

2015 TCOG ANNUAL REPORT

# Kids Matter

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aging services

FRANCES, AN FGP VOLUNTEER, WORKS WITH STUDENT AT AN AREA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



## PROMOTING LIFELONG INDEPENDENCE

TCOG's Aging Services Department provides a network of senior programs including information and referral, case management, nutrition, in-home services, benefits counseling, home repair, and day health care — all while emphasizing ease of access.

Aging Services is responsible for the development and coordination of a comprehensive system of services for citizens over the age of 60 and/

or with a disability; our professionally-trained staff helps these individuals live with dignity and choices in their homes and communities for as long as possible. This department provides free consultation on long-term care choices, support and navigation of complex service delivery systems – ultimately serving nearly **14,800** clients and providing over **\$1.1 million** of services to our region last year.

## BENEFITS COUNSELING AND OTHER SERVICES

TCOG's Benefits Counseling program is designed to assist persons over the age of 60 and/or with a disability with the complexities of public benefits including benefit awareness, eligibility determination, application & advocacy. This program also serves Medicare beneficiaries with disabilities and provides benefits counseling to those under 60 years of age. During the past year, clients received over 2,000 hours of counseling.

The Money Management Program provides bill payer & representative payee services to individuals in danger of losing their independence because of their inability to manage their finances.

The Information & Referral program provides assistance in locating resources and services for persons over the age of 60. Last year IRA assisted nearly 6,300 clients.



*TCOG Advocates for children  
who are on Medicare.*

## NURSING HOME OMBUDSMAN

TCOG's Ombudsman Program is responsible for monitoring the quality of care for residents in long term care facilities. Dedicated volunteers and staff are trained and certified by the State to participate in nursing home open hearings, research complaints and ensure the best possible care for the residents of long-term facilities throughout the Texoma Region. Over 1,250 hours of service were provided for the advocacy of seniors in nursing and assisted care facilities last year.



The Local Elder Assistance Partners (LEAP) group is pictured contributing 28 backpacks w/basic school supplies in the Grandparents As Parents Back to School Drive. Participating Texoma agencies are home health, hospices,

hospitals, DME's, nursing and assisted living facilities, as well as TCOG employees. The grandparents raising their grandchildren are part of the Caregiver Program at TCOG's Area Agency on Aging.

## CARE COORDINATION

TCOG's Care Coordination Program is a community-based home care program administered by dedicated case workers. Services are available to persons 60+ years of age who are homebound, unable to care for themselves, and/or recently

discharged from area hospitals requiring temporary in-home care. This program provided almost 1,400 hours of service to Senior's last year enabling these seniors to continue independent living.

## CARE COORDINATION ASSISTANCE

### **Congregate and Home Delivered Meals**

Over **131,000** Home Delivered meals were provided in the Texoma area at \$717,164 and 48,393 congregate meals totaling nearly \$240,000

### **Residential Repair**

Minor home repairs provided to **41 homes** in the Texoma region totaling nearly \$28,000

### **Transportation**

**141 one-way rides** provided to seniors requiring transportation for medical purposes

### **Health Maintenance**

Nearly **\$317,000** spent in dental, hearing aid, and eye glass assistance services

### **Evidence Based Intervention**

More than **\$1,700** spent for medication dosage alert systems

## VOLUNTEERING FOR KIDS



**44** Foster Grandparents serving in schools, day cares and community centers

**35,384** hours given to children in the community

**623** volunteers serving in various capacities

**87,827** hours volunteered in 2014-15

**\$2.17m** value of hours volunteered during this fiscal year



### THE IMPACT OF VOLUNTEERISM

## WHO

benefits more from these volunteers? The children? The volunteers? Or the community?



125

Number of children in Texoma mentored and assisted by Foster Grandparents this year alone

## CAREGIVER SERVICES

TCOG's Caregiver Program is an ongoing process to assess the needs of a caregiver and care recipient by planning, arranging, coordinating and providing services.

Programs include Caregiver Support Groups, Community Outreach, Respite Care, and Education and Training for Alzheimer's, Parkinson's disease and other caregivers.

