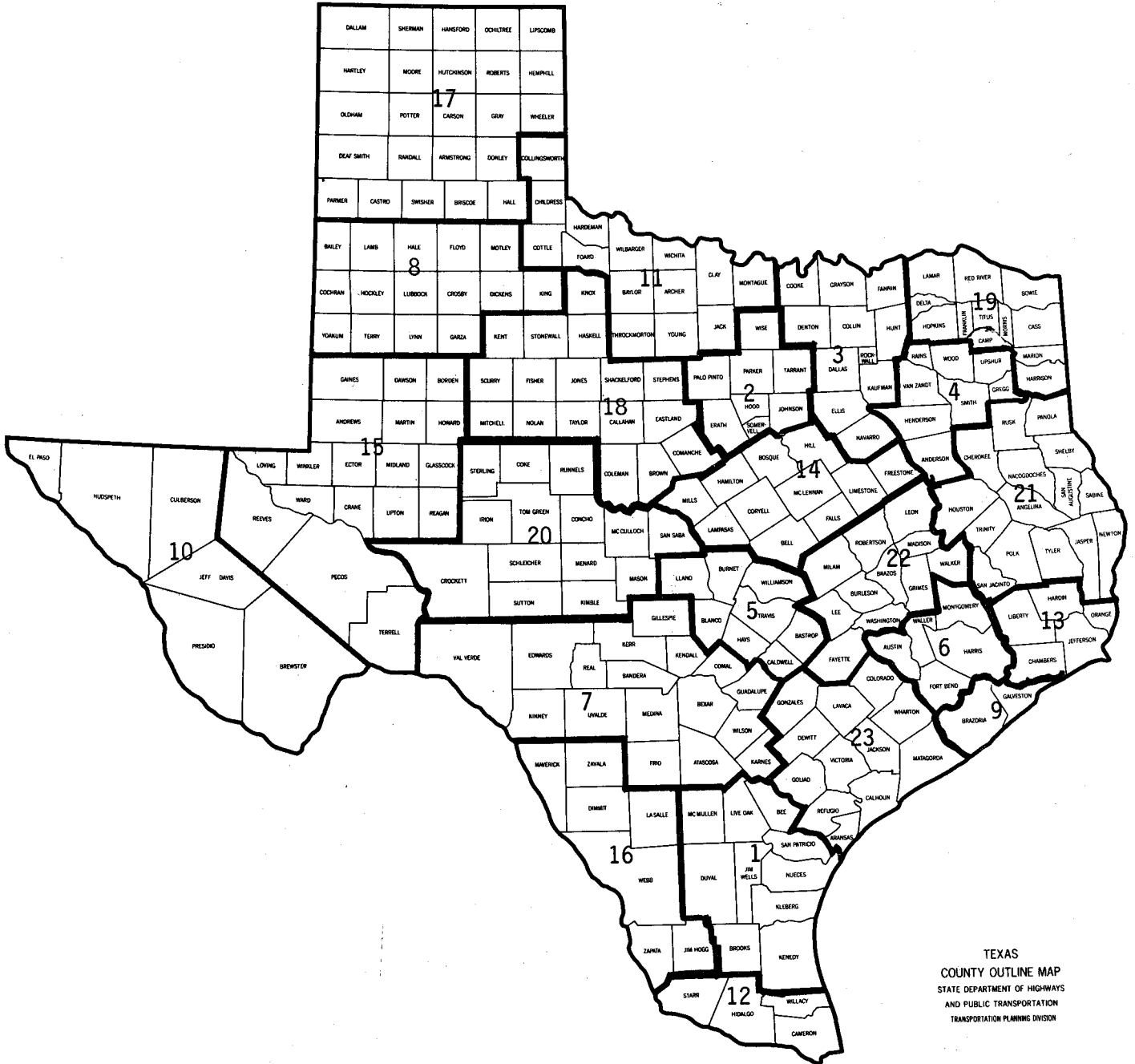
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409/560-1718
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214/784-4322
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TEXAS COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND

REGIONAL BOUNDARIES



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AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING DIVISION

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3. DALLAS
6301 Gaston Avenue
East Tower, Suite 450
Allied Lakewood Bank Center
Dallas, TX 75214
214/823-1700
4. TYLER
Fannin Office Plaza
323 South Fannin
Tyler, TX 75202
214/595-4187
5. AUSTIN
4800 N. Lamar
Administrative Bldg. Suite 100
Austin, TX 78756
512/459-2544

AUSTIN
University of Texas
P. O. Box 7639 UT Station
Austin, TX 78313
512/475-4410
6. HOUSTON
Heights Medical Bldg.
427 W. 20th, Suite 407
Houston, TX 77008
713/880-0721

HOUSTON
University of Houston
302 Student Life Bldg.
4800 Calhoun
Houston, TX 77004
713/749-4808
7. SAN ANTONIO
Heritage Plaza
410 S. Main, Suite 300
San Antonio, TX 78204
512/223-3831
8. LUBBOCK
3706-B 20th St.
Lubbock, TX 79410
806/799-7999
9. GALVESTON
Port Holiday Mall
400 The Strand
Suite 201
Galveston, TX 77550
409/762-8631

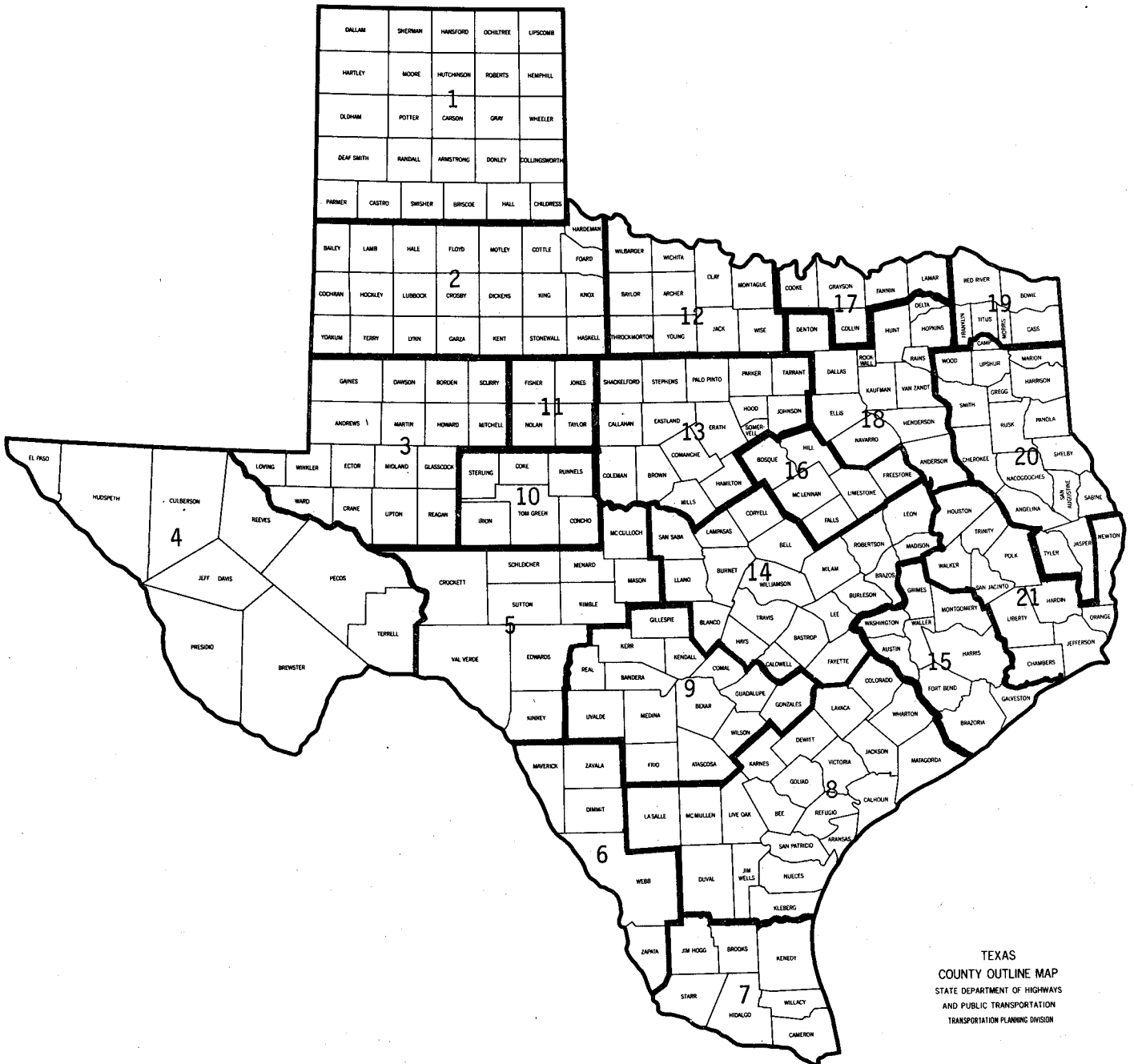
GALVESTON
University of Texas Medical
Branch
Old Allied Health Science Bldg.
8th and Market Rm. 523
Galveston, TX 77550
409/761-1122
10. EL PASO
5100 El Paso Drive
El Paso, TX 79905
915/799-6385
11. WICHITA FALLS
710 Brooke, Suite 3
Wichita Falls, TX 76301
817/723-2786
12. HARLINGEN
511 E. Jackson
Harlingen, TX 78550
512/423-9411
13. BEAUMONT
3515 Fannin Street
Suite 103
Beaumont, TX 77001
409/838-5201

14. WACO
415 Lake Air Drive
Suite 112
Waco, TX 76710
817/772-9284
15. ODESSA
2817 Parkway
Building A, Suite 103
Odessa, TX 79762
915/368-0881
16. LAREDO
Building S1
600 South Sandman
Laredo, TX 78041
512/723-2954
17. AMARILLO
7132 I-40 West
Security Park, Bldg. B
Amarillo, TX 79106
806/353-9568
18. ABILENE
209 S. Danville
Building A, Suite 128
Abilene, TX 79605
915/692-3570
19. TEXARKANA
1423-C College Drive
Texarkana, TX 75503
214/793-6779
- TEXAS TECH
Center of Visually Handicapped
Texas Tech Library
Lubbock, TX 79409
806/742-2252
20. SAN ANGELO
2201 Sherwood Way
Suite LL8
San Angelo, TX 76901
915/949-4601
21. LUFKIN
Denman Bldg.
106 W. Frank
Lufkin, TX 75901
409/634-7733
22. BRYAN
Metro Center
Suite 376
3833 Texas Avenue
409/846-0550
23. VICTORIA
El Centro Office Bldg.
1801 N. Laurent, Suite 210
Victoria, TX 77901
512/575-2352

