



BOARD OF MANAGERS
Board of Managers - Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 31, 2026 at 12:00 PM

AGENDA

1. WELCOME

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

- ___ Vishnu V. Reddy, Chairman
- ___ Sylvia Tryon Oliver, Vice Chair
- ___ Mariana Garza
- ___ Georgia Neblett, Legislative Committee Chair
- ___ Karen O'Connor Urban
- ___ Pamela Brower, Finance Committee Chair
- ___ Sunil Reddy

3. CALL TO ORDER, CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM, VERIFICATION OF MEETING POSTING, AND CLOSED MEETING NOTICE:

A. Call to order.

B. Establish quorum.

C. Confirm posting of the meeting’s public notice in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

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 - 1. Cenikor (Charlie's Place); and
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 - 1. Aligning Technology by Linking Interoperable Systems for Client Health Outcomes Program (ATLIS);
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1. Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH);
2. Graduate Medical Education (GME);
3. Hospital Augmented Reimbursement Program (HARP); and
4. Hospital Uncompensated Care (UC). (*Finance Committee*)

7. Receive reports relating to Nueces Aid Program enrollment for the month-ended February 28, 2026:

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| a. Total Persons and Households Enrolled; | 27 |
| b. Enrollment Summary; | 28 |
| c. Denials; | 29 |
| d. Application Processing Summary; and | 30 |
| e. Enrollment by Zip Code. (<i>Finance Committee</i>) | 34 |

8. Receive information relating to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Poverty Guidelines:

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| a. Annual update of the HHS Poverty Guidelines from Federal Register, Vol. 91, No. 10, January 15, 2026 pp. 1797-1798; and | 37 |
| b. Prior HHS Poverty Guidelines and Federal Register References, 1982–2026. (INFORMATION) | 45 |

9. Receive notice of annual increase adjustments of Nueces Aid Program’s Eligibility Guidelines; adjustments effective March 1, 2026 for:

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| a. Household Resources as required by Program’s Handbook Policy No. NA002, Attachment 2, Sections I-B, I-C-1, I-C-23, and I-F; and | 58 |
| b. Household Income as required by Program’s Handbook Policy No. NA002, Attachment 4, Section I-F-3. (INFORMATION) | 64 |

C. REGULAR AGENDA -Items that are non-routine, non-administrative, or require individual attention. Each item will be considered and, if action is needed, voted on separately:

1. **Finance Committee:**

a. Financial Statements:

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| 1. Receive and approve unaudited financial statements for month and fiscal year-to-date February 28, 2026. (ACTION) | 67 |
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2. Legislative Committee:

- a. Receive and discuss reports from Legislative Consultants. (*INFORMATION*)
- b. Discuss and consider amending the 90th Texas Legislative Session Agenda. (*ACTION*)

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3. Administrator's Briefing:

- a. Next scheduled regular meetings of the Board of Managers and Board Committees (all meeting dates, times, and locations are subject to change):

- 1. Legislative Committee: April 28, 2026, 11:00 AM in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401; and

- 2. Finance Committee: April 28, 2026, 11:30 AM in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401;

- 3. Board of Managers: April 28, 2026, 12:00 PM in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401. (*INFORMATION*)

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D. Consult with attorneys on matters related to indigent health care and related matters.

E. Consult with attorneys on matters relating to uses of funds and related matters.

F. Consult with attorneys on legal matters relating to medical education and related matters.

G. Consult with attorneys on matters relating to support of medical education and related matters.

8. **OPEN MEETING** - The Board will reconvene in open session following the Closed Meeting before taking action on Closed Meeting matters or adjourning.

A. Discuss and consider taking final action, decision, or vote on matters deliberated in Closed Meeting. (***ACTION AS NEEDED***)

9. **ADJOURN**

10. Public Notice Posting Receipt

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**BOARD OF MANAGERS
NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 24, 2026**

The Nueces County Hospital District Board of Managers met at 12:00 p.m., February 24, 2026 in the NCHD Board Room at 555 N. Carancahua, Suite 950 – A Corpus Christi, Texas.

HOSPITAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES:

Jonny F. Hipp	Administrator/CEO
Belinda Espinoza	Asst. Administrator, Admin. Services
Donna Littlefield	Director, Accounting & Finance
Mary Esther Guerra	Assistant County Attorney
John B. Martinez	General Counsel
Adam Robison	Legal Counsel
Melissa Quintanilla	Executive Assistant/Human Resources
Carmina Hernandez Moreno	Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT

Caitlin Chupe	Adamson & Company
Lee Lopez	Corpus Christi Medical Center
Chrissy Romeros	Rep to St. Representative Todd Hunter
Todd Hunter	State Representative
Becky Rios	Christus Spohn Hospital – via Zoom
read.ai meeting notes	- via Zoom
rxa 1450 (guest)	- via Zoom

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3. CALL TO ORDER, CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM, VERIFICATION OF MEETING POSTING, AND CLOSED MEETING NOTICE:

A. Call to order- Vishnu V. Reddy, Chairman.

The meeting was called to order by Vishnu V. Reddy at 12:00 p.m.

B. Establish quorum – Vishnu V. Reddy.

A quorum was present with six members in attendance.

Vishnu V. Reddy, Chairman - PRESENT

Sylvia Tryon Oliver, Vice Chair – PRESENT

Mariana Garza, Member – PRESENT

Georgia Neblett, Legislative Committee Chair – PRESENT

Karen O'Connor Urban, Member – PRESENT

Sunil Reddy, Member – PRESENT

Pamela Brower, Finance Committee Chair – ABSENT

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Consent Agenda Approved. Motion by Karen O'Connor Urban and seconded by Sylvia Tryon Oliver. MOTION CARRIED.

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1. Finance Committee:

a. Annual Audit:

1. Receive and consider acceptance of the independent auditor's report on the financial statements of the Hospital District for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2025. (**ACTION**)

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Caitlin Chupe from Adamson & Company presented presented financial statements of the Hospital District for fiscal year ended September 30, 2025. Motion by Georgia Neblett and seconded by Mariana Garza. MOTION CARRIED.

b. Financial Statements:

1. Receive and approve unaudited financial statements for the month and fiscal year-to-date period ended January 31, 2026. (*ACTION*)

Motion by Karen O'Connor Urban and seconded by Georgia Neblett. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Legislative Committee:

- a. Receive a briefing from State Representative Todd Hunter on the 90th Texas Legislative Session and the legislative process. (*INFORMATION*)

St. Representative Todd Hunter gave briefing re: Legislative process.

- b. Review and consider matters relating to approved interim committee charges for the 90th Texas Legislature. (*ACTION*)

No Action Taken.

- c. Discuss and consider a legislative agenda for the 90th Texas Legislative Session. (*ACTION*)

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Vishnu V. Reddy, Chairman called for Closed Session at 12:50 p.m.

8. OPEN MEETING - The Board will reconvene in open session following the Closed Meeting before taking action on Closed Meeting matters or adjourning.

Vishnu V. Reddy, Chairman, called for Open Session at 1:35 p.m.

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A. Discuss and consider taking final action, decision, or vote on matters deliberated in Closed Meeting. (*ACTION AS NEEDED*)

No Action Taken.

9. ADJOURN

**Meeting to adjourn by Vishnu v. Reddy, Chairman.
Motion to adjourn by Georgia Neblett an seconded by
Karen O'Connor Urban. Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.**

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PRESIDING OFFICER:

Vishnu V. Reddy, Chairman

ATTEST:

Jonny F. Hipp, Secretary
Board of Managers
Nueces County Hospital District

Nueces County Hospital District
 County Health Care Department Expenditures
 Cash Disbursements Relating to
 Fiscal Year 2026

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Fiscal YTD	Budget 2026	Balance
County Healthcare Services															
Health Dept - County	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,800,000.00	1,800,000.00
Mobile Medical Clinic	0.00	0.00	176.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	176.28	60,000.00	59,823.72
Emergency Medical Services	0.00	0.00	114,600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	114,600.00	650,000.00	535,400.00
NC MHID - Fund Matching	0.00	0.00	242,280.00	0.00	0.00	242,280.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	484,560.00	969,129.00	484,569.00
NC MHID - Jail Programs	82,275.04	97,058.26	108,821.22	137,908.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	426,062.63	1,500,000.00	1,073,937.37
NC Juvenile Center	0.00	0.00	107,521.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	107,521.00	474,000.00	366,479.00
Nueces County Jail Infirmiry Svcs	563,401.59	103,680.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	667,081.72	8,532,015.00	7,864,933.28
Cenikor	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	60,000.00	60,000.00
Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
Diabetes Program - County	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	60,000.00	60,000.00
HALO-Flight Funding	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,750.00	15,750.00
County Public Health Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	65,000.00	336,000.00	271,000.00
Totals	645,676.63	200,738.39	573,398.50	202,908.11	0.00	242,280.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,865,001.63	14,506,894.00	12,641,892.37