Last year this team provided over **3,191** hours of service, and provided outreach to more than 900 clients.

## SENIOR CORPS

The Texoma Retired and Senior Volunteer Program placed **623** volunteers in 72 sites where they served in various capacities and provided meals in our tri-county area.



*RSVP volunteers served 87,827 hours during the 2014-2015 fiscal year*

According to Independent Sector's Value of Volunteer Time calculator, this equates to a monetary value of \$2,165,816 (\$24.66 per hour in the state of Texas in 2014).



*5 Lifetime Service Awards given to individuals this year who each volunteered over 4,000 service hours*



client services

## LIFE-CHANGING RESOURCES

Whether providing affordable housing, self-sufficiency programs, home weatherization applications, assistance with utility bills or referrals to crucial social services, the common goal of the Client Services Programs is to **give families hope**. By thoughtfully and strategically planning for the future needs of our region, TCOG

continues to improve the level of services which in turn improves quality of life for all Texomans.

The Client Services Department specializes in the delivery of direct services to qualified families living in the Texoma Region and includes the Public Housing Program, Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher

Program, Energy Services Program, 2-1-1 Information and Referral Program, and the Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Texoma.

These programs are supported with state and federal funds and offer families a better tomorrow by providing life-changing resources today.



## ADRC OF TEXOMA

The ADRC of Texoma provides people of all ages and income levels with a broad range of direct referrals to public and private long-term services and supports. The center specializes in providing personal one-on-one consultation to each client including: long-term care counseling, individualized referrals, benefits counseling, program eligibility determination, and program enrollment assistance.

ADRC of Texoma now averages **320 calls per month**.

## 2-1-1 INFORMATION & REFERRAL

Dialing the 3-digit phone number 2-1-1 provides those in need with referrals to critical health and human services as well as community resources and government assistance.

Texas has twenty-five (25) 2-1-1 call centers. Each one is a local operation with services that reflect local needs and concerns. TCOG's 211 Program answered more than **42,000 calls during the past year** and provided referrals for

needs such as: mental health, veteran's benefits, homelessness, child care subsidies and disability assistance.

The program is funded through Texas Health and Human Services. *To learn more visit [www.211texas.org](http://www.211texas.org)* ▶



*Last year, 211 Texoma published a Veteran's Resource Guide filled with resources to address the needs of those who've served our country.*



TOP FIVE RECORDED NEEDS  
2014-2015



**10.98%** Electric Bill Payment Assistance (4,695 Calls)

**10.44%** Food Pantries (4,464 Calls)

**4.97%** Rent Payment Assistance (2,127 Calls)

**2.64%** Prescription Expense Assistance (1,130 Calls)

**2.54%** Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers (1,087 Calls)

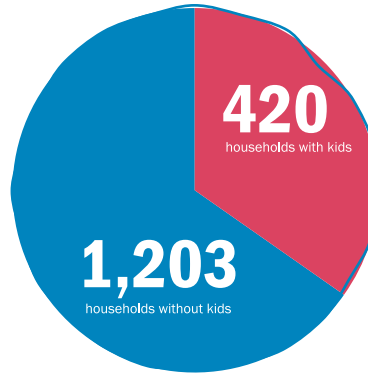
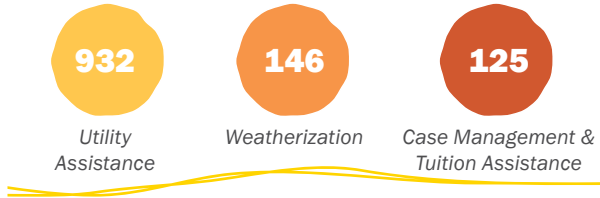


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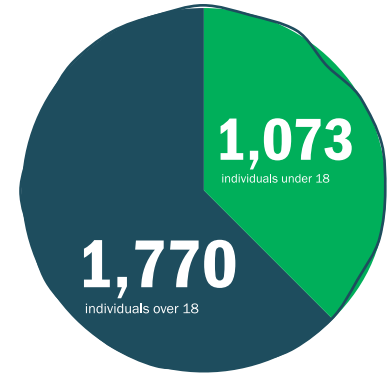
**HOW**

do these statistics play a role in assessing the needs of children in our communities?