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TEXAS COMMISSION FOR THE DEAF

REGIONAL BOUNDARIES



TEXAS COMMISSION FOR THE DEAF

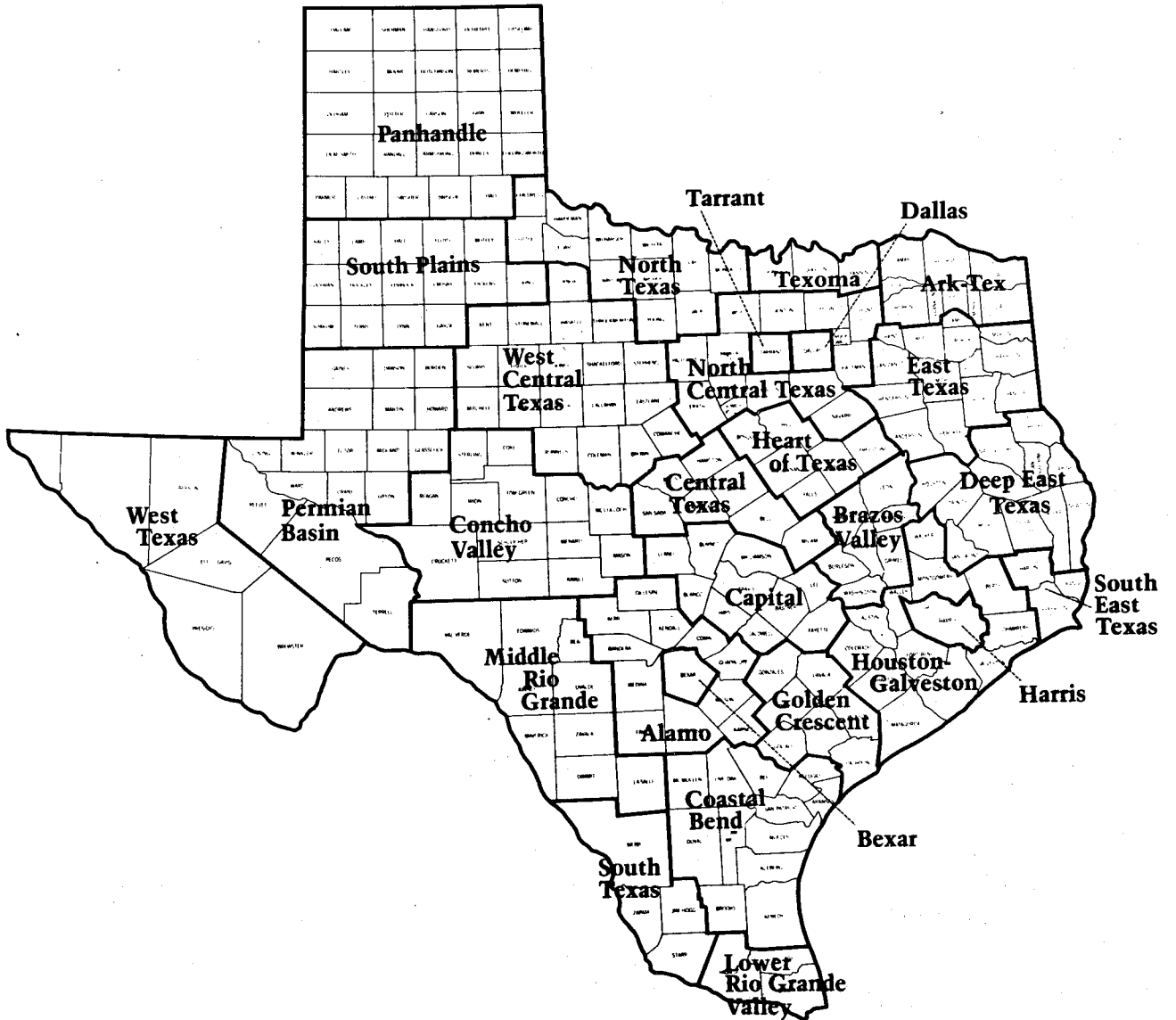
AREA SERVICE COUNCILS

1. PANHANDLE COUNCIL FOR THE DEAF
3300 S. Georgia
P. O. Box 8043
Amarillo, TX 79114
806/353-0767
2. LUBBOCK SERVICES FOR THE DEAF
4325 22nd Place
Lubbock, TX 79410
806/795-2345
3. HIGHLAND COUNCIL FOR THE DEAF
P. O. Box 1935
Big Springs, TX 79721
915/267-6779
4. EL PASO CENTER OF THE DEAF, INC.
1005 Yandell
El Paso, TX 79902
5. No provider available at this time.
6. No provider available at this time.
7. No provider available at this time.
8. CORPUS CHRISTI AREA COUNCIL FOR
THE DEAF
5151 McArdle Road
Corpus Christi, TX 78411
512/993-1154
9. SAN ANTONIO COUNCIL FOR THE DEAF
2803 E. Commerce St.
San Antonio, TX 78203
512/223-9200
10. No provider available at this time.
11. WEST TEXAS SERVICES FOR THE DEAF
ACU Station, Box 8107
Abilene, TX 79601
915/677-1911
12. No provider available at this time.
13. TARRANT COUNTY SERVICES FOR THE HEARING
IMPAIRED
2500 Lipscomb
Fort, Worth, TX 76110
817/926-5303

14. TRAVIS COUNTY SERVICES FOR THE DEAF
2201 Post Road #100
Austin, TX 78704
512/448-7597
15. HEAR-SAY
2525 Murworth, Suite 207
Houston, TX 77054
713/666-2625

DEAF COUNCIL OF GREATER HOUSTON
6910 Fannin, Suite 203 E & F
P. O. Box 20549
Houston, TX 77025
713/796-0520
16. CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL FOR THE DEAF
P. O. Box 8792
Waco, TX 76714
817/754-4247
17. TEXOMA COUNCIL FOR THE DEAF
800 N. Travis
Sherman, TX 75090
214/892-6531
18. DEAF ACTION CENTER
3115 Crestview Drive
Dallas, TX 75235
214/521-0407
19. No provider available at this time.
20. EAST TEXAS DEAF AND HEARING, INC.
777 Broadway
Tyler, TX 78701
21. SOUTHEAST TEXAS COUNCIL FOR THE
HEARING IMPAIRED
470 Orleans
P. O. Box 1748
Beaumont, TX 77704
409/833-6679

Area Agencies on Aging



AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

ALAMO

Alamo Area Agency on Aging
118 Broadway, Suite 400
San Antonio, TX 78205
512/225-5201

ARK-TEX

Ark-Tex Area Agency on Aging
P. O. Box 5307
Texarkana, TX 75505
214/832-8636

BEXAR

Bexar County Area Agency on Aging
118 Broadway, Suite 400
San Antonio, TX 78205
512/225-5201

BRAZOS VALLEY

Brazos Valley Area Agency on Aging
3006 E. 29th St.
P. O. Drawer 4128
Bryan, TX 77805-4128
409/776-2277
1-800-392-5563

CAPITAL

Capital Area Agency on Aging
2520 Interstate Hwy, 35, South
Suite 100
Austin, TX 78704
512/443-7653

CENTRAL TEXAS

Central Texas Area Agency on Aging
302 E. Central
P. O. Box 729
Belton, TX 76513
817/939-1886 and 1887

COASTAL BEND

Coastal Bend Area Agency on Aging
2910 Leopard Street
P. O. Box 9909
Corpus Christi, TX 78469

CONCHO VALLEY

Concho Valley Area Agency on Aging
5002 Knickerbocker Road
P. O. Box 60050
San Angelo, TX 76906
915/944-9666
1-800-592-4719

DALLAS

Dallas County Area Agency on Aging
2121 Main St., Suite 500
Dallas, TX 75201-4321
214/741-5851

DEEP EAST TEXAS Deep East Texas Area Agency on Aging
P. O. Drawer 1170
274 E. Lamar St.
Jasper, TX 75951
409/384-5704
1-800-435-3377

EAST TEXAS East Texas Area Agency on Aging
3800 Stone Road
Kilgore, TX 75662
214/984-8641
1-800-442-8845

GOLDEN CRESCENT Golden Crescent Area Agency on Aging
Victoria Regional Airport, Bldg. 102
P. O. Box 2028
Victoria, TX 77902
512/578-1587
1-800-292-1565

HARRIS Office on Aging - Harris Co.
806 Main, 3rd Floor
P. O. Box 1562
Houston, TX 77251
713/222-5693

HEART OF TEXAS Heart of Texas Area Agency on Aging
320 Franklin Avenue
Waco, TX 76701
817/756-6631
1-800-792-2008

HOUSTON-GALVESTON Houston-Galveston Area Agency on Aging
3555 Timmons, Suite 500
P. O. Box 22777
Houston, TX 77227
713/627-3200 or TEX-AN 850-1566

LOWER RIO GRANDE Lower Rio Grande Valley Area Agency on Aging
Texas Commerce Bank Bldg., Suite 707
1701 W. Business Hwy. 83
McAllen, TX 78501
512/682-3481

MIDDLE RIO GRANDE Middle Rio Grande Area Agency on Aging
403 E. Nopal
P. O. Box 1199
Carrizo Springs, TX 78834
512/876-3533

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS North Central Texas Area Agency on Aging
Centerpoint Two - Second Floor
616 Six Flags Drive
P. O. Drawer COG
Arlington, TX 76005-5888
817/640-3300

NORTH TEXAS

North Texas Area Agency on Aging
2101 Kemp Blvd.
P. O. Box 5144
Wichita Falls, TX 76307
817/322-5281

PANHANDLE

Panhandle Area Agency on Aging
801 S. Jackson
Briercroft Bldg., Suite 200
P. O. Box 9257
Amarillo, TX 79105
806/372-3381

PERMIAN BASIN

Permian Basin Area Agency on Aging
2514 Pliska Drive
P. O. Box 6391
Midland, TX 79711
915/563-1061

SOUTH EAST TEXAS

South East Texas Area Agency on Aging
P. O. Box Drawer 1387
Nederland, TX 77627
409/727-2384
1-800-392-0055

SOUTH PLAINS

South Plains Area Agency on Aging
P. O. Box 3730
Freedom Station
Lubbock, TX 79452
806/762-8721
1-800-858-1809

SOUTH TEXAS

South Texas Area Agency on Aging
600 S. Sandman
Laredo Int'l Airport
P. O. Box 2187
Laredo, TX 78044-2187
512/722-3995
1-800-292-5426