**Nueces County Hospital District
Imputed Claims Experience for Calendar Year 2025
As if Adjudicated January 1, 2026 through February 28, 2026**

Service	Claims	Billed	Contract Amt.	Co Insurance	Net
ER	22	29,829	2,403	(18)	2,421
ASU	-	-	-	-	-
Clinic	1,589	989,628	326,014	16,589	309,424
Obs	-	-	-	0	-
OP	4,060	12,232,191	3,167,388	174,483	2,992,905
Subtotal	5,671	13,251,648	3,495,805	191,055	3,304,750
IP	158	17,768,387	732,825	(16,992)	749,817
SNF					-
RX	15,549	959,761	802,017	31,722	770,295
Physician	4,732	16,283,504	1,502,282	46,955	1,455,327
Total	26,110	48,263,300	6,532,929	252,739	6,280,190

NOTE:

The Revised and Restated Indigent Care Agreement was terminated effective September 30, 2012. After that date, the District no longer makes payment to CHRISTUS Spohn for providing health care services to the Nueces Aid Indigent population. Under the terms of the Membership Agreement amended and restated effective November 18, 2015, CHRISTUS Spohn has committed to continue to provide health care services to the Nueces Aid Indigent population and, and at the request of the District, continues to submit informational claims to the District to permit the District to monitor the volume of health care services furnished to the Nueces Aid Indigent population.

Nueces County Hospital District
 Spohn Corporate Member Revenue Analysis
 Fiscal Year 2026

Member Revenue % 17.0%

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Totals
<u>Membership Revenue Deposits</u>													
Week 1	1,511,157.21	2,417,944.61	1,630,641.06	1,526,816.31	1,589,308.71	2,052,269.03							10,728,136.93
Week 2	1,403,285.99	2,163,527.85	2,308,254.99	1,672,309.25	1,712,675.50	2,060,253.40							11,320,306.98
Week 3	1,495,552.66	2,470,202.03	2,292,403.21	2,104,939.01	1,973,974.33	1,919,955.83							12,257,027.07
Week 4	2,559,686.42	holiday	2,039,849.68	1,855,237.00	2,098,068.57								8,552,841.67
Week 5	1,904,908.74		2,125,558.12	2,017,332.89									6,047,799.75
Subtotal	8,874,591.02	7,051,674.49	10,396,707.06	9,176,634.46	7,374,027.11	6,032,478.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48,906,112.40

Texas Local Provider Participation Fund (LPPF) Programs

Overview

The Texas Local Provider Participation Fund (LPPF) is a locally administered financing mechanism authorized under Texas law that permits counties, hospital districts, and certain multi-jurisdictional entities to impose mandatory assessments on participating hospitals. Funds collected through an LPPF are used to finance the non-federal share of Medicaid supplemental and directed payment programs, thereby leveraging federal matching funds. These supplemental and directed payment programs are established, administered, and overseen by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

Purpose

LPPFs exist to support Medicaid payments without relying on state general revenue or local property taxes. By pooling hospital assessments locally and transferring them to the state through intergovernmental transfers (IGTs), local governments enable hospitals to receive significantly higher Medicaid reimbursements.

How LPPFs Work

Hospitals within an authorized jurisdiction are assessed a uniform mandatory payment, typically based on net patient revenue. These payments are deposited into a segregated Local Provider Participation Fund. The local government then transfers funds to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission to serve as the non-federal share for Medicaid payments. Federal matching funds are drawn down and redistributed back to hospitals through approved Medicaid payment programs.

Programs Supported

LPPF-supported funds are commonly used for Medicaid supplemental and directed payment programs, including uncompensated care payments and uniform rate enhancements. These programs are designed to support hospitals that serve a large share of Medicaid and uninsured patients.

Benefits

LPPFs allow local dollars to leverage substantial federal Medicaid funding, strengthen the financial stability of safety-net hospitals, and avoid increasing property taxes. They provide local control over healthcare financing while supporting access to care.

Legal Framework

The Nueces County Hospital District's LPPF is authorized under Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 298C, and is implemented pursuant to approval by the Board of Managers of the associated Health Care Provider Participation Program. Funds

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deposited into the LPPF are restricted to authorized health care–related purposes and may not be used to expand Medicaid eligibility. The program is subject to applicable federal oversight to ensure compliance with Medicaid financing requirements.

Policy Considerations

Key considerations include the financial impact of mandatory assessments on participating hospitals; the administrative and compliance complexity associated with operating an LPPF; and reliance on ongoing state legislative authority and federal policy. While many LPPFs are subject to statutory sunset provisions requiring periodic legislative renewal, the Nueces County Hospital District LPPF is not subject to a sunset provision.

Summary

LPPFs are a central component of Texas’s Medicaid financing strategy, enabling local governments and hospitals to maximize federal Medicaid funding while maintaining local control and minimizing taxpayer impact.

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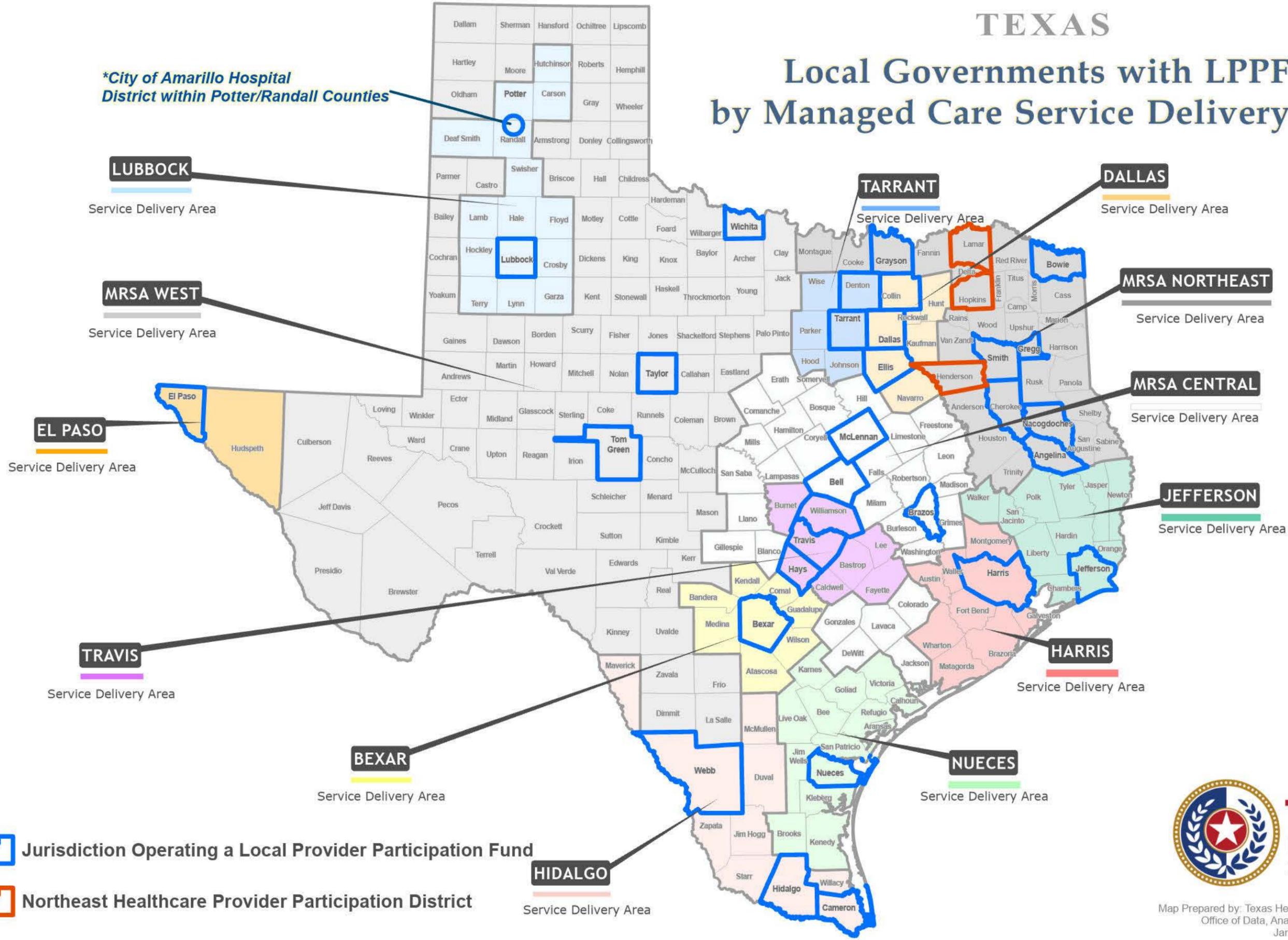
Nueces County Hospital District
Nueces LPPF Activity
Fiscal Year 2026

