



Treasury Notes

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Dear County Treasurers and Staff,

It is my honor to welcome you and to thank you for your dedicated service to the people of Texas. As County Treasurers, you hold one of the most trusted and vital roles in local government. You are the stewards of public funds, the guardians of fiscal integrity, and the voice of accountability that helps ensure taxpayer dollars are managed wisely and transparently.

Your work matters, not only in balancing the books and safeguarding resources, but in building trust between government and the communities we serve. Every action you take strengthens the foundation of public service in your county and state.

This year, I encourage each of you to embrace our theme “**Connecting Deeply and Leading Boldly**”.

Connecting Deeply with your colleagues, county officials and most importantly, your constituents. By listening, sharing, and collaborating, you bring people together with solutions that make a difference.

Lead Boldly by stepping forward with courage, integrity and vision. Whether it's adopting best practices, championing transparency, or exploring innovating ways to manage county resources, your leadership shapes the future of Texas communities.

Please know that you are not alone in this work. You are part of a network of treasurers across 244 counties, each committed to excellence and service. Together, we can strengthen one another, share lessons, and elevate the role of treasurers statewide.

Thank you again for your service to your county and to Texas. I look forward to traveling across our 12 regions connecting with you personally and working alongside you as we continue to Connect Deeply and Lead Boldly.

With Gratitude and Respect,

Pauline Medrano, CTAT President





2025—2026 CTAT Executive Board



Pictured left to right: Oscar Ortiz (Secretary) - Dimmit County, Tandra Kile (Treasurer) – Ochiltree County, Brittnei Turner (Second Vice President) – Hunt County, Pauline Medrano (CTAT President) - Dallas County, Leann Monk (President-Elect) – Tyler County, Leigh Anne McCoy (First Vice President) – Hood County.

(Not pictured) Karrie Crownover, Immediate Past President

“Connecting Deeply And Leading Boldly”

77th Annual CTAT Conference

Sugarland, TX



(L-R) Cindy, Debbie, Barry, Pauline, Rene, Phillip, Dianna, and Karrie



(L-R) Pete Elizondo, Pauline Medrano, and Miguel Pantoja



Work Hard, Play Harder!!



(L-R) Sherry, Gayla, Pauline, Tramer (TAC), Kim, Tracy, Cheryl



(L-R) Nikki, John, Pauline, Linda, and Jackie



Good vibes and even better company!



Let the good times roll!

CTAT Salutes Region 12—September 2025 Conference:



It's party time!!



Region VI having fun at the photo booth!!



Good friends, good time, and great memories!



(Picture L-R) Yvonne Pacheco, Kelly McCauley, Savannah Hernandez, Maria Segura, Sabrina Vega, Brenda Rico, Bill Rickert

Our 2025 Texas Outstanding County Treasurer Award Goes To:



The Honorable Dinkie Parman,

“I was honored to just be considered as a nominee and be up there with the other Outstanding Treasurers, I never dreamed that I would be selected. CTAT has very high professional standards, to be selected by my peers for this award is like getting that golden stamp of approval for a job well done! It’s like achieving something worthwhile and being a part of something great! I felt, overwhelmed, humbled, surprised, so honored, and I will cherish this memory and the friends I have made always”



Pictured Left to Right: Senator Bryan Birdwell, Leigh Ann McCoy, Hood County Treasurer, and Pauline Medrano, Dallas County Treasurer, CTAT President

On Tuesday, October 14th at the Hood County Commissioner Court meeting Senator Birdwell presents an official state gavel to Leigh Ann McCoy,

“This was such an emotional gift to receive from our then President, Ruben Cavazos. What an honor to not only be recognized by our Association President, but also my Senator. Each Board member received this gift from Ruben, and with Treasurer’s Day at the Capitol this year it made it even more special for ALL of us. I wanted to take the opportunity to share this with my court and citizens of my county. I am grateful for our current President, Pauline Medrano and my Senator, Brian Birdwell for the special presentation.”

Region 3 Notes

Region 3 Treasurers met on November 6th in Glasscock County for our holiday business meeting. We elected officers, selected our 2026 TOCTA Nominee, Vikki Calloway, Glasscock County Treasurer, and discussed President Medrano's request to engage with our legislators. We also reviewed the New Treasurer Orientation and CTAT education requirements, outlining the differences between CTAT Hours, PFIA Hours, and TAC Investment Hours. In addition, members completed PFIA virtual hours. For fun, everyone brought their favorite desserts to share.

As part of our ongoing business, we are gathering information to host meetings with our legislators and invite treasurers from their districts, including those outside our region. The goal is to get to know our legislators and let them know we are available as a resource and willing to assist when needed.

Dianna Spieker- Tom Green County Treasurer Region 3 Director



Dates to Remember

Basics of County Investment Course	San Marcos, TX	Feb. 3-6 2026
Healthy County Bootcamp	Georgetown, TX	Feb. 11-13, 2026
County Management & Risk Conference	Round Rock, TX	3/31-4/2, 2026
54th Annual County Treasurers' Seminar	San Marcos, TX	Apr. 20-23, 2026
County Investment Academy	Georgetown, TX	Jun. 15-17, 2026
TAC Legislative Conference	Austin, TX	Aug. 26-28, 2026
78th Annual CTAT Conference	Conroe, TX	Sept. 21-24, 2026
Texas Public Funds Investment Conference	Houston, TX	Nov. 5-6, 2026

Continuing Education Requirements

	Required Hours	Outside Hours (Non-CTAT Conferences)	Carry Forward Hours
County Treasurers Continuing Education Hours	Minimum of 10 hours annually must be earned at either the April or September CTAT Conference	Maximum of 10 hours	Maximum of 10 hours
Public Funds Investment Act	10 hours in a two year period	n/a	n/a

CTAT Scholarship Reminder:

The CTAT Scholarship is available for any child, grand-child, or guardianship of a Treasurer in the State of Texas.

CTAT CARES

If you know of anyone with good news, an illness or a loss please let Daphne Tenorio, CARES Director, know so that she can reach out with support or a card.
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Please submit ideas and photos for the next edition of Treasury Notes. Deadline for submitting will be March 1st. Please submit to Kathy Blackwell at kathyb@johnsoncountytexas.org
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