TARRANT

Tarrant County Area Agency on Aging
210 E. Ninth St.
Fort Worth, TX 76102
817/335-3473

TEXOMA

Texoma Area Agency on Aging
10000 Grayson Drive
Denison, TX 75020
214/786-2955

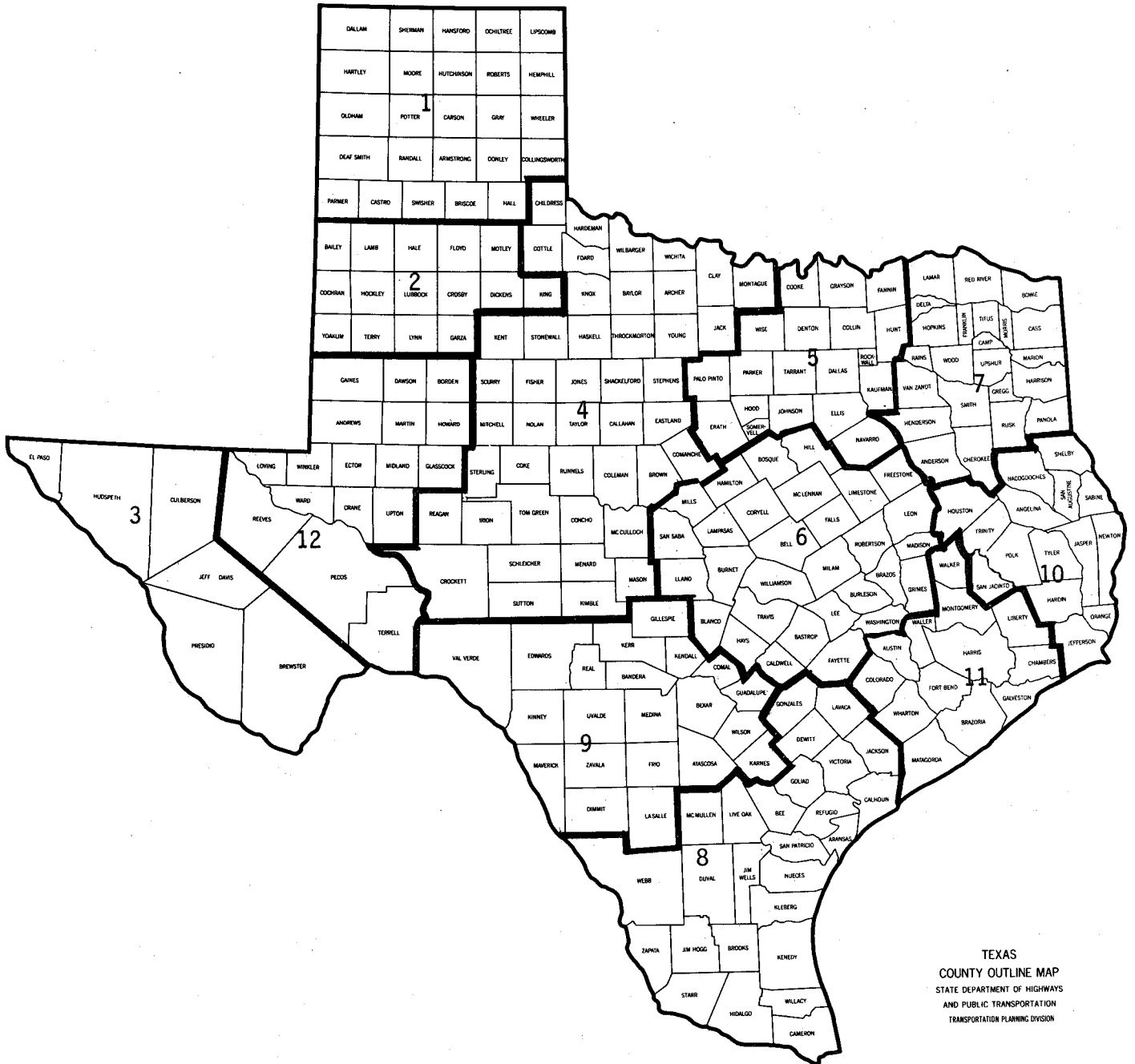
WEST CENTRAL TEXAS

West Central Texas Area Agency on Aging
1025 E. North 10th St.
P. O. Box 3195
Abilene, TX 79604
915/672-8544

WEST TEXAS

West Texas Area Agency on Aging
123 Pioneer Plaza
The Center, Suite 210
El Paso, TX 79901
915/533-0998

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
REGIONAL BOUNDARIES



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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

PUBLIC HEALTH REGIONS

Region 01 P. O. Box 968, WTSU Station
Old Health Center
200 Victory Drive
Canyon, TX 79016
806/840-1088

Region 02 4709 66th Street
Lubbock, TX 79414
806/797-4331

Region 03/12 P. O. Box 10736
El Paso, TX 79997
915/779-7783

Region 04 P. O. Box 2648
Commerce Plaze Office Bldg.
1290 S. Willis, Suite 100
Abilene, TX 79605
915/695-7170

Region 05 2561 Matlock Road
Arlington, TX 76015
817/460-3032

Region 06 P. O. Box 190
Temple, TX 76503
817/778-6744

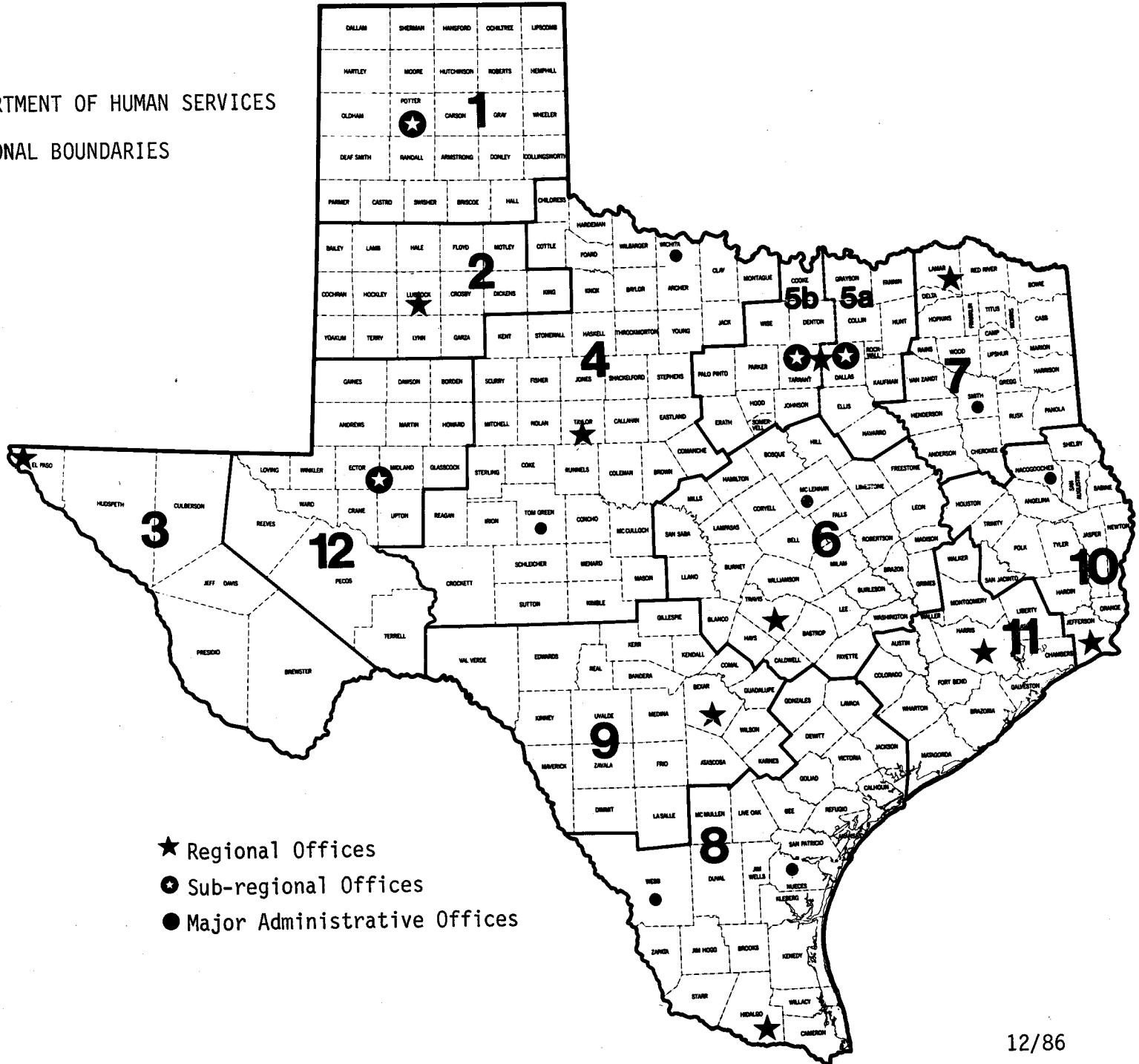
Region 07/10 P. O. Box 2501
Tyler, TX 75710
214/595-3585

Region 08 1401 S. Rangerville Road
Harlingen, TX 78552
512/423-0130

Region 09 P. O. Drawer 630
Old Memorial Hospital
Garner Field Road
Uvalde, TX 78801
512/278-7173

Region 11 1110 Avenue G
Rosenberg, TX 77471
409/342-8685

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
REGIONAL BOUNDARIES



- ★ Regional Offices
- ★ Sub-regional Offices
- Major Administrative Offices

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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

REGIONAL OFFICES

Region 01/02 2109 Avenue Q
 P. O. Box 10528
 Lubbock, TX 79408
 806/741-0541

Region 03/12 1200 Golden Key Circle
 P. O. Box 10276
 El Paso, TX 79994
 915/595-1700