## Number of Households Served



Number of Households With and Without Children



Number of Individuals in Households

During the past year, \$1,866,597 in direct services were provided to 1,203 households (2,843 individuals).

## ENERGY SERVICES

TCOG Energy Services is composed of three (3) separate programs including: *Weatherization, Utility Assistance and Case Management.*

The Weatherization Program provides the installation of energy-saving applications to homes; **reducing energy consumption up to 40%** and thereby lowering utility costs.

The Utility Assistance Program provides co-payment of gas, propane and electric utilities and the provision of supportive services for educating clients on how to conserve energy in an effort to transition low-income families out of poverty and off public assistance.

The Case Management Program provides one-on-one support to families striving

for self-sufficiency by providing assistance with the cost of training or education which will lead them out of poverty.

Priority households for these services include elderly, disabled and families with children under the age of six.

### FSS/Homeownership

82 graduates since 1994  
102 active FSS/Homeownership  
Participants  
9 New Homeowners since 2004



### HUD-VASH

The Department of  
Veterans Affairs selected  
TCOG as one of 14  
housing authorities

in Texas to administer the Veterans  
Administration Supportive Housing  
(VASH) vouchers. These vouchers  
assist chronically-homeless veterans  
and their families in transitioning from  
homelessness to permanent housing.

### Money Follows the Person (MFP)

TCOG was one of 13 agencies in  
the State of Texas invited by HUD  
to participate in the MFP Demonstration.  
This pilot program allows Texans who  
are eligible for Medicaid and living in  
a nursing home to relocate back into  
the community and receive long-term  
services & support.

## SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM, FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY (FSS) & HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS

With an annual budget of over \$2 million,  
the Section 8 program provides afford-  
able housing to 500+ families in Fannin  
and Grayson counties. Families have  
the opportunity to participate in the  
Family Self-Sufficiency/Homeownership  
Program where they can achieve the goal  
of financial independence through sup-  
port services including: employment and  
educational training, credit counseling,  
and homeownership classes.



### Annual Share the Warmth Drive

Over 1,449 coats distributed to  
families during the winter of 2014

### Children of Positivity *January 22, 2015*

The main objective of this event was to  
promote positivity within households,  
with a special focus on children.

### Good Food Project Community Dinner

*May 16, 2015*

This event was a collaborative effort  
between the Good Food Project, TCOG,  
and other local organizations in order to  
make the public aware of the food crisis  
that currently exists in the Texoma area,  
specifically Fannin County.



**348** Children of families in Grayson  
County assisted by Section 8

**104** Children of families in Fannin  
County assisted by Section 8

## PUBLIC HOUSING STATISTICS

### grayson county

**59** school-aged  
children  
**29** under  
age 5

**43**  
families

**97**  
families

### fannin county

**152** school-aged  
children  
**53** under  
age 5

### collin county

**12** school-aged  
children  
**5** under  
age 5

**12**  
families

**5**  
families

### hunt county

**5** school-aged  
children  
**5** under  
age 5



**HAPPY HOMES**

**TCOG**

provides safe and affordable housing to kids throughout  
the Texoma region with its housing programs.





*Children whose families participate in the Public Housing Program are provided with regular social and educational opportunities throughout the year including the Summer Youth Program as shown above.*

## PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAM

Texoma Housing Partners (THP) provides over 479 units of affordable housing across 18 cities in 4 counties as well as social and educational programs. The annual budget is over \$2.6 million dollars and TCOG is responsible for the management and maintenance of over \$26 million in real estate.

### **Teach, Empower, Assist and Motivate**

The TEAM Center provides public housing residents and the community access to a variety of social and educational programs such as tutoring for the GED test and ESL & adult literacy classes.



