



Treasury Notes

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Post Fall Conference 2024

County Treasurers' Association of Texas, Welcome to the 2024-2025 Year!

To my fellow members,

It's an honor to serve as your president for 2024-2025, and I am grateful for this opportunity to lead us forward. First, thank you to Region 5 for hosting us in Denton for the September 2024 conference—your dedication and efforts made it an exceptional start to our year.

Our theme this year is **"Unity in Strength."** The Bible reminds us that we are one body with many parts, each vital in its role. Though we may differ, together we are strong, and united we can overcome any challenge. As County Treasurers, we carry significant responsibilities, and by working as one, we honor our commitments to the public, our profession, and each other.

In this spirit, I encourage us to lead with a servant's heart, focusing on our shared mission and supporting one another. Together, we amplify our voices and stand stronger, advocating for our profession and promoting growth. Let's remember that just as a branch thrives when connected to the tree, our association flourishes through unity.

This year, let's embrace opportunities for collaboration, strengthening bonds within and beyond our association. As we journey together, let us be inspired by Joshua 1:9: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." With unity, faith, and a servant's heart, we will achieve great things.

Here's to a year of strength through unity! I look forward to serving you all and collaborating for a better future ahead!

Ruben Cavazos

President, County Treasurers' Association of Texas 2024-2025





Please welcome our 2024—2025 Executive Board

Ruben Cavazos— President

Pauline Medrano, President Elect

Raul Reyes, Treasurer

Leann Monk, 1st Vice President

Brittni Turner, Secretary

Leigh Ann McCoy, 2nd Vice President

Karrie Crownover, Immediate Past Pres.



**OUR 2024 TEXAS OUTSTANDING COUNTY TREASURER
AWARD GOES TO:**



*The Honorable Michael Lord,
Gaines County*

**CTAT LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AWARD
WINNER
DR. WILLIAM T. CHITTENDEN**



Thank you Region 5 for hosting our September 2024
Conference!



Treasurer Henderson welcomed Comptroller Hagar during his visit to Schleicher County as part of his “Good for Texas Tour”.

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Comptroller Hagar Extols Law Enforcement Grants During Eldorado Visit Says Supporting Rural Law Enforcement is Good for Texas

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hagar was in Eldorado on Wednesday, October 2nd, where he met with Schleicher County Judge Charlie Bradley, Sheriff Jason Chatham and Treasurer Jennifer Henderson as part of his Good For Texas Tour series. He was in town to call attention to law enforcement and prosecutor office grants his office administers totaling more than \$125 million. The grants were authorized in 2023 by the 88th Texas Legislature as part of Senate Bill 22.

The Schleicher County Sheriff's Office has thus far received \$250,000 in grant funds under SB 22. An additional \$275,000 went to the 51st District Attorney's office for a total of \$525,000 in financial support.

Hagar said the money provided supplemental salary assistance to help ensure professional law enforcement and legal representation of the people's interests throughout the state.

The Rural Law Enforcement Grant Program provides for qualified counties and prosecutor offices to apply for grants for the 2024-25 biennium. By the end

and retain personnel or to buy much-needed equipment," Hagar said. "These men and women are the backbone of their communities, and Texas is committed to supporting them. In some areas officers are purchasing their own weapons and counties can't afford to pay their sheriffs a respectable living wage. This program is a critical step toward ensuring these crucial entities have the resources they need to keep our communities safe, and it's been a privilege to support our hard-working men and women. I'm grateful to the Legislature for trusting me with this effort."

During his Good for Texas Tour: Rural Law Enforcement Grant Program Edition, Hagar is spotlighting information his office has gathered about these rural law enforcement and prosecutor offices and how they have used the funds to help serve their populations.

The grant program authorizes the Comptroller's office to administer the following to counties with populations of fewer than 300,000 people:

The Rural Sheriff's Depart.



CELEBRATING RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hagar (second from left) was in Eldorado on Wednesday, October 2nd, as part of his Good for Texas Tour Rural Law Enforcement Series. He was in town to highlight the benefits of rural law enforcement grants authorized by the Texas Legislature in 2023. He is pictured here with (L-R) Schleicher County Sheriff Jason Chatham, Treasurer Jennifer Henderson and County Judge Charlie Bradley.

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or to purchase safety equipment for the sheriff's department.

The Rural Constable's Office Salary Assistance Grant provides a minimum salary of

used to increase the salary of assistant attorneys, investigators and victim assistance coordinators, or to hire additional staff.

Hagar began his day with

million; Menard and Schleicher counties each received \$525,000. The grants allowed the local governments to increase salaries of sheriffs, deputies, jailers

“For years, many of these rural law enforcement and prosecutor offices have lacked the resources they need to attract and retain personnel or to buy much-needed equipment,” Hagar said. “These men and women are the backbone of their communities, and Texas is committed to supporting them. In some areas officers are purchasing their own weapons and counties can’t afford to pay their sheriffs a respectable living wage. This program is a critical step toward ensuring these crucial entities have the resources they need to keep our communities safe, and it’s been a privilege to support our hard-working men and women. I’m grateful to the Legislature for trusting me with this effort.”



Dates to Remember

2024 New Treasurer's Seminar	Denton, TX	Dec. 4-6, 2024
Basics of Investments Course	Frisco, TX	Mar. 4-7, 2025
53rd Annual County Treasurer's CE Seminar	San Marcos, TX	April 21-24, 2025
Conference of the Investment Academy	Corpus Christi, TX	Jun. 16-18, 2025
TAC Legislative Conference	Austin, TX	August 27-29, 2025
77th Annual CTAT Conference	Sugar Land, TX	Sept. 15-18, 2025
Texas Public Funds Investment Conference	Houston, TX	Nov. 6-7, 2025

Continuing Education Requirements

	Required Hours	Outside Hours (Non-CTAT Conferences)	Carry Forward Hours
County Treasurers Continuing Education Hours	20 hours annually	Maximum of 10 hours	Maximum of 10 hours
Public Funds Investment Act	10 hours in a two year period	n/a	n/a

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