Region 04 4380 Spindletop
 P. O. Box 6635
 Abilene, TX 79608
 915/695-5750

Region 05 631-106th Street
 P. O. Box 5128
 Arlington, TX 76011
 817/640-5090

Region 06 7901 Cameron Rd. #2
 P. O. Box 15995
 Austin, TX 78761
 512/835-2350

Region 07 4355 Bonham
 P. O. Box 839
 Paris, TX 75460
 214/784-0841

Region 08 2420 Closner
 P. O. Box 960
 Edinburg, TX 78539
 512/383-5344

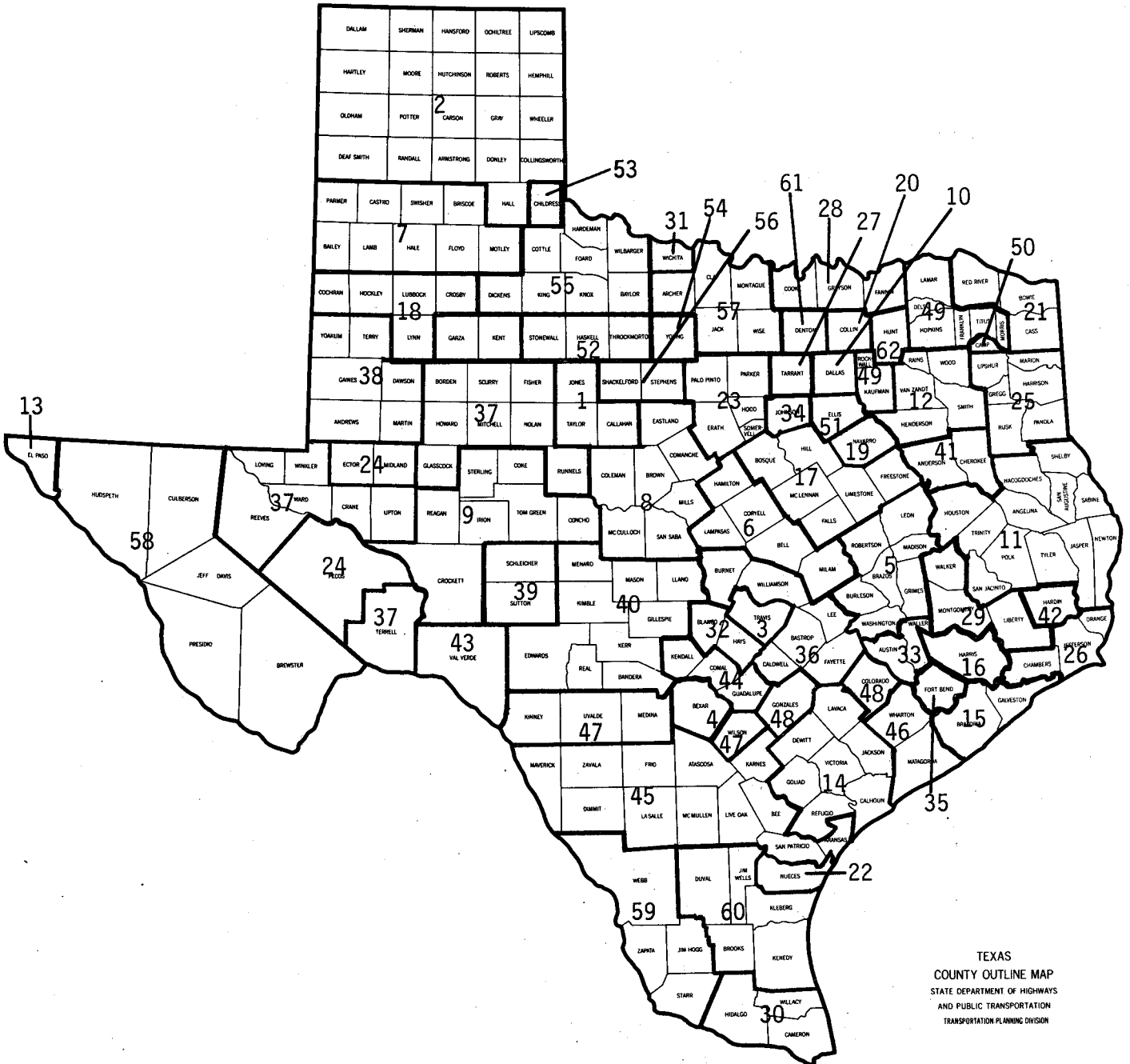
Region 09 233 E. Mitchell
 P. O. Box 37120
 San Antonio, TX 78237
 512/531-1255

Region 10 285 Liberty, 9th Floor
 Beaumont, TX 77701
 409/835-3751

Region 11 1300 E. 40th
 P. O. Box 16017
 Houston, TX 77222
 713/692-3236

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

LOCAL SERVICE AREAS



**TDMHMR DIRECTORY
MENTAL RETARDATION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
BY LOCAL SERVICE AREA**

TDMHMR Service Areas

The Service Area is a geographic area made up of one or more Texas counties that serve to define and delimit the population of citizens in the area including the subpopulation of mentally ill and mentally retarded citizens. A client's Service Area and Mental Health Authority or Mental Retardation Authority is determined by county of residence.

Service

Area	<u>Mental Health Authority</u>	<u>Mental Retardation Authority</u>
1.	Abilene Regional MHMR Center 3909 S. 7th Street, Suite 1 Abilene, TX 79605 915/698-3016	Abilene Regional MHMR Center 3909 S. 7th Street, Suite 1 Abilene, TX 79605 915/698-3016
2.	Texas Panhandle MH Authority P. O. Box 3250 Amarillo, TX 79116-3250 806/353-7235	Amarillo State Center P.O. Box 3070 Amarillo, TX 79116 806/358-1681 STS 843-8000
3.	Austin-Travis County MHMR Center 611 South Congress Austin, TX 78704 512/447-4141	Austin-Travis County MHMR Center 611 South Congress Austin, TX 78704 512/447-4141
4.	Bexar County MHMR Center 434 S. Main, Suite 400 San Antonio, TX 78204 512/225-4011	Bexar County MHMR Center 434 S. Main, Suite 400 San Antonio, TX 78204 512/225-4011
5.	MHMR Authority of Brazos Valley P. O. Box 4588 Bryan, TX 77805 409/696-8585 STS 857-1355	MHMR Authority of Brazos Valley P. O. Box 4588 Bryan, TX 77805 409/696-8585 STS 857-1355
6.	Central Counties Center for MHMR Services P. O. Box 518 Temple, TX 76503-0518 817/778-6483 STS 881-3000	Central Counties Center for MHMR Services P. O. Box 518 Temple, TX 76503-0518 817/778-6483 STS 881-3000
7.	Central Plains Comprehensive Community MHMR Center 2700 Yonkers Plainview, TX 79072-1892 806/296-2726 STS 862-0021	Central Plains Comprehensive Community MHMR Center 2700 Yonkers Plainview, TX 79072-1892 806/296-2726 STS 862-0021

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| 8. | Central Texas MHMR Center
Box 250
Brownwood, TX 76801
915/646-9574 | Central Texas MHMR Center
Box 250
Brownwood, TX 76801
915/646-9574 |
| 9. | Concho Valley Center for Human
Advancement
244 North Magdalen
San Angelo, TX 76903-5490
915/655-8965 | Concho Valley Center for Human
Advancement
244 North Magdalen
San Angelo, TX 76903-5490
915/655-8965 |
| 10. | Dallas County MHMR Center
1353 North Westmoreland
Dallas, TX 75211-1655
214/330-7726 STS 832-4100 | Dallas County MHMR Center
1353 North Westmoreland
Dallas, TX 75211-1655
214/330-7726 STS 832-4100 |
| 11. | Deep East Texas Regional MHMR
Services
4101 South Medford Drive
Lufkin, TX 75901
409/639-1141 | Deep East Texas Regional MHMR
Services
4101 South Medford Drive
Lufkin, TX 75901
409/639-1141 |
| 12. | MHMR Regional Center of
East Texas
P. O. Box 4730
Tyler, TX 75712
214/597-1351 STS 831-3401 | MHMR Regional Center of
East Texas
P. O. Box 4730
Tyler, TX 75712
214/597-1351 STS 831-3401 |
| 13. | Life Management Center
P. O. Box 9997
El Paso, TX 79990
915/593-5085 | Life Management Center
P. O. Box 9997
El Paso, TX 79990
915/593-5085 |
| 14. | Gulf Bend MHMR Center
P. O. Box 4949
Victoria, TX 77903
512/575-0611 | Gulf Bend MHMR Center
P. O. Box 4949
Victoria, TX 77903
512/575-0611 |
| 15. | Gulf Coast Regional MHMR Center
P. O. Box 2490
Galveston, TX 77553
409/763-2373 | Gulf Coast Regional MHMR Center
P. O. Box 2490
Galveston, TX 77553
409/763-2373 |
| 16. | MHMR Authority of Harris County
24 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1300
Houston, TX 77046
713/626-2567 STS 850-1420 | MHMR Authority of Harris County
24 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1300
Houston, TX 77046
713/626-2567 STS 850-1420 |
| 17. | Heart of Texas Region MHMR Center
P. O. Box 890
Waco, TX 76703
817/752-3451 | Heart of Texas Region MHMR Center
P. O. Box 890
Waco, TX 76703
817/752-3451 |

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| 18. | Lubbock Regional MHMR Center
1210 Texas Avenue
Lubbock, TX 79401
806/763-4213 | Lubbock Regional MHMR Center
1210 Texas Avenue
Lubbock, TX 79401
806/763-4213 |
| 19. | Navarro County MHMR Center
P. O. Box 1735
Corsicana, TX 75110
214/872-2491 | Navarro County MHMR Center
P. O. Box 1735
Corsicana, TX 75110
214/872-2491 |
| 20. | Wichita Falls State Hospital
Box 300
Wichita Falls, TX 76307
817/692-1220 STS 836-9218 | Denton State School
Box 368
Denton, TX 76202-0368
817/387-3831 STS 893-4557 |
| 21. | Northeast Texas MHMR Center
P. O. Box 5637
Texarkana, TX 75505
214/793-7585 | Northeast Texas MHMR Center
P. O. Box 5637
Texarkana, TX 75505
214/793-7585 |
| 22. | Nueces County MHMR Community
Center
1630 South Brownlee
Corpus Christi, TX 78404
512/886-6900 | Nueces County MHMR Community
Center
1630 South Brownlee
Corpus Christi, TX 78404
512/886-6900 |
| 23. | Pecan Valley MHMR Region
P. O. Box 973
Stephenville, TX 76401
817/965-7806 | Pecan Valley MHMR Region
P. O. Box 973
Stephenville, TX 76401
817/965-7806 |
| 24. | Permian Basin Community Centers
for MH and MR
3701 North Big Spring
Midland, TX 79701
915/563-0271 | Permian Basin Community Centers
for MH and MR
3701 North Big Spring
Midland, TX 79701
915/563-0271 |
| 25. | Sabine Valley Regional MHMR
Center
P. O. Box 6800
Longview, TX 75608
214/297-2191 | Sabine Valley Regional MHMR
Center
P. O. Box 6800
Longview, TX 75608
214/297-2191 |
| 26. | MHMR of Southeast Texas
2750 S. 8th Street
Beaumont, TX 77701
409/838-6203 | Beaumont State Center
P. O. Box 3846
Beaumont, TX 77704
409/833-1485 STS 855-5546 |
| 27. | Tarrant County MHMR Services
P. O. Box 2603
Fort Worth, Tx 76113
817/335-5371 | Tarrant County MHMR Services
P. O. Box 2603
Fort Worth, Tx 76113
817/335-5371 |