### **HOPE GED Program**

The HOPE GED Program is a collaborative effort made possible through the partnership of agencies serving on the Fannin County Literacy Council. TCOG's public housing program is a founding partner of the Literacy Council and provides the classroom and computer lab at the TEAM Center. Unlike conventional GED programs, the HOPE GED program offers an open entry-open exit GED program where students may work at their own pace.

Enrollment in the Helping Our People Excel (HOPE) GED Program:

**Bonham - 83**

**Honey Grove - 19**

*Of the 102 enrolled students, 21 are school age (17 or 18 years of age). To date, the HOPE GED Program has graduated over 125 students.*



planning & development

## COMMUNITY LEVEL QUALITY OF LIFE

From improvements in the way people get around the region to planning for the population increases that are projected in the next thirty years to making sure first responders have the training and equipment that they need to get to the scene of the

emergency when you call 9-1-1, the Planning & Development team is focused on finding regional solutions to the challenges the Texoma region faces & improving quality of life at the community level.



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#### DID YOU KNOW?

**26.2%** Children in Grayson County living in poverty.

**55%** Children in Cooke County Public Schools receiving free or reduced lunches.

**26.5%** Children in Fannin and Grayson Counties lacking access to enough food for active, healthy lifestyles.\*

#### Kids Matter Strategic Planning

In early 2015, representatives from the Texoma Region were invited to participate on the Children's Hospital Beyond ABC advisory board. When confronted with the facts, figures and statistics in the report, *2014 Beyond ABC - Assessing Children's Health in the North Texas Corridor*, the leadership of TCOG determined to do more than just issue more reports and decided to lead an effort to alleviate some of these conditions.

TCOG staff, working with interns from Austin College, presented this and additional data and information about children in the tri-county area and are facilitating strategic plans for each county by identifying the three or four most critical issues for that county.

\* 2014 Beyond ABC - Assessing Children's Health in the North Texas Corridor

## 2015 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### 9-1-1 Addressing

TCOG staff partners with Cooke County, Fanning County, Gunter, Van Alstyne and Whitewright on assigning addresses and developing maps that help first responders get to the right location as quickly as possible. This year alone we have assigned over 300 new addresses.

### Quality Assurance and Control

To ensure the highest quality and most reliable data, the GIS & Planning team initiated the start of a tedious process for quality assurance and quality control of GIS datasets in preparation for the upcoming Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG911) transition.

### Map Books

Our team of GIS professionals has produced and printed hundreds of maps and compiled a map book project consisting of layered datasets for Cooke County.

## GIS & PLANNING

Professionals in the GIS (Geographic Information Systems) Program create, analyze and manage geographic datasets and applications. These datasets include political jurisdictions, transportation networks, emergency management and environmental resources. Local governments and citizens rely on maps and data created by the TCOG GIS Program to make well-informed and often lifesaving decisions. The GIS Program helps promote geographic education in the region and provides a coordinating resource for GIS professionals in the region.



**NADO Innovation Award 2014**  
*Infrastructure and Asset Mapping  
project collaboration with Texoma  
Housing Partners*



[www.tcog.com/gis](http://www.tcog.com/gis)



### Whitewright

Our team is in the process of creating a city-wide GIS zoning map for the City of Whitewright by digitizing older paper zoning maps.

### Regional Planning Assistance

The GIS Program has assisted in areas of emergency response, environmental, land use, strategic, trail, and transportation planning.

Leveraging GIS allows regional planners and decision makers the ability to plan for the future with more confidence.



## COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

TCOG is designated as the Economic Development District (EDD) for Texoma by the Economic Development Administration (EDA).

The Texoma EDD provides technical assistance to industry practitioners and policymakers on specific projects & programs that promote development in the region.

## COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS)

The CEDS is a 5-year regional plan that provides a benchmark for the Texoma Economy and emphasizes regionalism as a key factor in the way communities should approach their economic development efforts.

*To learn more visit [www.texomaedd.org](http://www.texomaedd.org) ▶*

## CURRENT PROJECTS

### **Texoma Innovation Collaborative**

In 2015, TCOG staff began working with the City of Sherman with an Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant for the Texoma Innovation Collaborative to create infrastructure and entrepreneurship in Texoma.