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Totals
Beginning Balance	36,037,687.34	88,352,681.09	46,775,249.76	46,889,995.07	47,098,478.43	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	36,037,687.34
<u>Deposits</u>													
Christus Spohn	20,140,043.00												20,140,043.00
CCMC													0.00
CC Rehab													0.00
Driscoll	31,555,659.00												31,555,659.00
PAM Specialty													0.00
PAM Rehab													0.00
S. TX Surgical													0.00
Oceans Behavioral	625,158.00												625,158.00
Subtotal	52,320,860.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	52,320,860.00
Interest	302,419.15	249,184.61	151,883.76	147,530.06	122,923.21								973,940.79
Transfers In	1,538,911.28	91,314.97		627,998.64									2,258,224.89
Total Deposits	54,162,190.43	340,499.58	151,883.76	775,528.70	122,923.21	0.00	55,553,025.68						
<u>Inter-Governmental Transfers</u>													
UC			(37,138.45)		(3,833,293.54)								(3,870,431.99)
DSRIP													0.00
CHIRP		(41,917,930.91)											(41,917,930.91)
TIPPS													0.00
DSH													0.00
HARP				(386,050.81)									(386,050.81)
GME				(180,994.53)									(180,994.53)
ATLIS	(1,847,196.68)												(1,847,196.68)
Total IGT's	(1,847,196.68)	(41,917,930.91)	(37,138.45)	(567,045.34)	(3,833,293.54)	0.00	(48,202,604.92)						
Transfers Out													0.00
Bank Fees													0.00
Ending Balance	88,352,681.09	46,775,249.76	46,889,995.07	47,098,478.43	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10	43,388,108.10

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Local Governments with LPPFs by Managed Care Service Delivery Area

**City of Amarillo Hospital
District within Potter/Randall Counties*



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Texas HHSC Medicaid Supplemental and Directed Payment Programs

Texas Medicaid is a partnership between the state and federal governments that provides health coverage to low-income families, older adults, and people with disabilities. The federal government shares in the cost of the program by matching state Medicaid spending, and providers are paid for the care they deliver to Medicaid patients. Federal rules allow states to determine how providers are paid, and Medicaid payments generally fall into three categories: base payments, supplemental payments, and directed payments. Base Payments are made for specific services (e.g., surgery, x-rays, diagnostic tests) provided to persons with Medicaid. These payments can be made through a fee-for-service (FFS) method or through a managed care service delivery system.

1. **Supplemental Payment Programs.** Supplemental Payments are Medicaid payments that supplement base reimbursement and provide additional funding to selected providers, including hospitals. Payments may be made as lump sums or structured to support quality goals, graduate medical education, or providers that serve large numbers of uninsured or low-income patients, such as rural and safety-net providers.

A. Key Programs:

- 1) **Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH):** These payments provide additional funding to hospitals that serve a large share of Medicaid and low-income patients. DSH payments help offset uncompensated care costs for Medicaid and uninsured patients and are capped at a hospital's allowable uncompensated costs. Eligible providers: Hospitals serving a high proportion of Medicaid or indigent patients.
- 2) **Uncompensated Care (UC):** This Program was initially created to support Texas's expansion of Medicaid managed care while preserving supplemental payments to hospitals. UC payments help reduce uncompensated costs for qualifying medical services provided to uninsured individuals under a provider's charity care policy and must meet the federal definition of "medical assistance." Eligible providers: Public and private hospitals, public ambulance providers, government dental providers, and physician practice groups.
- 3) **Graduate Medical Education (GME):** These supplemental payments support medical residency training at teaching hospitals, which face higher costs related to resident compensation, increased testing, and the care of more complex patients. Eligible providers: State-owned teaching hospitals and government-operated teaching hospitals.
- 4) **Hospital Augmented Reimbursement Program (HARP):** Provides Medicaid payments to hospitals for inpatient and

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outpatient services provided to Texas Medicaid patients under the fee-for-service model, serving as a financial transition for former DSRIP providers and helping offset the cost of delivering Medicaid services.

- 5) ****Aligning Technology by Linking Interoperable Systems for Client Health Outcomes (ATLIS):** To enhance electronic health information exchange among Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) to improve client health outcomes and advance alternative payment models.
- 6) ***Public Health Providers-Charity Care Program (PHP-CCP):** Reimburses qualifying providers for the cost of delivering certain health care services that are not reimbursed by another source. Health care services include behavioral health services, immunizations, public health services, and other preventative services. Eligible providers: Publicly owned and operated community mental health clinics, local behavioral health authorities or local mental health authorities, local health departments, and Public Health Districts.
- 7) ***Ambulance Services Supplemental Payment Program:** Program for publicly owned ground emergency ambulance providers participating in Medicaid fee-for-service that provides additional payments aligned with average commercial insurance rates for the same services.

2. **Directed Payment Programs.** State-guided Medicaid managed care spending to support delivery system reform and improved performance by requiring Medicaid managed care organizations to make certain payments to providers, either through capitation rate adjustments or separate payment arrangements.

A. Key Programs:

- 1) **Comprehensive Hospital Increase Reimbursement Program (CHIRP):** Provides enhanced Medicaid payments for inpatient and outpatient services delivered to STAR and STAR+PLUS enrollees. Eligible providers include: (1) hospital-based rural health clinics (RHCs), including non-state government-owned and private RHCs, and (2) free-standing RHCs.
- 2) **Network Access Improvement Program (NAIP):** Pass-through payment program aimed at strengthening access to effective primary care for Medicaid recipients by incentivizing health-related institutions and public hospitals to provide high-quality, coordinated, and continuous care.
- 3) **Rural Access to Primary and Preventive Services (RAPPS):** Provides incentives for rural health clinics (RHCs) to deliver primary and preventive care to STAR, STAR+PLUS, and STAR Kids

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enrollees in rural areas of the state. Eligible providers include (1) hospital-based RHCs, including non-state government-owned and private RHCs, and (2) free-standing RHCs.

- 4) **The Texas Incentives for Physicians and Professional Services (TIPPS)**: Provides enhanced Medicaid payments for health care services delivered by eligible physician groups to STAR, STAR+PLUS, and STAR Kids enrollees. Eligible providers include: (1) health-related institution (HRI) physician groups; (2) physician groups affiliated with hospitals receiving indirect medical education (IME) funding; and (3) other physician groups.
- 5) ***The Directed Payment Program for Behavioral Health Services (DPP BHS)**: Enhances access to behavioral health services, care coordination, and care transitions for STAR, STAR+PLUS, and STAR Kids enrollees. Eligible providers include Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs) and Local Behavioral Health Authorities (LBHAs) with Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) certification.
- 6) ***Quality Incentive Payment Program (QIPP)**: A performance-based payment program that incentivizes nursing facilities to improve care quality and foster innovation.

* NCHD does not participate in this Program.