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| 28. | MHMR Services of Texoma
203 Airport Drive
Denison, TX 75020
214/786-2902 | MHMR Services of Texoma
203 Airport Drive
Denison, TX 75020
214/786-2902 |
| 29. | Tri-County MHMR Services
P. O. Box 3067
Conroe, TX 77305
409/539-7868 | Tri-County MHMR Services
P. O. Box 3067
Conroe, TX 77305
409/539-7868 |
| 30. | Tropical Texas Center for MHMR
P. O. Drawer 1108
Edinburg, TX 78540
512/383-0121 | Tropical Texas Center for MHMR
P. O. Drawer 1108
Edinburg, TX 78540
512/383-0121 |
| 31. | Wichita Falls Community MHMR Center
P. O. Box 8266
Wichita Falls, TX 76307-8266
817/322-5136 | Wichita Falls Community MHMR Center
P. O. Box 8266
Wichita Falls, TX 76307-8266
817/322-5136 |
| 32. | Austin State Hospital
4100 Guadalupe
Austin, TX 78751
512/452-0381 STS 883-4111 | Austin State School
P.O. Box 1269
Austin, TX 78767
512/454-4731 STS 820-6157 |
| 33. | Austin State Hospital
4100 Guadalupe
Austin, TX 78751
512/452-0381 STS 883-4111 | Brenham State School
P. O. Box 161
Brenham, TX 77833
409/836-4511 STS 871-4450 |
| 34. | Johnson County MHMR Center
P. O. Box 196
Cleburne, TX 76031-0196
817/641-3619 | Mexia State School
P. O. Box 1132
Mexia, TX 7667
817/562-2821 STS 836-0305 |
| 35. | Austin State Hospital
4100 Guadalupe
Austin, TX 78751
512/452-0381 STS 883-4111 | Richmond State School
P. O. Box 398
Richmond, TX 77469
713/342-4681 STS 853-9286 |
| 36. | Austin State Hospital
4100 Guadalupe
Austin, TX 78751
512/452-0381 STS 883-4111 | Travis State School
Box 430
Austin, TX 78767
512/926-2410 STS 824-8296 |
| 37. | Big Spring State Hospital
Box 231
Big Spring, TX 79721
915/267-8216 STS 841-7011 | Abilene State School
P. O. Box 451
Abilene, TX 79604-0451
915/692-4053 STS 841-3211 |
| 38. | Big Spring State Hospital
Box 231
Big Spring, TX 79721
915/267-8216 STS 841-7011 | Lubbock State School
Box 5396
Lubbock, TX 79417
806/763-7041 STS 862-9223 |

39. Kerrville State Hospital
Box 1468
Kerrville, TX 78028
512/896-2211 STS 825-6011
40. Kerrville State Hospital
Box 1468
Kerrville, TX 78028
512/896-2211 STS 825-6011
41. Rusk State Hospital
Box 318
Rusk, TX 75785
214/683-3421 STS 836-7011
42. Deep East Texas Regional MHMR
Services
4101 South Medford Drive
Lufkin, TX 75901
409/639-1141
43. San Antonio State Hospital
Box 23310
Highland Hills Station
San Antonio, TX 78223
512/532-8811 STS 827-1575
44. San Antonio State Hospital
Box 23310
Highland Hills Station
San Antonio, TX 78223
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- Abilene State School
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- Austin State School
P. O. Box 1269
Austin, TX 78767
512/454-4731 STS 820-6157
- Lufkin State School
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Lufkin, TX 75902
409/634-3353 STS 858-8253
- Deep East Texas Regional MHMR
Services
4101 South Medford Drive
Lufkin, TX 75901
409/639-1141
- Abilene State School
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Abilene, TX 79604-0451
915/692-4053 STS 841-3211
- Austin State School
P. O. Box 1269
Austin, TX 78767
512/454-4731 STS 820-6157
- Corpus Christi State School
Box 9297
Corpus Christi, TX 78469
512/888-5301 STS 827-7236
- Richmond State School
P. O. Box 398
Richmond, TX 77469
713/342-4681 STS 853-9286
- San Antonio State School
P. O. Box 14700
Harlandale Station
San Antonio, TX 78214-0700
512/532-9610 STS 827-1684

48. San Antonio State Hospital
Box 23310
Highland Hills Station
San Antonio, TX 78223
512/532-8811 STS 827-1575
49. Terrell State Hospital
P. O. Box 70
Terrell, TX 75160
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52. Vernon State Hospital
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56. Wichita Falls State Hospital
Box 300
Wichita Falls, TX 76307
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57. Wichita Falls State Hospital
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- Travis State School
Box 430
Austin, TX 78767
512/926-2410 STS 824-8296
- Denton State School
Box 368
Denton, TX 76202-0368
817/387-3831 STS 893-4557
- Lufkin State School
Drawer 1648
Lufkin, TX 75902
409/634-3353 STS 858-8253
- Mexia State School
P. O. Box 1132
Mexia, TX 76667
817/562-2821 STS 836-0305
- Abilene State School
P. O. Box 451
Abilene, TX 79604-0451
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- Amarillo State Center
P. O. Box 3070
Amarillo, TX 79116
806/358-1681 STS 843-8000
- Denton State School
Box 368
Denton, TX 76202-0368
817/387-3831 STS 893-4557
- Lubbock State School
Box 5396
Lubbock, TX 79417
806/763-7041 STS 862-9223
- Abilene State School
P. O. Box 451
Abilene, TX 79604-0451
915/692-4053 STS 841-3211
- Denton State School
Box 368
Denton, TX 76202-0368
817/387-3831 STS 893-4557

58. El Paso State Center
P. O. Box 20019
El Paso, TX 79998
915/779-0800 STS 846-8822

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El Paso, TX 79998
915/779-0800 STS 846-8822

59. Laredo State Center
Box 1835
Laredo, TX 78044
512/723-2926 STS 820-5801

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Laredo, TX 78044
512/723-2926 STS 820-5801

60. Rio Grande State Center
P. O. Box 2668
Harlingen, TX 78551
512/423-5077 STS 837-7561

Corpus Christi State School
Box 9297
Corpus Christi, TX 78469
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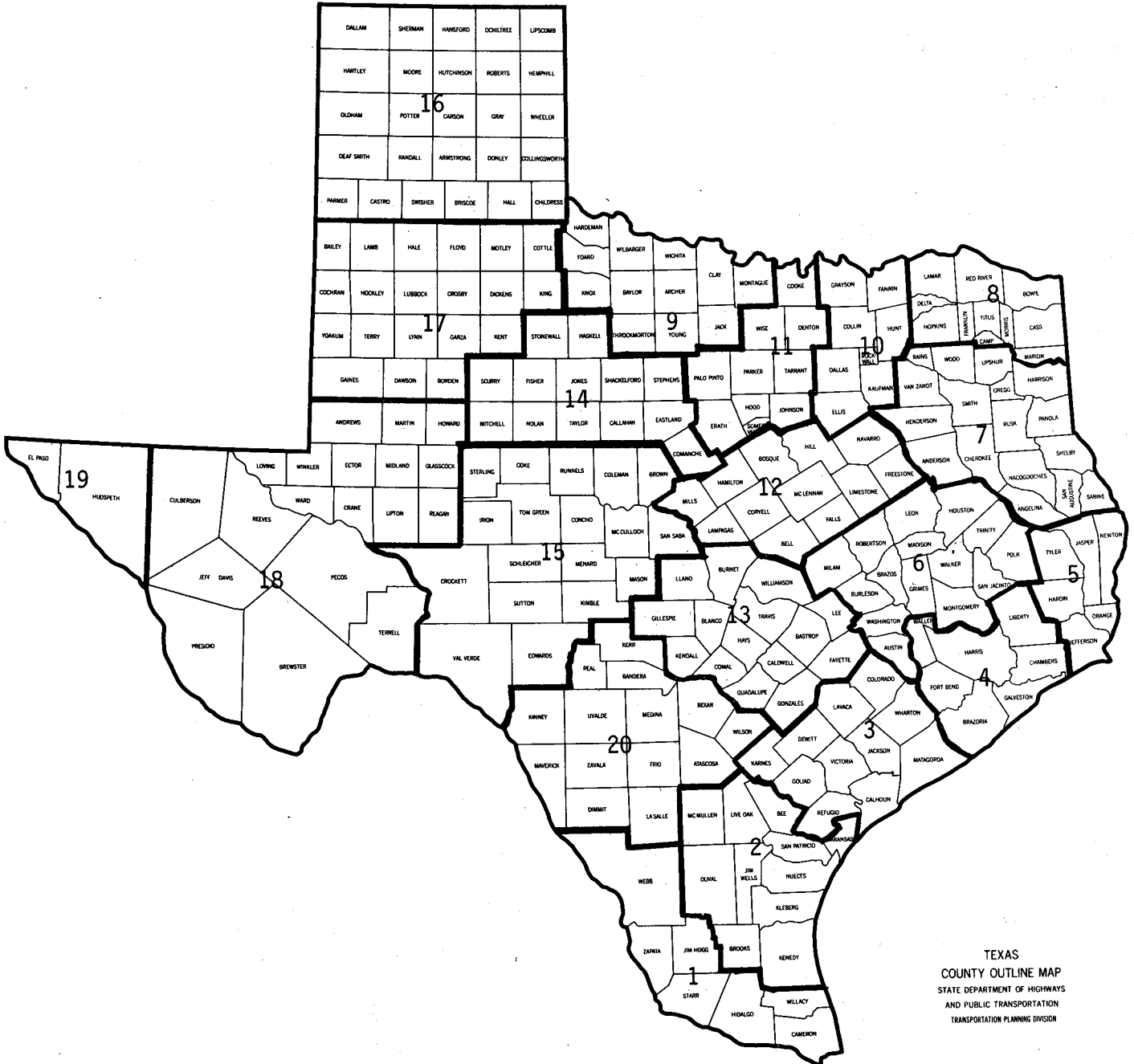
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TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY
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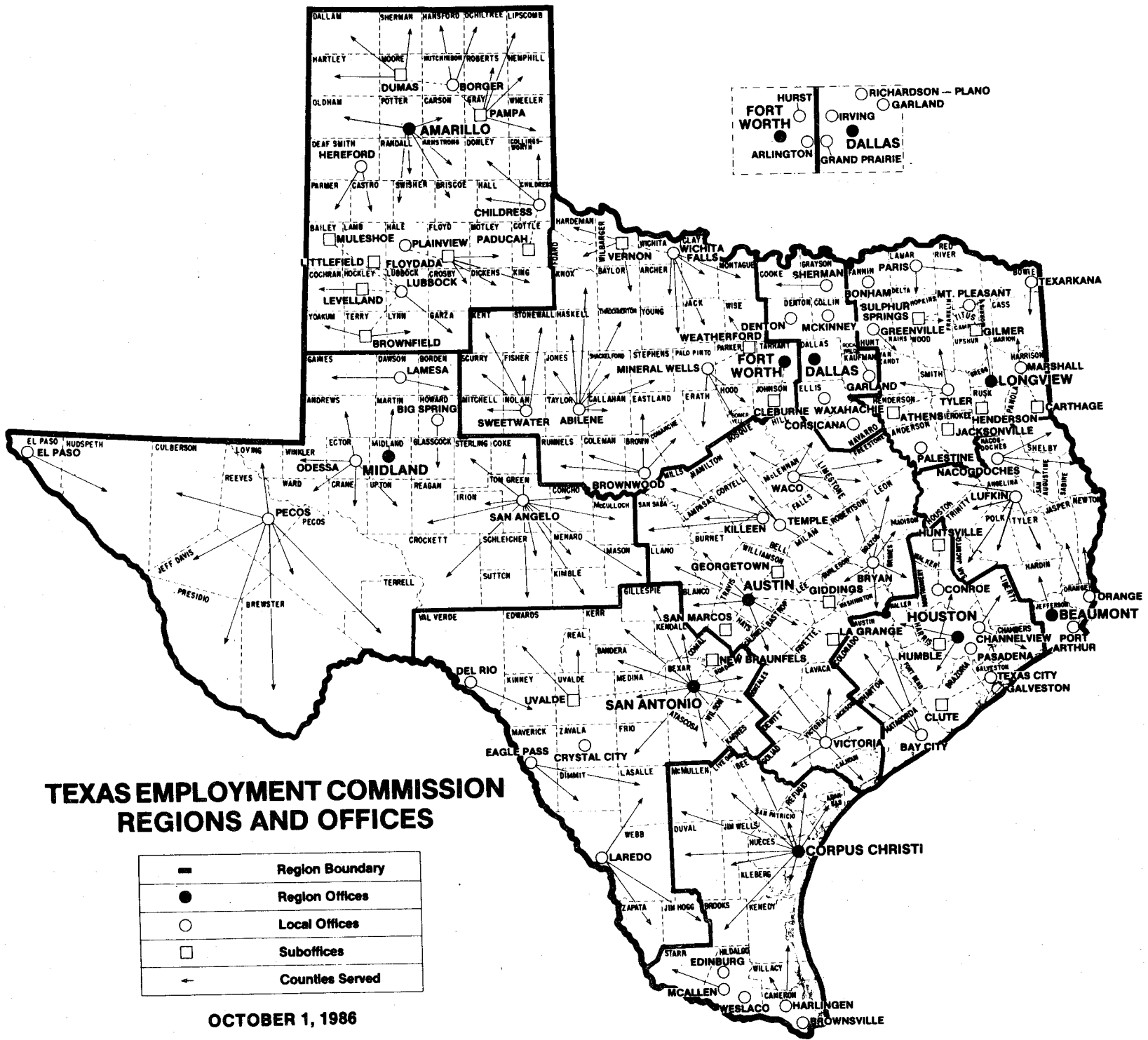
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 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING DIVISION

TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY

REGIONAL EDUCATION SERVICE CENTERS

1. Region I Education Service Center
1900 W. Schunior
Edinburg, TX 78539
512/383-5611
2. Region II Education Service Center
209 N. Water Street
Corpus Christi, TX 78401
512/883-9288
3. Region III Education Service Center
1905 Leary Lane
Victoria, TX 77901
512/573-0731
4. Region IV Education Service Center
P. O. Box 863
Houston, TX 77001
Location: 7200 West Tidwell
713/462-7708
5. Region V Education Service Center
2295 Delaware Street
Beaumont, TX 77703
409/835-5212
6. Region VI Education Service Center
3332 Montgomery Road
Huntsville, TX 77340
409/295-9161
7. Region VII Education Service Center
P. O. Drawer 1622
Kilgore, TX 75662
Location: 818 E. Main St.
214/984-3071
8. Region VIII Education Service Center
P. O. Box 1894
Mt. Pleasant, TX 75455
214/572-8551
9. Region IX Education Service Center
301 Loop 11
Wichita Falls, TX 76305
817/322-6928
10. Region X Education Service Center
P. O. Box 1300
Richardson, TX 75080
Location: 400 E. Spring Valley Rd.
214/231-6301

11. Region XI Education Service Center
3001 N. Freeway
Fort Worth, TX 76106
817/625-5311
12. Region XII Education Service Center
P. O. Box 1249
Waco, TX 76703
Location: 401 Franklin Avenue
817/756-7494
13. Region XIII Education Service Center
5701 Springdale Road
Austin, TX 78723
512/929-1313
14. Region XIV Education Service Center
Rt. 1 P. O. Box 70A
Abilene, TX 79601
Location: 1850 St Hwy 351
915/676-8201
15. Region XV Education Service Center
P. O. Box 5199
San Angelo, TX 76902
Location: 612 S. Irene St.
915/658-6571
16. Region XVI Education Service Center
P. O. Box 30600
Amarillo, TX 79120
Location: 1601 S. Cleveland
806/376-5521
17. Region XVII Education Service Center
4000 22nd Place
Lubbock, TX 79410
806/792-4000
18. Region XVIII Education Service Center
P. O. Box 6020
Midland, TX 79701
Location: LaForce Blvd.
915/563-2380
19. Region XIX Education Service Center
P. O. Box 10716
El Paso, TX 79997
Location: 6611 Boeing Drive
915/779-3737
20. Region XX Education Service Center
1314 Hines Avenue
San Antonio, TX 78208
512/271-7611



TEXAS EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION REGIONS AND OFFICES

—	Region Boundary
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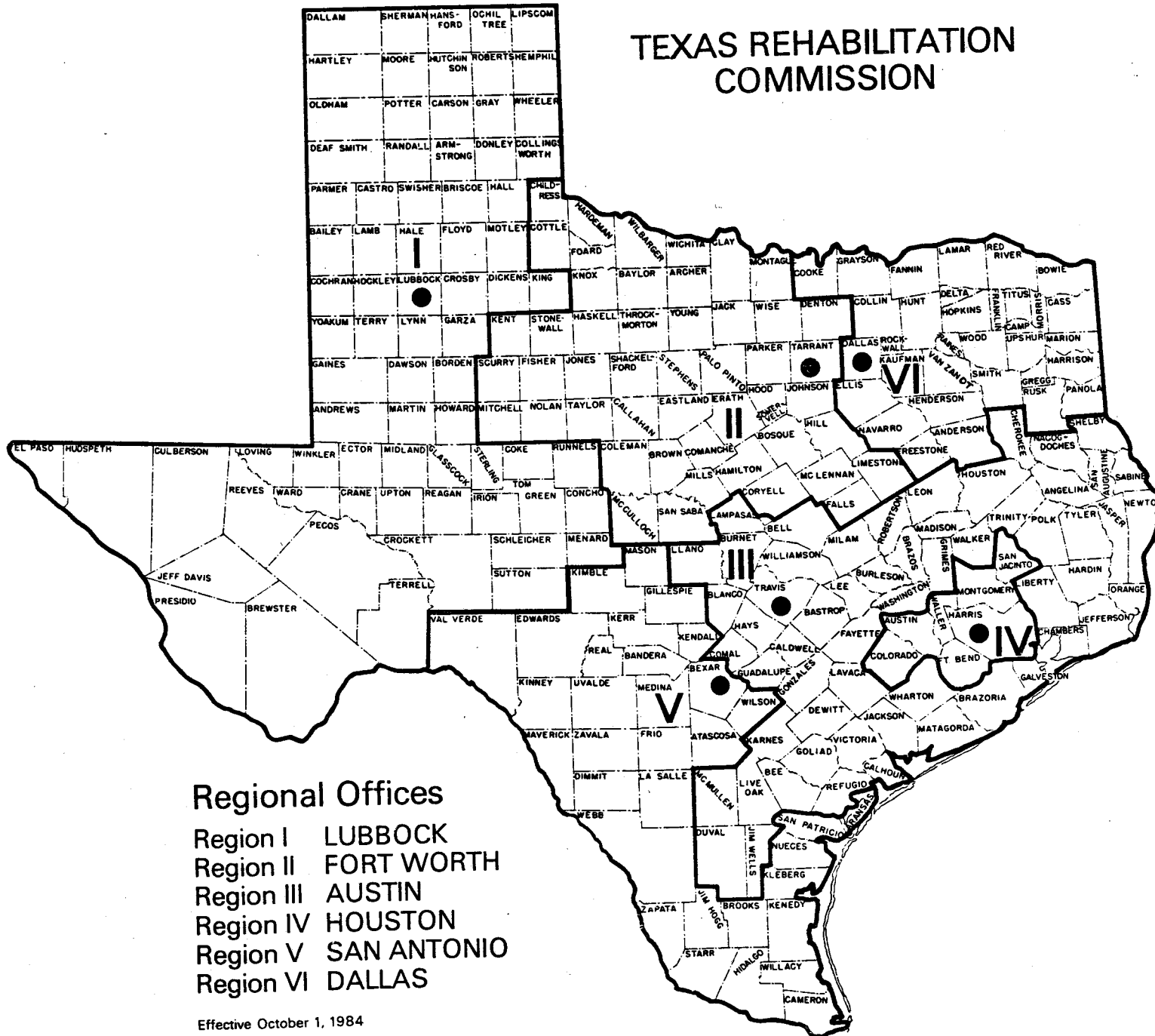
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TEXAS EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION
Directory Of Local Offices