### **Community Needs Assessment**

TCOG staff published a comprehensive report identifying the 5 greatest needs for each county and for the Texoma region collectively.

### **Community Service Block Grant**

In addition to other current projects, TCOG staff generated a Community Action Plan and Strategic Plan for serving low-income families.

A graphic with a yellow background and a black border. At the top, there is a horizontal bar with red, blue, and green segments. The text "HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE" is written in large, bold, black, sans-serif capital letters. Below this, the words "COLLECTION EVENTS" are written in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters inside a black rectangular box.

**HOUSEHOLD  
HAZARDOUS WASTE  
COLLECTION EVENTS**

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection**  
Collected and disposed of hazardous materials in April, including 14,000 lbs. of electronics which were diverted from area waters and environmentally-sensitive areas.

### **Disaster Debris Workshops**

TCOG staff provided a two-day workshop which covered disaster debris training, state and federal assistance management and community involvement by presenting the most current industry standards pertinent to the roles and responsibilities of attendees.

### **Whitewright Brownfields Grant Planning**

Staff worked with officials from the City of Whitewright on successfully securing a \$200,000 Brownfields Grant from the Environmental Protection Agency to help remediate dangerous structures and bring additional benefits like improving quality of life and environmental health to the community.

## **MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE**

The Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Grant Program provides both financial and technical assistance to city and county governments, school districts, and law enforcement districts in their efforts of combating illegal dumping, promoting recycling, and ultimately reducing the amount of waste introduced to local landfills.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### Mission Statement

Provide resources to Public Safety Agencies that serve the citizens of the Texoma Region.

### Vision Statement

To support and collaborate with area Public Safety Agencies ensuring fundamental protection and services to the citizens of Texoma.

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*PSAPs included in 9-1-1 Program: Bonham PD, Gainesville PD, Whitesboro PD, Cooke Co. Sheriff's Office, Fannin Co. Sheriff's Office, and Grayson Co. Sheriff's Office*

## 9-1-1 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

The TCOG 9-1-1 program utilizes state-of-the-art call-taking equipment that incorporates digital mapping applications in the six 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs). These PSAPs are responsible for emergency dispatch for more than fifty police, fire and emergency medical service agencies in the region.

- Successfully delivered **101,082** emergency calls for service - an average of 276/day
- TCOG is committed to Public Education and outreach to ensure that our citizens—especially children— know how and

when to call 9-1-1. **11,450** pieces of Public Education materials were distributed throughout the region, such as a coloring book with familiar characters from the Texas Commission on State Emergency Communications.





## HOMELAND SECURITY

*Emergency Management Planning:* The TCOG Homeland Security Advisory Committee works with TCOG and the Texas Department of Public Safety State Administrative Agency to facilitate Homeland Security Funding when awarded to our region.

■ Communication for our first responders is critical. In 2014, **\$225,584** in Homeland Security Funding was awarded to the Region for Communications Projects.

■ Facilitated the National Incident Management System (NIMS) training of **40 first responders** so that response to emergency situations is efficient and effective.

■ TCOG worked with Fannin County to update the Fannin County Multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan with all school districts invited to participate in the update. ISDs that participated in the update process now have the option to apply to FEMA for Mitigation Project Grants, such as school safe rooms.

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE

TCOG's Criminal Justice Program works with the law enforcement and victim advocacy communities in the Texoma region to make the best use of local, state and federal resources.

### Focused Efforts for Public Safety

■ Provide grant training and technical assistance to local agencies applying to the Office of the Governors, Criminal Justice Division for Criminal Justice related grants.

■ **\$280,661** awarded to local agencies for projects related to victim advocacy, law enforcement investigations, and juvenile delinquency prevention.