** HHSC terminated this program for the state fiscal year 2026.

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Nueces County Hospital District
 Medicaid Payment Programs/Directed Payment Programs
 Estimated Provider Payments & IGT History
 FY2012 to Present

Provider	DSRIP	UC	DSH	UHRIP	NAIP	CHIRP	TIPPS	GME	HARP	ATLIS	TOTALS	
Christus Spohn - Corpus Christi	393,023,597	660,298,209	271,742,566	54,617,146	173,358,075	154,656,045	3,631,000	11,231,560	29,660,912	280,728	1,752,499,837	41%
Christus Spohn Rural (Alice/Beeville/Kleberg)	48,398,858	236,198,894	0	14,571,054	0	32,524,241	0	0	855,522	822,463	333,371,034	8%
Corpus Christi Medical Center	121,850,134	194,737,114	0	47,168,955	0	196,406,090	0	9,201,795	13,805,248	18,480,851	601,650,186	14%
Driscoll Childrens Hospital	314,822,705	36,685,622	0	0	0	881,668,876	2,062,491	24,811,717	139,139,725	33,265,056	1,432,456,191	34%
Detar Hospital	24,949,804	47,723,156	0	15,076,184	0	0	0	0	0	0	87,749,145	2%
North Bay General Hospital	0	0	0	503,238	0	0	0	0	0	0	503,238	0%
South Texas Surgical Hospital	0	0	0	889,769	0	0	0	0	0	0	889,769	0%
Corpus Christ Rehab Hospital	0	0	0	286,797	0	0	0	0	0	173,631	460,428	0%
PAM Specialty Hospital	0	0	0	1,330	0	0	0	0	0	502,192	503,522	0%
PAM Rehab Hospital	0	0	0	141,201	0	1,429,773	0	0	0	639,691	2,210,665	0%
Zoom Rehabilitation Inc.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	173,631	173,631	0%
Oceans Behavioral Hospital	0	0	0	0	0	43,294	0	0	0	0	43,294	0%
Nueces County Health Dept	21,809,410	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21,809,410	1%
TOTALS	924,854,508	1,175,642,995	271,742,566	133,255,675	173,358,075	1,266,728,319	5,693,492	45,245,071	183,461,407	54,338,242	4,234,320,349	100%

* Estimated Receipts for Entities (IGT + FMAP), Subject to HHSC Review and Administrative Fees

IGT Source	DSRIP	UC	DSH	UHRIP	NAIP	CHIRP	TIPPS	GME	HARP	ATLIS	TOTALS
Nueces County Hospital District	338,074,018	381,700,143	96,250,465	58,389,165	68,363,012	160,387,066	0	12,201,652	67,546,715	13,743,862	1,196,656,098
Nueces LPPF	27,902,997	77,553,074	7,478,253	0	0	331,501,660	1,755,600	4,534,217	5,466,437	7,986,001	464,178,238
TOTALS	365,977,014	459,253,216	103,728,718	58,389,165	68,363,012	491,888,726	1,755,600	16,735,869	73,013,152	21,729,863	1,660,834,336

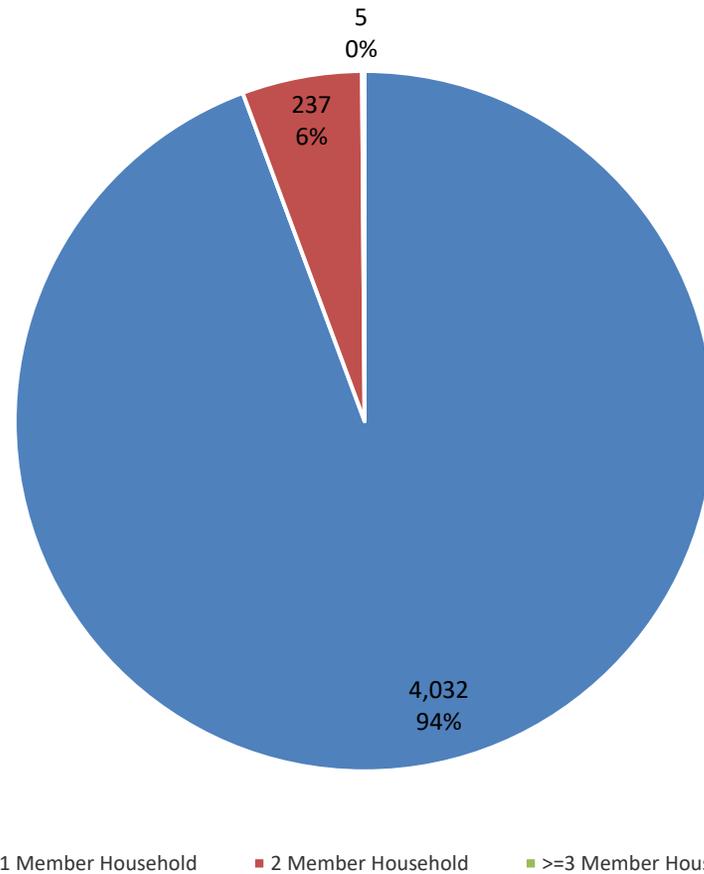
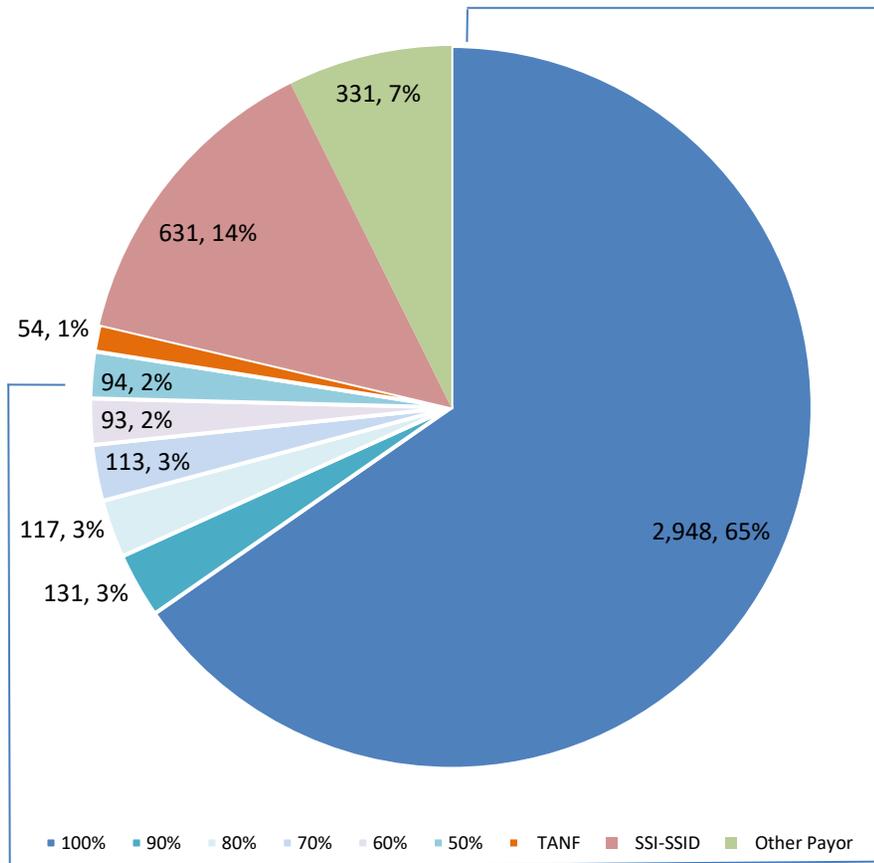
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Nueces Aid Program Enrollment

Total Enrolled: 4,512

Total Households 4,274

Total recipients – Other Payer Coverage: 1,016



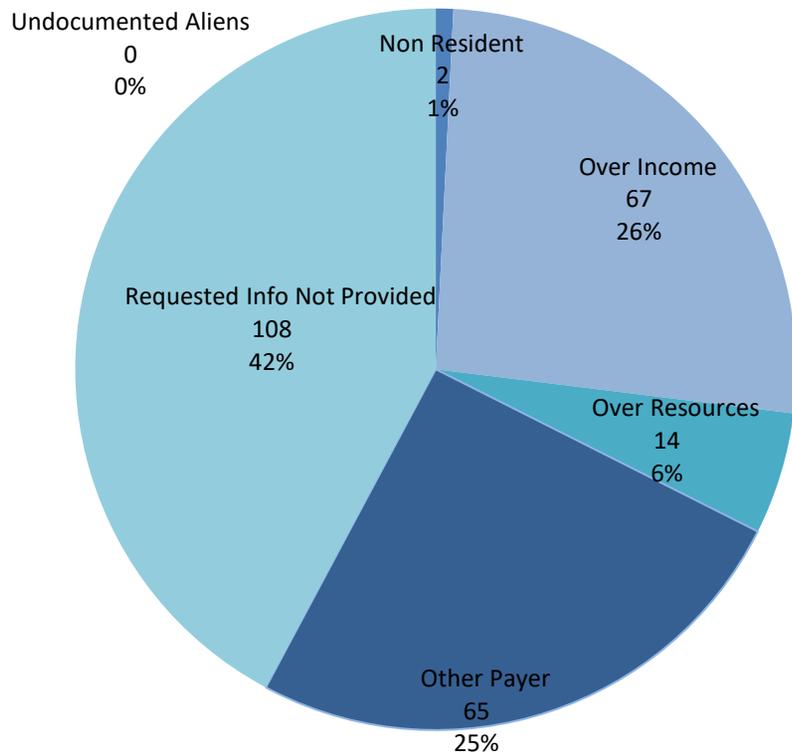
Nueces Aid Program Enrollment Summary Calendar Year 2026