CITY	ADDRESS	CITY	ADDRESS	CITY	ADDRESS
Abilene	826 Hickory St.	El Paso - Downtown	616-618 N. Santa Fe St.	Mineral Wells	2101 E. Hubbard
Amarillo	1206 W. Seventh St.	El Paso - East	7814 Gateway Blvd., East	Mt. Pleasant	1902 W. Ferguson Rd.
Amarillo - Casual Labor	1020 W. Sixth St.	Floydada	231 W. California	Muleshoe - Suboffice	121 Ave. C
Arlington	979 N. Cooper	Fort Worth - Downtown	301 W. 13th St.	Nacogdoches	2103 South St.
Athens - Suboffice	218 A S. Palestine St.	Galveston	1922 Sealy Ave.	New Braunfels - Suboffice	844 N. Walnut
Austin - Central	1215 Guadalupe St.	Garland	217 — 10th St.	Odessa	315-317 E. Fifth St.
Austin - North	2417 Ashdale Dr.	Georgetown - Suboffice	107 E. 9th St.	Orange	841 Dal Sasso
Austin - Riverside	1124 IH 35 South	Giddings - Suboffice	563 W. Boundary, NW Park	Paducah - Suboffice	Cottle Co. Courthouse
Austin - South	1637 W. Ben White Blvd.	Gilmer - Suboffice	218 E. Jefferson	Palestine	2209 S. Loop 256
Bay City	3614 Ave. F	Grand Prairie	202 W. Highway 303	Pampa - Suboffice	Coronado Shopping Center
Beaumont	405 Magnolia St.	Greenville	4515 Stonewall	Paris	165 Sixth St., SE
Big Spring	310 Owens	Harlingen	601 E. Harrison St.	Pasadena	3201 Spencer Hwy.
Bonham	1201 E. Sam Rayburn Dr.	Henderson - Suboffice	2321 Hwy. 79 So.	Pecos	215 W. Second St.
Borger	103 W. 4th	Hereford	403 W. Seventh St.	Plainview	1030 N. Broadway
Brownfield - Suboffice	Terry Co. Courthouse	Houston - Downtown	2613 Austin St.	Port Arthur	4430 75th St.
Brownsville	245 E. Levee St.	Houston - West Parker	455 W. Parker Rd.	Port Arthur - Suboffice	535 7th St.
Brownwood	2202 Hwy. 377 South	Houston - Homestead		Richardson - Plano	1240 E. Campbell Rd., Ste. 202
Bryan	801 E. 29th St.	Tidwell	10019C Homestead	San Angelo	120-122 S. Oakes St.
Carthage - Suboffice	323 S. Sheiby	Houston - Employer Services	2918 San Jacinto	San Antonio - Downtown	330 Dwyer
Channelview	913 Ashland Blvd.	Houston - South Loop	5959 Long Dr.	San Antonio WIN - Lone Oak	
Childress	119 Third St., NW	Houston - Southwest	10782-A Bellaire Blvd.	Mall	915 S.W. W. White Rd.
Cleburne - Suboffice	1301(E) W. Henderson	Houston - WIN	2613 Austin	San Antonio - Castle Hills	1015 Jackson Keller Rd.
Clute - Suboffice	815 Dixie Dr. 10-A	Houston - NW	13603 Westland East Blvd.	San Antonio - So. Park Mall	2310 SW Military Dr.
Conroe	808 W. Dallas St.	Houston - Spring Branch	10125 Emnora	San Antonio - Bandera Road	2015 Bandera Rd.
Corpus Christi - Central	520 N. Staples	Humble - Suboffice	Deerbrook Plaza 1	San Antonio - Terrell Plaza	1248 Austin Hwy.
Corsicana	720 N. Beaton		9802 FM 1960, Ste. 180	San Marcos - Suboffice	102 N. LBJ Dr.
Crystal City	700 E. Lake	Huntsville - Suboffice	1302 Sam Houston	Sherman	219 W. Pecan St.
Dallas - King Com. Center	2922 MLK Jr. Blvd.	Hurst - Mid Cities	1225 Precenct Line Rd.	Sulphur Springs - Suboffice	143 College St.
Dallas - Westmoreland		Irving	201 S. Rogers Rd.	Sweetwater	121 E. Third
Heights	3217 Dawes Dr.	Jacksonville - Suboffice	308-A W. Larissa	Temple	301 W. Avenue G
Dallas - Central City	*125, 2405 Cedar Springs Road	Killeen	808 N. Eighth St.	Texarkana	1120 Wood St.
Dallas - Lancaster-Kiest	408 Lancaster-Kiest	La Grange	252 N. Washington	Texas City	101 29th St., N
	Shopping Center	Lamesa	1012 N. Dallas St.	Tyler	1520 W. Front St.
Dallas - East	313 Pleasant Grove Mall	Laredo	5500 Tesoro Plaza	Uvalde - Suboffice	300 E. Main
Dallas - West Labor	811 N. Westmoreland	Levelland - Suboffice	1212 Houston	Vernon - Suboffice	Wilbarger Co. Courthouse
Dallas - Northwest	1718 Trinity Valley	Littlefield - Suboffice	Lamb Co. Courthouse	Victoria	1301 E. Rio Grande St.
Del Rio	700-A E. Gibbs	Longview	412 S. High St.	Waco	925 Columbus Ave.
Denton	510 I-35 E North	Lubbock	1602 - 16th St.	Waco - Lake Air Suboffice	1545 Wooded Acres
Dumas - Suboffice	104 W. 8th	Lubbock - Casual Labor	1805 Texas Ave.	Waxahachie	103-105 Grand St.
Eagle Pass	415 Monroe St.	Lufkin	413 Chestnut	Weatherford - Suboffice	110 Throckmorton
Edinburg	124 E. Stubbs St.	Marshall	415 E. Burleson St.	Weslaco	1002 East Expressway
El Paso - Metro	616-618 N. Sante Fe St.	McAllen	400 E. Hackberry	Wichita Falls - Central	1101 - 11th St.
El Paso - Chelmont Center	920 Chelsea St.	McKinney	501 N. Kentucky St.	Wichita Falls - Callfield Rd.	3800 Callfield Rd.
El Paso - Northeast	5735 Will Ruth Ave.	Midland	501 N. Loraine St.		

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TEXAS REHABILITATION COMMISSION



Regional Offices

- Region I LUBBOCK
- Region II FORT WORTH
- Region III AUSTIN
- Region IV HOUSTON
- Region V SAN ANTONIO
- Region VI DALLAS

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REGIONAL OFFICES

REGION I

Lubbock Regional Office
14 Briercroft Office Park
Lubbock, Texas 79412
(806) 762-0375

REGION II

Fort Worth Regional Office
3005 Alta Mere
Fort Worth, Texas 76116
(817) 731-7343

REGION III

Austin Regional Office
2900 South I-35, Suite 205
Austin, Texas 78704
(512) 447-0616

REGION IV

Houston Regional Office
7211 Regency Square Blvd., Suite 150
Houston, Texas 77036
(713) 977-2613

REGION V

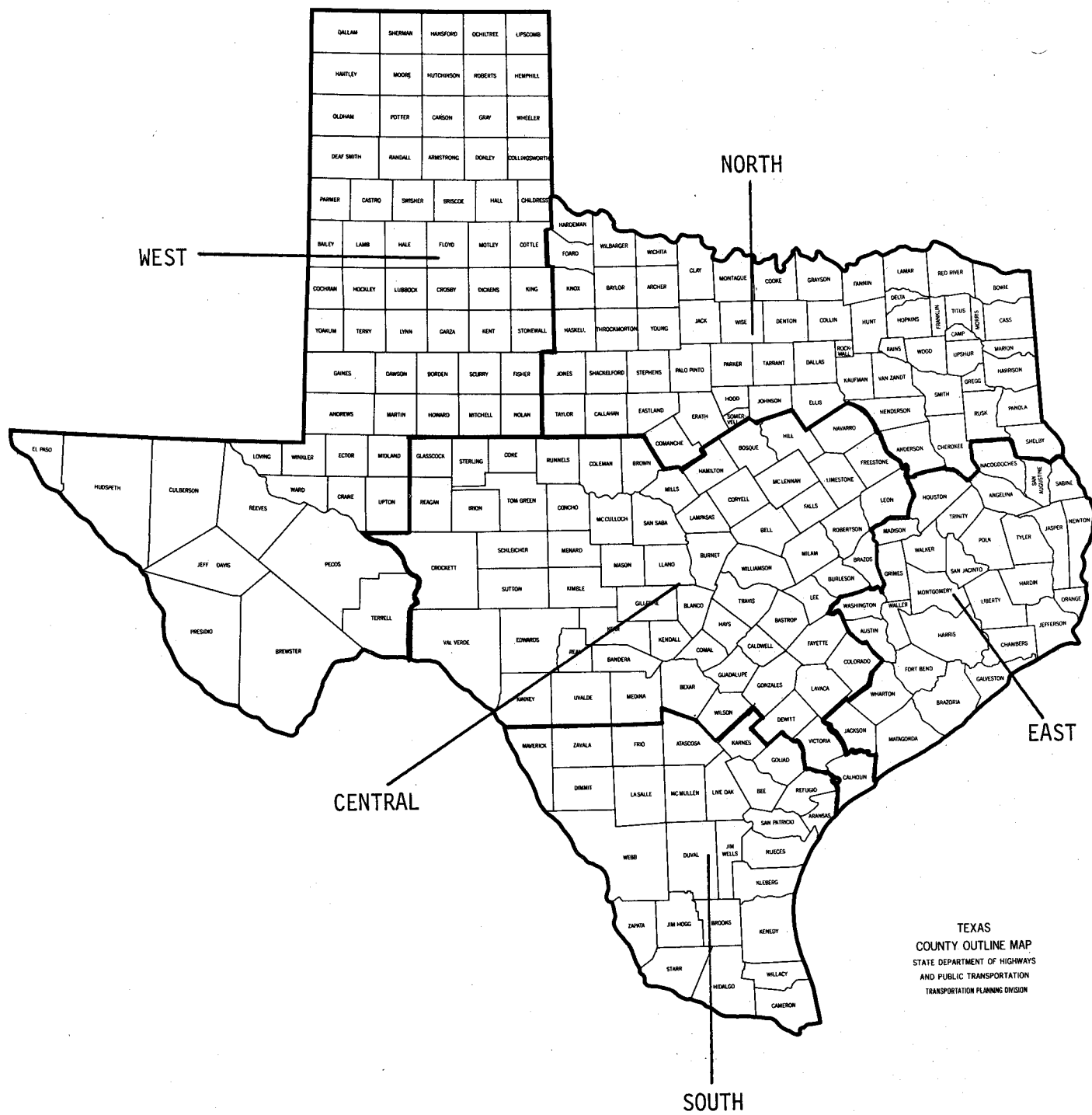
San Antonio Regional Office
5805 Callaghan Road, Suite 311
San Antonio, Texas 78228
(512) 680-2091

REGION VI

Dallas Regional Office
13612 Midway Road, Suite 530
Farmers Branch, Texas 75244
(214) 387-8695

TEXAS YOUTH COMMISSION

REGIONAL BOUNDARIES



TEXAS YOUTH COMMISSIONS

REGIONAL OFFICES

SOUTH

P. O. Box 809
Edinburg, TX 78540
512/380-0365

WEST

1170 Westmoreland
Suite 238
El Paso, TX 79925
915/778-3351

EAST

3901 Westheimer
Suite 301
Houston, TX 77027
713/629-0081

CENTRAL

105 W. Riverside
Suite 105
Austin, TX 78704
512/478-2712

NORTH

c/o Dallas House
7929 Military Parkway
Dallas, TX 75227
214/388-5498

TOLL FREE NUMBERS

Provided with assistance from Information and Referral Service of United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County, the United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast (Houston), and United Way of Texas.