■ TCOG supports an annual process in the region to identify issues and possible solutions. The results of this process are included in the TCOG Community Plan which is located on our website at [www.tcog.com](http://www.tcog.com)

■ Agencies funded include: Bonham PD, Fannin Co. Juvenile Services, Abigail's Arms, Fannin Co. Crisis Center, Grayson Co. Women's Crisis Center, and Grayson County.

■ Last September, several school district administrators from Fannin County traveled to Oklahoma schools to tour safe rooms which had been funded by FEMA. To learn more about Mitigation Project Grants, visit [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)

**COMBINED STATEMENTS OF  
REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, &  
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES**

FISCAL YEARS ENDING (FYE)

APRIL 30, 2015

During FY2015, Texoma Council of Governments administered over **\$11.2 million** in federal, state and local programs.

TCOG also provided financial and administrative services to Texoma Housing Partners, a consortium

of 18 public housing authorities including the cities of Bells, Bonham, Celeste, Ector, Farmersville, Gunter, Honey Grove, Howe, Ladonia, Pottsboro, Princeton, Savoy, Tioga, Tom Bean, Trenton, Van Alstyne, Whitewright, and Windom.

## REVENUES

	2015	2014
FEDERAL	\$6,605,838	\$6,185,083
STATE	\$1,971,476	\$1,644,156
LOCAL & IN-KIND	\$2,654,363	\$3,019,234
INTEREST	\$241	\$144
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$11,231,918</b>	<b>\$10,848,617</b>

## EXPENDITURES

### OPERATIONAL

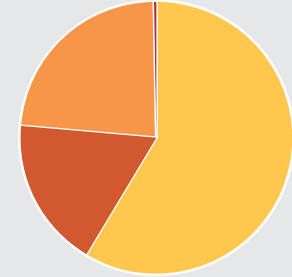
Direct Salaries	\$1,894,943	\$1,911,688
Benefit Program Costs	\$924,885	\$1,069,551
Indirect Costs	\$925,403	\$843,791
Travel	\$85,652	\$76,417
Supplies	\$103,386	\$123,382
Contracted Services	\$157,935	\$151,143
Capital Outlay	\$743,132	\$262,337
Other Direct Costs	\$176,716	\$432,370
Subcontracts	\$2,263,989	\$1,900,600
In-kind Services	\$91,848	\$132,161
Other	\$3,764,924	\$3,993,499
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$11,132,813</b>	<b>\$10,896,939</b>

Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures      \$99,105      (\$48,322)

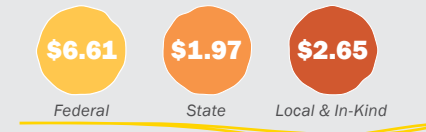
## CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE

Net Change in Fund Balance\*      \$555,274      (\$61,160)  
 Fund Balance Beginning of Year\*      \$123,373      \$184,533

**FUND BALANCE END OF YEAR\***      **\$678,647**      **\$123,373**

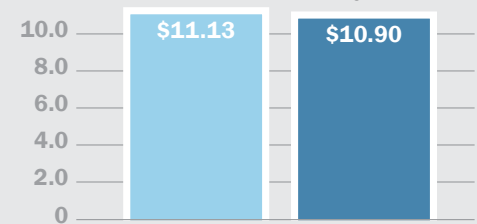


Total Revenue by Source (in millions)



2015

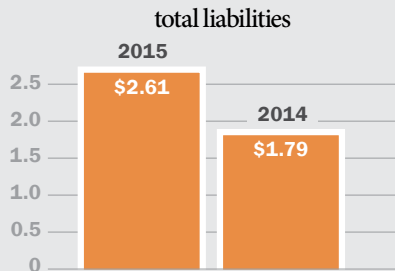
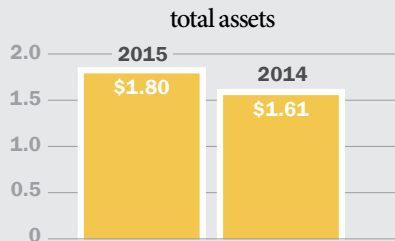
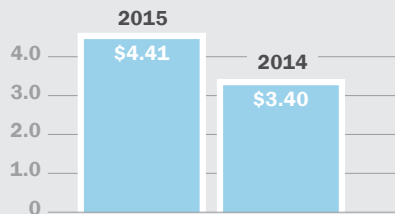
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Total Expenditures (in millions)