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD 2026 Average	Comments
TOTAL RECIPIENTS	4,521	4,512	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	753	
NUECES AID - All Service Levels														The percentage for each plan option is calculated by dividing the number for each option by the number of total recipients.
100%	2,926	2,948											2,937	
%	64.7%	65.3%											390.2%	
90%	135	131											133	
%	3.0%	3%											17.7%	
80%	114	117											116	
%	2.5%	2.6%											15.3%	
70%	115	113											114	
%	2.5%	2.5%											15.1%	
60%	88	93											91	
%	1.9%	2.1%											12.0%	
50%	88	94											91	
%	1.9%	2.1%											12.1%	
TANF	65	54											60	These individuals are eligible for NCHD assistance if denied assistance by other payer.
%	1.4%	1.2%											7.9%	
SSI-SSID	657	631											644	
%	14.5%	14.0%											85.6%	
Other Payor	333	331											332	
%	7.4%	7.3%											44.1%	
TOTAL NUECES AID	4,521	4,512	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,481	
	100.0%	100.0%											462.4%	
HOUSEHOLDS BY SIZE														
1 Member Household	4,048	4,032											4,040	The percentage for each size household is calculated by dividing the number of each member household by the total number of households.
%	94.4%	94.3%											94.4%	
2 Member Household	234	237											236	
%	5.5%	5.5%											5.5%	
>=3 Member Household	5	5											5	
%	0.1%	0.1%											0.1%	
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS	4,287	4,274	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,281	

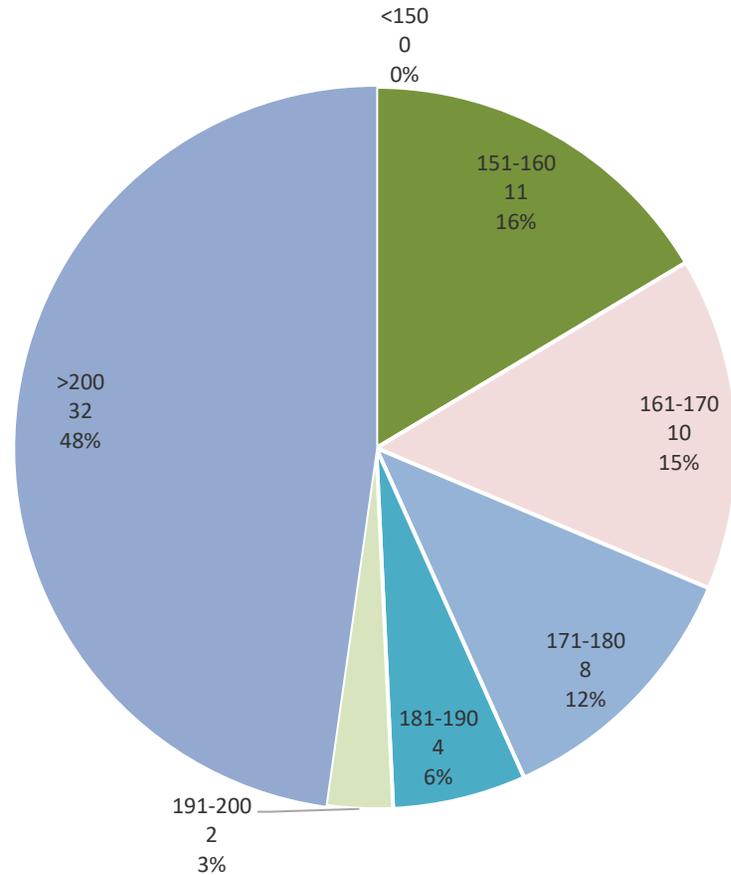
NUECES AID DENIALS

Calendar Year 2026: January - February

Denial Reasons



Comparison of Over Income Case to 2026 HHS Poverty Guidelines



**Nueces Aid Program
Application Processing Summary Calendar Year 2026**

2026	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD	Comments
TOTAL APPLICATIONS	914	800	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,714	
Approved	772	686											1,458	
%	84.5%	85.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	85.1%	
Denied	142	114											256	
%	15.5%	14.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	14.9%	Since FY 1999, the denial rate is based on all denied individuals in the household.
APPROVALS BY PLAN TYPE														
NUECES AID - All Service Levels														
100%	522	468											990	
%	67.6%	68.2%											68%	The percentage of approvals by plan option is calculated by dividing the number for each plan option by the total numbers of approved applications.
90%	22	21											43	
%	2.8%	3.1%											2.9%	
80%	30	24											54	
%	3.9%	3.5%											3.7%	
70%	15	18											33	
%	1.9%	3%											2.3%	
60%	20	19											39	
%	2.6%	2.8%											2.7%	
50%	20	19											39	
%	2.6%	2.8%											2.7%	
TANF	14	12											26	
%	2%	1.7%											2%	
SSI-SSID	62	59											121	
%	8%	8.6%											8%	
Other Payor	67	46											113	
%	9%	6.7%											8%	
TOTAL	772	686	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,552	
%	100%	100.0%											106.4%	
PENDING APPLICATIONS														
Pending Documentation	92	95											94	The YTD number for incomplete applications is the average of the monthly incomplete applications.

**Nueces Aid Program
Application Processing Summary Calendar Year 2026**

2026	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD	Comments
NCHD DENIALS - Reasons for Denials														
Non Resident	0	2												2
%	0.0%	1.8%												0.8%
Over Income	40	27												67
%	28.2%	23.7%												26.2%
Over Resources	7	7												14
%	4.9%	6.1%												5.5%
Other Payer	35	30												65
%	24.6%	26.3%												25.4%
Requested Info Not Provided	60	48												108
%	42.3%	42.1%												42.2%
Undocumented Aliens	0	0												0
%	0.0%	0.0%												0.0%
TOTAL DENIALS	142	114	0	256										
HOUSEHOLDS BY SIZE - APPROVED														
1 Member Household	686	608												1,294
%	94.0%	94.0%												94.0%
2 Member Household	43	39												82
%	5.9%	6.0%												6.0%
3 or > Member Household	1	0												1
%	0.1%	0.0%												0.1%
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS APPROVED	730	647												1,377
HOUSEHOLDS BY SIZE - DENIED														
1 Member Household	115	97												212
%	88.5%	92%												89.8%
2 Member Household	13	8												21
%	10.0%	7.5%												8.9%
3 or > Member Household	2	1												3
%	1.5%	0.9%												1.3%
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS DENIED	130	106												236

The percentage for each denial reason is calculated by dividing the number of individuals for each reason by the total number of individuals denied.

The percentage for each size household is calculated by dividing the number of households in the category by the total number of approved households. Any households pending other payors are not included.

The denial percentage for each size household is calculated by dividing the number for each household size by the total number of denied households. Any households pending other payors are not included.