Abortion Information Bureau.....	1-800-321-0575
Information on abortion and options that are available.	
Action.....	1-800-424-8580
Peace Corps, RSVP, Foster Grandparent Program.	
Advocacy Incorporated.....	1-800-252-9180
Advocates rights of developmentally disabled Texans and implements client assistance program.	
Aging, Department on.....	1-800-252-9240
Information referral for older Texans. Services for nutrition, transportation, medical and legal counseling, employment, outreach and escort service, ombudsman services (nursing home complaints), physical fitness program, homemaker and home health care.	
AIDS Hotline.....	1-800-342-2437
Recording to inform you of the cause and prevention of AIDS. (Recording)	
Amigos de las Americas.....	1-800-231-7796
Volunteer opportunities for health care in Latin America.	
Attorney General's Office (Child Support Division).....	1-800-252-3515
Provides the general public with a single point of reference for all divisions, sections and committees, particularly Child Support Enforcement Services.	
AWEDS (American Women's Economic Development Corporation).....	1-800-222-AWED
Counseling and training for women who want to start a business.	
Blind (Commission for the) Austin, Texas.....	1-800-252-5204
Information to the blind or visually handicapped regarding services available or other sources of assistance. Monitored by executive and staff 8:00 - 5:00.	
Blind (Texas School for the).....	1-800-TSB-KARE
Information on services available to blind or visually impaired children.	
Cancer Information Service of Texas.....	1-800-422-6237
M.D. Anderson Hospital	1-800-4CA-NCER
Information on the detection, diagnosis, and treatment of cancer. Gives emotional support to caller and referral options for cancer related services in the vicinity of the person calling.	

- Child Abuse Hotline.....1-800-4-A-CHILD
 Counseling over the phone, counseling and information referrals,
 volunteer information referrals, and literature requests. Open
 7 days, 24 hours a day.
- Child Find (Does not locate missing children).....1-800-392-2761
 General information about special educational services for children
 of all handicaps.
- Cocaine Hotline.....1-800-COCAINE
 Treatment, referral and information service.
- Comptroller of Public Accounts-Austin, Texas.....1-800-252-5555
 Provides the public a single point of contact for tax information.
- Defense Nuclear Agency.....1-800-336-3068
 Information for veterans involved in nuclear bomb tests.
- Easter Seal Action Line.....1-800-492-5555
 Information for handicapped.
- Election Division.....1-800-252-3043
 Provides election information.
- Elections Information.....1-800-252-9602
 Advise voters on registration matters, final disclosure of
 candidates. Also investigates fraud in election.
- Employees Retirement System.....1-800-252-3645
 Answers questions and gives information concerning retirement
 benefits and insurance.
- Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.....1-800-424-8590
 Information for those who have questions involving housing
 discrimination.
- Farm Finance Program.....1-800-292-FARM
 Information on farms and ranch programs for eligible farmers and
 ranchers. Also, provides information on low interest loans.
- Federal Community Education Clearinghouse.....1-800-424-8874
 Information related to community education.
- Federal Student Education Center.....1-800-638-6700
 Provides information on financial aid programs available for Post-
 Secondary Education.
- Governor's Citizen Assistance Office.....1-800-252-9600
 General information on state agencies and offices.

Governor's Crime Victim Clearinghouse.....1-800-252-3423
Information and referral. Offers technical assistance, services provided on crime victim issues. Does not assist in finding lawyers or any type of counseling.

Health Department (Immunization Division).....1-800-252-9152
Information for infant immunization, surveillance program. Report any rash, fever, or illness within the state.

Health Service Corps.....1-800-442-7142
Information on the placement of licensed health professionals in (Texas)
rural areas, specifically Health Man-Power shortage areas. 1-800-527-9052
(Outside Texas)

Human Services (Dept. of) Child/Elderly/Handicapped.....1-800-252-5400
Abuse Hotline
Receives reports of abuse and neglect of children, elderly, handicapped and offers referrals to local resources in the area of residency. 24 Hrs.

Human Services (Dept. of) Income Assistance Services Austin, Texas.....1-800-252-9330
General information on Food Stamp Regulations and AFDC. Handles complaints from clients.

Human Services (Dept. of) Medical Transportation.....1-800-292-7353
San Antonio, Texas
Medical transportation for non-emergency medicaid recipient cases. Region nine only.

Human Services (Dept. of) Medical Transportation Lubbock, Texas.....1-800-629-4182
Medical transportation for non-emergency medical recipient cases. Regions 1 and 2 only.

Human Services (Dept. of) Medical Transportation.....1-800-392-1011
Medical transportation for non-emergency medical recipient cases. Region ten only.

Human Services (Dept. of) Medical Transportation Jasper, Texas.....1-800-833-0195
Medical transportation for non-emergency medical recipient cases. Region 7 and 11 only.

Information and Referral.....1-800-792-3022
Senior Citizen information is provided.

Internal Revenue Service.....1-800-492-4830
Answers questions pertaining to income taxes and returns.

Insurance (State Board of) Austin, Texas.....1-800-252-9620
For use by insurance companies and agents to obtain specific fire and extended coverage rates.

- Ladies Center, Inc.....1-800-327-9880
Answers any questions regarding birth control.
- Lawyer Referral Service.....1-800-252-9690
Refers people to lawyers in their area.
- Lawyer Referral Service.....1-800-252-3072
Provides a name of a local lawyer to people in need. Deals mainly with rural areas of Texas.
- Library (Texas State).....1-800-252-9605
Means for visually or physically handicapped to make requests for library material. Reference services for the handicapped or learning disabled. Recording of books about Texas and in Spanish.
- Library (Texas State) (Blind & Physically Handicapped Div).....1-800-252-9132
Pleasure reading materials for the blind and physically disabled.
- Library (Texas State) (Development Division).....1-800-252-9386
Handles requests for library science material and video cassette tapes.
- Migrant Farm Workers.....1-800-392-8367
Federally funded training and placement program for migrant and seasonal farm workers.
- Military Benefits Association.....1-800-336-0100
Explains about benefits to the Military.
- National Migrant Referral.....1-800-252-9446
Health care continuity for migrant patients, information on immunization for migrant children, limited medical information. In coordination with the Migrant Student Record Transfer System.
- National Runaway Switchboard.....1-800-621-4000
Receives and gives messages to the runaway and the runaway's family.
- National V.D. Hotline.....1-800-227-8922
Defines V.D., its symptoms, and how to get help.
- NTIS/Department of Commerce.....1-800-336-4700
Handles the distribution of government-funded research publications.
- Nursing Home Complaints.....1-800-252-9106
Sponsored by Texas Department of Health for nursing home complaints.
- Organ Donor Hotline.....1-800-24-DONOR
For health care professionals to call and either obtain information on organ donation or to refer a potential organ donor.
- Parents Anonymous.....1-800-421-0353
For abusive parents to call in and receive counseling over the telephone.

Property Tax Board (State) Austin, Texas.....1-800-252-9121
 Technical assistance in taxing to the general public.

Runaway Hotline.....1-800-392-3352
 Receives call from runaways. Relays messages between runaways 1-800-231-6946
 and their parents. Provides referrals on matters such as general (Outside Texas)
 counseling, shelter information, and medical and legal counseling.
 Totally confidential.

Save the Children.....1-800-243-5075
 Fund raising organization for underprivileged children in other
 countries.

Selective Service System.....1-800-621-5388
 Information for young men who need to register for the draft.

Special Education Hotline (Texas Education Agency).....1-800-252-9668
 Information and referral on services offered in the Special Education
 Program.

State Bar of Texas (Center for Correctional Services).....1-800-252-9230
 Austin, Texas
 Appoints attorneys to represent indigent parolees, inmates and juveniles.
 Also, provides inmate legal services-appoints attorneys to investigate
 civil rights complaints.

State Comptroller's Office.....1-800-252-3208
 Collection and disbursement of State funds. Answers to questions
 concerning all taxes except employment and property.

Texas Department of Community Affairs.....1-800-252-9642
 Information and technical assistance relating to community
 development, housing, weatherization, manpower and youth services.

Texas Employment Commission.....1-800-252-9924
 Information concerning employment in Texas.

Texas Health Rabies Specimen Hotline.....1-800-252-8163
 For use by persons sending specimen of rabid animal(s). (Recording,
 all calls will
 be returned)

Texas Legal Protection Plan.....1-800-252-9346
 Group prepaid legal service program. Information and material on the
 services available through the program.

Texas Library for the Blind.....1-800-252-9605
 Free library for the blind for handicapped. Recorded books in braille
 and large print. Reference service for the handicapped.

- Texas Dept. of Mental Health/Mental Retardation.....1-800-252-8154
 (Client Services Hotline)
 Answers questions about TDMHMR services and clients' rights.
 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. M-F
- Texas Mental Health Code.....1-800-252-8225
 Mental health professionals, judges, lawyers 24 hours.
- Texas Tech University.....1-800-858-7378
 General information on pesticides, including poisoning and products.
 Makes referrals on emergency information and requests.
- Texas Veterans Affairs Commission.....1-800-252-3036
 Files claims for veteran benefits for the State of Texas or Federal.
 Handles eligibility certification for Texas veterans housing
 assistance and trains veterans county service officers.
- Veterans Land Board.....1-800-252-3379
 Funding to Veterans for the purchase of land and homes.
- Veterans Land Office.....1-800-252-3239
 Provides veterans a means in purchasing home (Home Assistance
 Program) and land (Land Program-minimum of ten acres).
- West Texas Legal Services.....1-800-772-5867
 Handles civil case, divorces, consumer problems, social security
 benefits, housing and medical cases for low income families. Areas
 served: Lubbock, Midland, Wichita Falls, San Angelo.
- Women's Advocacy Project.....1-800-221-3247
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