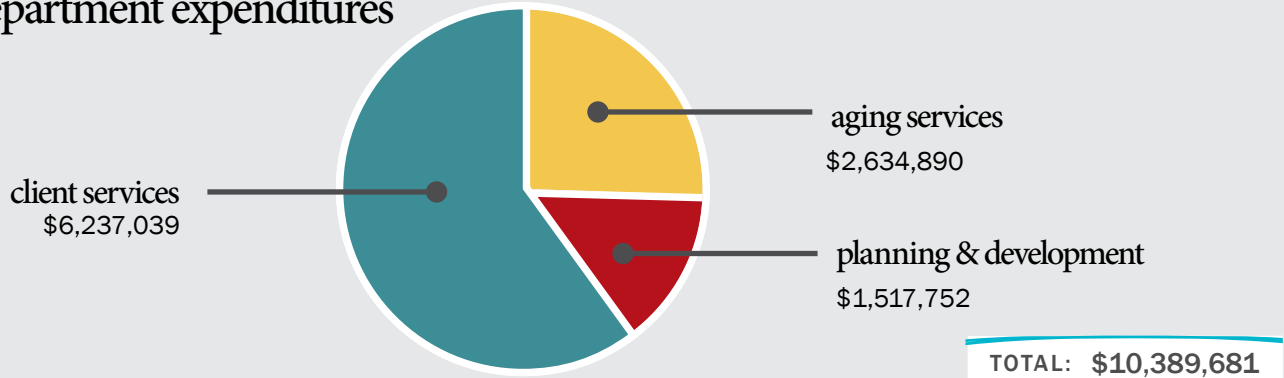
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**STATEMENT OF  
NET ASSETS**  
YEARS ENDED APRIL 30,  
2015 AND 2014