**NCHD
Eligibility History**

2020	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	CY Total	Avg	
NCHD	4,963	4,955	4,903	4,731	5,132	4,698	4,198	3,660	3,260	3,604	3,752	3,868	51,724	4,310	-14%
Pend	1,268	1,243	1,218	1,141	1,187	1,106	1,043	968	861	899	923	945	12,802	1,067	-18%
Total	6,231	6,198	6,121	5,872	6,319	5,804	5,241	4,628	4,121	4,503	4,675	4,813	64,526	5,377	-15%
% of PY	95%	96%	96%	93%	101%	93%	83%	73%	65%	70%	75%	79%	85%	85%	
2021	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	CY Total	Avg	
NCHD	3,806	3,678	3,567	3,521	3,667	3,852	3,953	4,080	4,142	4,091	3,948	3,863	46,168	3,847	-11%
Pend	932	921	922	964	981	1,014	1,052	1,028	1,039	1,060	1,070	1,076	12,059	1,005	-6%
Total	4,738	4,599	4,489	4,485	4,648	4,866	5,005	5,108	5,181	5,151	5,018	4,939	58,227	4,852	-10%
% of PY	76%	74%	73%	76%	74%	84%	95%	110%	126%	114%	107%	103%	90%	90%	
2022	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	CY Total	Avg	
NCHD	3,781	3,711	3,738	3,755	3,805	3,869	3,910	3,945	4,042	3,987	3,884	3,785	46,212	3,851	0%
Pend	1,093	1,061	1,110	1,113	1,144	1,150	1,147	1,183	1,191	1,191	1,181	1,171	13,735	1,145	14%
Total	4,874	4,772	4,848	4,868	4,949	5,019	5,057	5,128	5,233	5,178	5,065	4,956	59,947	4,996	3%
% of PY	103%	104%	108%	109%	106%	103%	101%	100%	101%	101%	101%	100%	103%	103%	
2023	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	CY Total	Avg	
NCHD	3,767	3,186	3,727	3,611	3,614	3,599	3,565	3,548	3,566	3,598	3,613	3,545	42,939	3,578	-7%
Pend	1,145	1,677	1,148	1,157	1,173	1,161	1,177	1,181	1,183	1,185	1,186	1,166	14,539	1,212	6%
Total	4,912	4,863	4,875	4,768	4,787	4,760	4,742	4,729	4,749	4,783	4,799	4,711	57,478	4,790	-4%
% of PY	101%	102%	101%	98%	97%	95%	94%	92%	91%	92%	95%	95%	96%	96%	
2024	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	CY Total	Avg	
NCHD	3,523	3,573	3,563	3,596	3,605	3,597	3,643	3,650	3,629	3,646	3,546	3,464	43,035	3,586	0%
Pend	1,161	1,185	1,175	1,171	1,177	1,157	1,180	1,182	1,177	1,183	1,159	1,121	14,028	1,169	-4%
Total	4,684	4,758	4,738	4,767	4,782	4,754	4,823	4,832	4,806	4,829	4,705	4,585	57,063	4,755	-1%
% of PY	95%	98%	97%	100%	100%	100%	102%	102%	101%	101%	98%	97%	99%	99%	
2025	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	CY Total	Avg	
NCHD	3,494	3,407	3,380	3,397	3,375	3,424	3,461	3,463	3,489	3,526	3,459	3,435	41,310	3,443	-4%
Pend	1,113	1,106	1,129	1,147	1,140	1,141	1,135	1,103	1,100	1,098	1,049	1,048	13,309	1,109	-5%
Total	4,607	4,513	4,509	4,544	4,515	4,565	4,596	4,566	4,589	4,624	4,508	4,483	54,619	4,552	-4%
% of PY	98%	95%	95%	95%	94%	96%	95%	94%	95%	96%	96%	98%	96%	96%	
2026	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	CY Total	Avg	
NCHD	3,466	3,496											6,962	3,481	1%
Pend	1,055	1,016											2,071	1,036	-7%
Total	4,521	4,512	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,033	4,517	-1%
% of PY	98%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	17%	99%	



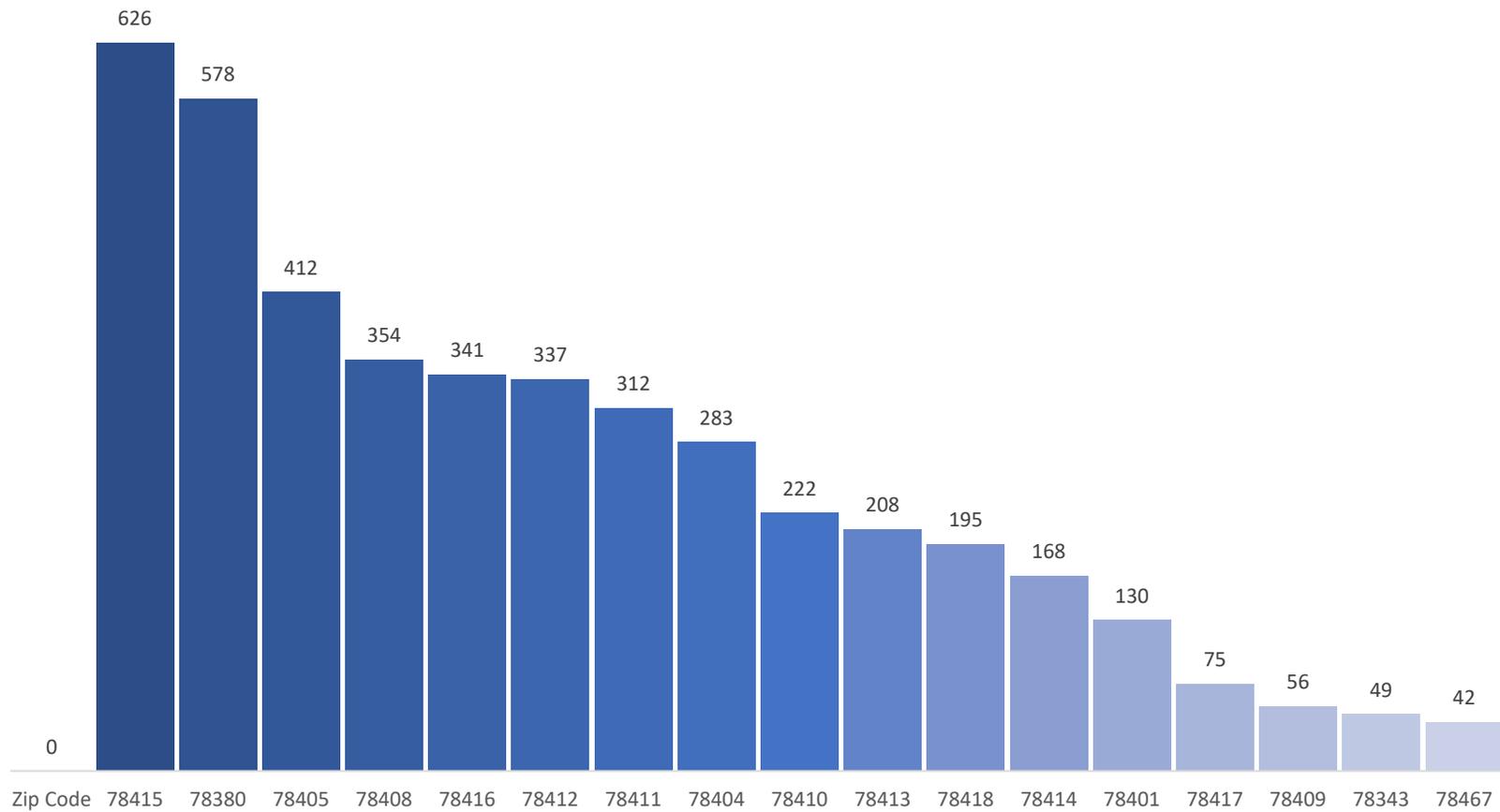
**Annual Comparative Enrollment Report
Calendar Year 2026**

Month	Enrollment		Increase/(Decrease)	
	2026	2025	%	Enrollees
Jan	4,521	4,607	-1.87%	-86
Feb	4,512	4,513	-0.02%	-1
Mar				
Apr				
May				
June				
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Nueces County Hospital District