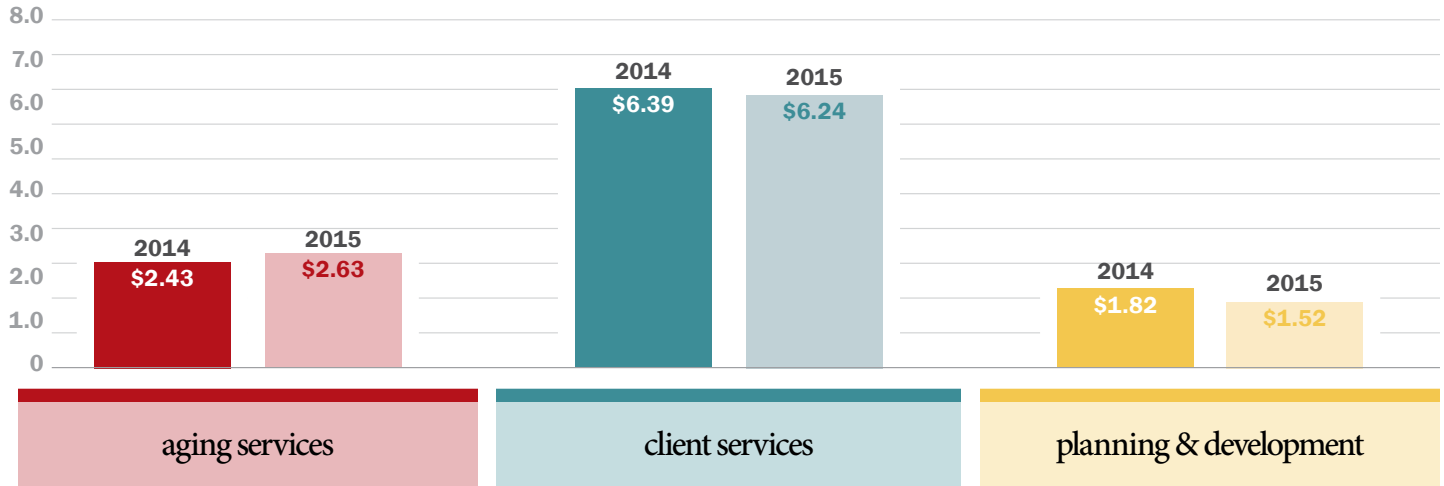


	2015	2014
<b>ASSETS</b>		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Pooled Investments	\$1,008,907	\$512,605
Accounts Receivable	\$583,336	\$472,576
Under Allocated Employee Benefits and Central Service IT	\$90,817	\$159,378
Prepaid Items	\$12,202	\$11,870
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,695,262</b>	<b>\$1,156,429</b>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Capital Assets, Net	\$2,719,703	\$2,238,258
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,719,703</b>	<b>\$2,238,258</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$4,414,965</b>	<b>\$3,394,687</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$177,643	\$193,192
Unearned Revenue	\$838,972	\$839,864
Accrued Compensated Absences	\$25,940	\$21,853
Line of Credit	\$350,000	-
Notes Payable	\$178,115	\$156,341
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$1,570,670</b>	<b>\$1,211,250</b>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Notes Payable	\$153,514	\$331,629
Accrued Compensated Absences	\$77,820	\$65,275
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$231,334</b>	<b>\$396,904</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$1,802,004</b>	<b>\$1,608,154</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$2,388,074	\$1,750,288
Restricted	\$220,328	\$52,738
Unrestricted	(\$7,643)	(\$16,493)
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$2,612,961</b>	<b>\$1,786,533</b>

# fye 2015 department expenditures



FYE 2014 Comparison (in millions)



## fye 2015 board officers & members

### **PRESIDENT**

Creta L. "Spanky" Carter, II  
Fannin County Judge

### **VICE PRESIDENT**

Keith Clegg, Gainesville City Council

### **SECRETARY/TREASURER**

Cary Wacker, City of Sherman

Robert Adams  
*Cooke County  
Community Rep*

Teresa Adams  
*City of Denison  
City of Bonham*

Cecil Jones  
*Fannin County  
Community Rep*

Phyllis James  
*Grayson County  
Representative*

Sarah Somers  
*Grayson County  
Community Rep*

J.D. Roane  
*City of Valley View*

Kate Whitfield  
*Sherman ISD*

Debbie Smith  
*City of Knollwood*

Chris Burch  
*City of Ladonia*

Jason Brinkley  
*Cooke County  
Representative*

Bill McFatridge  
*Grayson College*



## fye 2015 general membership

### **CITIES & COUNTIES**

Cooke County  
Fannin County  
Grayson County  
City of Bonham  
City of Callisburg  
City of Collinsville  
City of Denison  
City of Dodd City  
City of Ector  
City of Gainesville  
City of Gunter  
City of Honey Grove  
City of Howe  
City of Knollwood  
City of Ladonia  
City of Leonard  
Town of Lindsay  
City of Muenster  
City of Pottsboro  
Town of Ravenna

City of Sadler  
City of Savoy  
City of Sherman  
City of Southmayd  
City of Tioga  
City of Tom Bean  
City of Trenton  
City of Valley View  
City of Van Alstyne  
City of Whitesboro  
City of Whitewright  
Town of Windom

### **SCHOOL DISTRICTS & COLLEGES**

Bonham ISD  
Denison ISD  
Dodd City ISD  
Ector ISD  
Era ISD  
Fannindel ISD

Grayson College  
Honey Grove ISD  
Leonard ISD  
Muenster ISD  
North Central Texas  
College  
Pottsboro ISD  
Sam Rayburn ISD  
Savoy ISD  
Sherman ISD  
Tom Bean ISD  
Van Alstyne ISD  
Whitesboro ISD

### **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS**

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Either directly, or through contractors, the Council provides housing, utility assistance, and weatherization services for low-income citizens in the region and assists the elderly and disabled through a variety of Area Agency on Aging programs. The Council also facilitates the delivery of grant funding for homeland security and criminal justice.

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