Enrollment by Zipcode as of February 2026

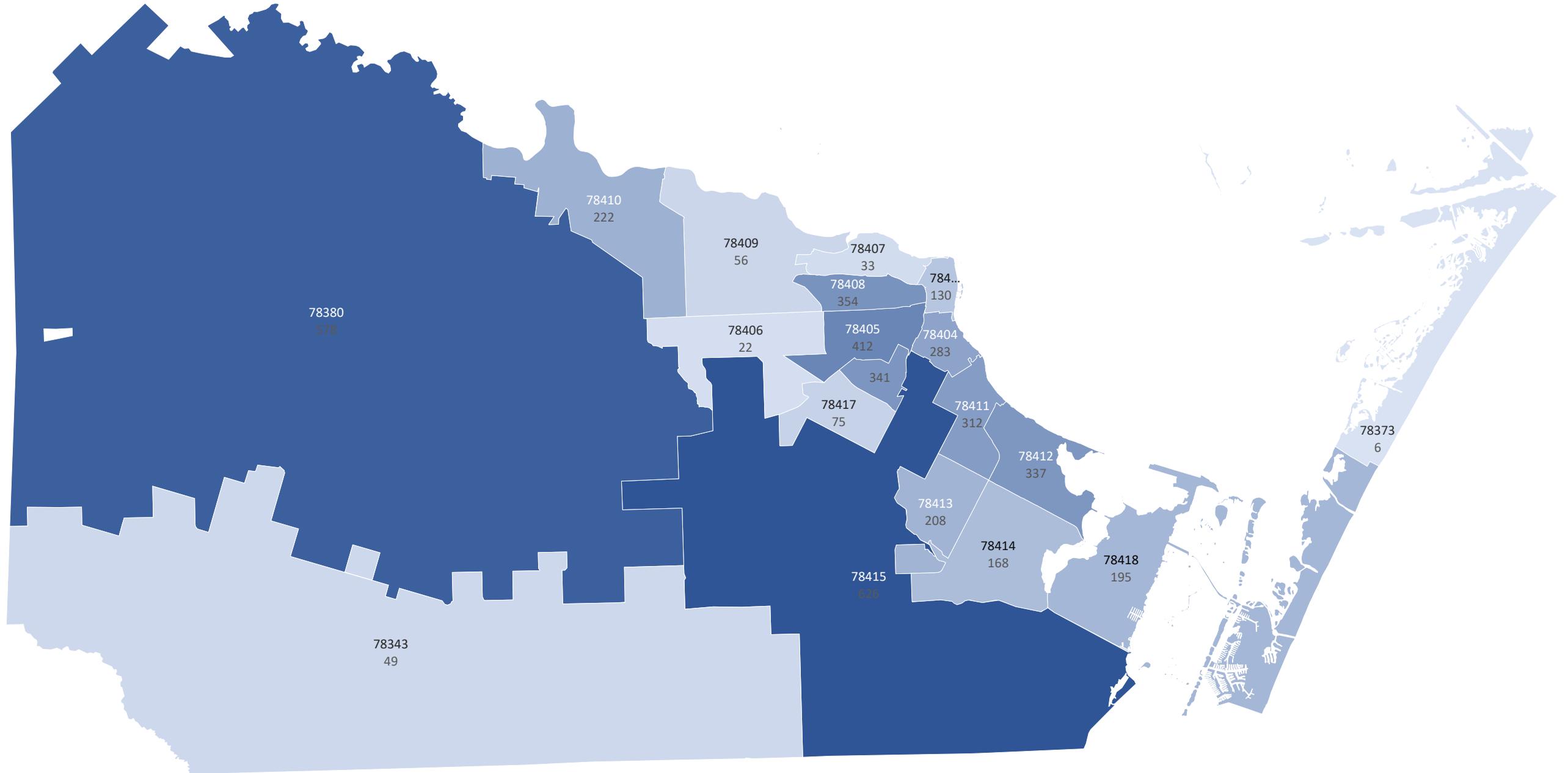


**Nueces County Hospital District
Enrollment by Zip Code
As of 02/28/2026**

Zip Code	Description	Members	% to Total
78415	CC:FM 665 to CR 61 to County Line to Weber & Crosstown	626	14%
78380	Robstown	578	13%
78405	CC:19th to Port Ave to Agnes, includes HPG	412	9%
78408	CC:Hwy 358 to Lipan Between I-37 & Agnes	354	8%
78416	CC:Hwy 358 to Old Brownsville to Tarlton to Weber, includes Molina	341	8%
78412	CC:Airline to Hwy 358 to Ennis Joslin to Ocean Drive	337	7%
78411	CC:Ocean Drive to So Staples to Hwy 358 to Weber to Kostoryz	312	7%
78404	CC:Six Points	283	6%
78410	CC:Annville and Calallen	222	5%
78413	CC:Weber to Holly rd to So Staples to Oso Pkwy	208	5%
78418	CC:Flour Bluff	195	4%
78414	CC:So Staples to Holly Rd to Cayo Del Oso to Oso Creek	168	4%
78401	CC:Downtown and Cargo Docks	130	3%
78417	CC:Old Brownsville to Ayers to Saratoga	75	2%
78409	CC:Hwy 44 to Up River Rd to Rand Morgan E to Hwy 358	56	1%
78343	Bishop + FM 665 to CR 107 W to CR 57E	49	1%
78467	CC: Leopard St Between S. Staples and Sam Rankin	42	1%
	Subtotal	4,388	97%
	Total	4,512	



Nueces County Hospital District Enrollment Map



emergencies. These respondents include adults, 18 years and older; adolescents, 15 to less than 18 years; and parents or guardians on behalf of their children less than 15 years of age.

In 2019, a PCCPHE GenIC, titled “Risk Factors for Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs),” was conducted to identify sources of and risk factors for HAB exposures. New information gained about HAB exposures were used to improve HAB incident response,

communication, and outreach at the state and national level.

No PCCPHE GenICs were conducted during the past three-year approval period. However, two NPDS-related follow-up studies were implemented during the 2020–2023 approval period using the Secretary’s Public Health Emergency PRA Waiver for COVID–19. During a non-pandemic situation, these two studies would have used this Generic ICR. These studies assessed

unintentional exposures associated with cleaning products (e.g., bleach, hand sanitizers) in home settings to determine knowledge, attitudes, and practices regarding cleaning behaviors and help guide public health messaging.

CDC requests OMB approval for an estimated 250 annual burden hours. No revisions affecting public burden are proposed and there is no cost to the respondents other than their time.

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS

Type of respondents	Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Adult Poison Center Callers	Call-back Questionnaire for Self	1,200	1	10/60	200
Adolescent Poison Center Callers	Call-back Questionnaire for Self	150	1	10/60	25
Parent or Guardian Poison Center Callers.	Call-back Questionnaire for Proxy ...	150	1	10/60	25
Total	250

Jeffrey M. Zirger,

Lead, Information Collection Review Office, Office of Public Health Ethics and Regulations, Office of Science, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Annual Update of the HHS Poverty Guidelines

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides an update of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) poverty guidelines to account for last calendar year’s increase in prices as measured by the Consumer Price Index.

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 13, 2026 unless an office administering a program using the guidelines specifies a different effective date for that particular program.

ADDRESSES: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Room 404E, Humphrey Building, Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC 20201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about how the guidelines are used or how income is defined in a particular program, contact the Federal, state, or local office that is responsible for that program. For information about

poverty figures for immigration forms, the Hill-Burton Uncompensated Services Program, and the number of people in poverty, use the specific telephone numbers and addresses given below.

For general questions about the poverty guidelines themselves, visit <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/> or contact Jennifer Burnszynski in the HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation at osaspeinfo@hhs.gov or (202) 690–7858.

For information about the percentage multiple of the poverty guidelines to be used on immigration forms such as USCIS Form I–864, Affidavit of Support, contact U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services at 1–800–375–5283. You also may visit <https://www.uscis.gov/i-864>.

For information about the Hill-Burton Uncompensated Services Program (free or reduced-fee health care services at certain hospitals and other facilities for persons meeting eligibility criteria involving the poverty guidelines), visit <https://www.hrsa.gov/get-health-care/affordable/hill-burton/index.html>.

For information about the number of people in poverty, visit the Poverty section of the Census Bureau’s website at <https://www.census.gov/topics/income-poverty/poverty.html> or contact the Census Bureau’s Customer Service Center at 1–800–923–8282 (toll-free) or visit <https://ask.census.gov> for further information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Section 673(2) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (OBRA) of 1981 (42 U.S.C. 9902(2)) requires the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services to update the poverty guidelines at least annually, adjusting them on the basis of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI–U). The poverty guidelines are used by Medicaid and a number of other Federal programs as a criterion for some or all eligibility determinations. The *poverty guidelines* issued here are a simplified version of the *poverty thresholds* that the Census Bureau uses to prepare its estimates of the number of individuals and families in poverty.

As required by law, this update is accomplished by increasing the latest published Census Bureau poverty thresholds by the applicable percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI–U). The guidelines in this 2026 notice reflect the 2.63 percent price increase between calendar years 2024 and 2025. After updating for inflation, the guidelines are rounded and standardized to establish the same interval between each family size. In rare circumstances, rounding and standardizing in the formula result in small decreases in the poverty guidelines for some household sizes even when the inflation factor is not negative. In cases where the year-to-year change in inflation is not negative and rounding and standardizing in the formula result in reductions to the guidelines from the previous year for some household sizes, the guidelines **107**

the affected household sizes are fixed at the prior year's guidelines. As in prior years, these 2026 guidelines are roughly equal to the poverty thresholds for calendar year 2025, which the Census Bureau expects to publish in final form in September 2026.

The poverty guidelines continue to be derived from the Census Bureau's current official poverty thresholds; they are not derived from the Census Bureau's Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM).

The following guideline figures represent annual income.

2026 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1	\$15,960
2	21,640
3	27,320
4	33,000
5	38,680
6	44,360
7	50,040
8	55,720

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$5,680 for each additional person.

2026 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR ALASKA

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1	\$19,950
2	27,050
3	34,150
4	41,250
5	48,350
6	55,450
7	62,550
8	69,650

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$7,100 for each additional person.

2026 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR HAWAII

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1	\$18,360
2	24,890
3	31,420
4	37,950
5	44,480
6	51,010
7	57,540
8	64,070

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$6,530 for each additional person.

Separate poverty guideline figures for Alaska and Hawaii reflect Office of Economic Opportunity administrative practice beginning in the 1966–1970 period. (Note that the Census Bureau poverty thresholds—the version of the poverty measure used for statistical purposes—have never had separate figures for Alaska and Hawaii.) The poverty guidelines are not defined for Puerto Rico or other outlying jurisdictions. In cases in which a Federal program using the poverty guidelines serves any of those jurisdictions, the Federal office that administers the program is generally responsible for deciding whether to use the contiguous-states-and-DC guidelines for those jurisdictions or to follow some other procedure.

Due to confusing legislative language dating back to 1972, the poverty guidelines sometimes have been mistakenly referred to as the “OMB” (Office of Management and Budget) poverty guidelines or poverty line. In fact, OMB has never issued the guidelines; the guidelines are issued each year by the Department of Health and Human Services. The poverty guidelines may be formally referenced as “the poverty guidelines updated periodically in the **Federal Register** by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2).”

Some federal programs use a percentage multiple of the guidelines (for example, 125 percent or 185 percent of the guidelines), as noted in relevant authorizing legislation or program regulations. Non-Federal organizations that use the poverty guidelines under their own authority in non-Federally-funded activities also may choose to use a percentage multiple of the guidelines.

The poverty guidelines do not make a distinction between farm and non-farm families, or between aged and non-aged units. (Only the Census Bureau poverty thresholds have separate figures for aged and non-aged one-person and two-person units.)

This notice does not provide definitions of such terms as “income” or “family” as there is considerable variation of these terms among programs that use the poverty guidelines. The legislation or regulations governing each program define these terms and determine how the program applies the poverty guidelines. In cases where legislation or regulations do not establish these definitions, the entity that administers or funds the program is responsible to define such terms as

“income” and “family.” Therefore, questions such as net or gross income, counted or excluded income, or household size should be directed to the entity that administers or funds the program.

Date: January 13, 2026.

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.,
Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; Amended Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the Population based Research in Infectious Disease Study Section, October 30, 2025, 10:00 a.m. to October 31, 2025, 06:00 p.m., National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 which was published in the **Federal Register** on 9/24/2025 2025, 90 FR 45951, Doc Number 2025–18519

This meeting is being amended to change the date to January 12 to January 13, 2026.

Dated: January 12, 2026.

Bruce A. George,
Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 1009 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

2026 Poverty Guidelines: 48 Contiguous States (all states except Alaska and Hawaii)

Dollars Per Year

Household/ Family Size	50%	75%	100%	125%	130%	133%	135%	138%	150%	175%	180%	185%
1	7,980.00	11,970.00	15,960.00	19,950.00	20,748.00	21,226.80	21,546.00	22,024.80	23,940.00	27,930.00	28,728.00	29,526.00
2	10,820.00	16,230.00	21,640.00	27,050.00	28,132.00	28,781.20	29,214.00	29,863.20	32,460.00	37,870.00	38,952.00	40,034.00
3	13,660.00	20,490.00	27,320.00	34,150.00	35,516.00	36,335.60	36,882.00	37,701.60	40,980.00	47,810.00	49,176.00	50,542.00
4	16,500.00	24,750.00	33,000.00	41,250.00	42,900.00	43,890.00	44,550.00	45,540.00	49,500.00	57,750.00	59,400.00	61,050.00
5	19,340.00	29,010.00	38,680.00	48,350.00	50,284.00	51,444.40	52,218.00	53,378.40	58,020.00	67,690.00	69,624.00	71,558.00
6	22,180.00	33,270.00	44,360.00	55,450.00	57,668.00	58,998.80	59,886.00	61,216.80	66,540.00	77,630.00	79,848.00	82,066.00
7	25,020.00	37,530.00	50,040.00	62,550.00	65,052.00	66,553.20	67,554.00	69,055.20	75,060.00	87,570.00	90,072.00	92,574.00
8	27,860.00	41,790.00	55,720.00	69,650.00	72,436.00	74,107.60	75,222.00	76,893.60	83,580.00	97,510.00	100,296.00	103,082.00
9	30,700.00	46,050.00	61,400.00	76,750.00	79,820.00	81,662.00	82,890.00	84,732.00	92,100.00	107,450.00	110,520.00	113,590.00
10	33,540.00	50,310.00	67,080.00	83,850.00	87,204.00	89,216.40	90,558.00	92,570.40	100,620.00	117,390.00	120,744.00	124,098.00
11	36,380.00	54,570.00	72,760.00	90,950.00	94,588.00	96,770.80	98,226.00	100,408.80	109,140.00	127,330.00	130,968.00	134,606.00
12	39,220.00	58,830.00	78,440.00	98,050.00	101,972.00	104,325.20	105,894.00	108,247.20	117,660.00	137,270.00	141,192.00	145,114.00
13	42,060.00	63,090.00	84,120.00	105,150.00	109,356.00	111,879.60	113,562.00	116,085.60	126,180.00	147,210.00	151,416.00	155,622.00
14	44,900.00	67,350.00	89,800.00	112,250.00	116,740.00	119,434.00	121,230.00	123,924.00	134,700.00	157,150.00	161,640.00	166,130.00

Household/ Family Size	200%	225%	250%	275%	300%	325%	350%	375%	400%	500%	600%	700%
1	31,920.00	35,910.00	39,900.00	43,890.00	47,880.00	51,870.00	55,860.00	59,850.00	63,840.00	79,800.00	95,760.00	111,720.00
2	43,280.00	48,690.00	54,100.00	59,510.00	64,920.00	70,330.00	75,740.00	81,150.00	86,560.00	108,200.00	129,840.00	151,480.00
3	54,640.00	61,470.00	68,300.00	75,130.00	81,960.00	88,790.00	95,620.00	102,450.00	109,280.00	136,600.00	163,920.00	191,240.00
4	66,000.00	74,250.00	82,500.00	90,750.00	99,000.00	107,250.00	115,500.00	123,750.00	132,000.00	165,000.00	198,000.00	231,000.00
5	77,360.00	87,030.00	96,700.00	106,370.00	116,040.00	125,710.00	135,380.00	145,050.00	154,720.00	193,400.00	232,080.00	270,760.00
6	88,720.00	99,810.00	110,900.00	121,990.00	133,080.00	144,170.00	155,260.00	166,350.00	177,440.00	221,800.00	266,160.00	310,520.00
7	100,080.00	112,590.00	125,100.00	137,610.00	150,120.00	162,630.00	175,140.00	187,650.00	200,160.00	250,200.00	300,240.00	350,280.00
8	111,440.00	125,370.00	139,300.00	153,230.00	167,160.00	181,090.00	195,020.00	208,950.00	222,880.00	278,600.00	334,320.00	390,040.00
9	122,800.00	138,150.00	153,500.00	168,850.00	184,200.00	199,550.00	214,900.00	230,250.00	245,600.00	307,000.00	368,400.00	429,800.00
10	134,160.00	150,930.00	167,700.00	184,470.00	201,240.00	218,010.00	234,780.00	251,550.00	268,320.00	335,400.00	402,480.00	469,560.00
11	145,520.00	163,710.00	181,900.00	200,090.00	218,280.00	236,470.00	254,660.00	272,850.00	291,040.00	363,800.00	436,560.00	509,320.00
12	156,880.00	176,490.00	196,100.00	215,710.00	235,320.00	254,930.00	274,540.00	294,150.00	313,760.00	392,200.00	470,640.00	549,080.00
13	168,240.00	189,270.00	210,300.00	231,330.00	252,360.00	273,390.00	294,420.00	315,450.00	336,480.00	420,600.00	504,720.00	588,840.00
14	179,600.00	202,050.00	224,500.00	246,950.00	269,400.00	291,850.00	314,300.00	336,750.00	359,200.00	449,000.00	538,800.00	628,600.00

Note: Each individual program--e.g., SNAP, Medicaid--determines how to round various multiples of the poverty guidelines, what income is to be included, and how the eligibility unit is defined. For more information about the poverty guidelines visit: <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty>.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

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1	665.00	997.50	1,330.00	1,662.50	1,729.00	1,768.90	1,795.50	1,835.40	1,995.00	2,327.50	2,394.00	2,460.50
2	901.67	1,352.50	1,803.33	2,254.17	2,344.33	2,398.43	2,434.50	2,488.60	2,705.00	3,155.83	3,246.00	3,336.17
3	1,138.33	1,707.50	2,276.67	2,845.83	2,959.67	3,027.97	3,073.50	3,141.80	3,415.00	3,984.17	4,098.00	4,211.83
4	1,375.00	2,062.50	2,750.00	3,437.50	3,575.00	3,657.50	3,712.50	3,795.00	4,125.00	4,812.50	4,950.00	5,087.50
5	1,611.67	2,417.50	3,223.33	4,029.17	4,190.33	4,287.03	4,351.50	4,448.20	4,835.00	5,640.83	5,802.00	5,963.17
6	1,848.33	2,772.50	3,696.67	4,620.83	4,805.67	4,916.57	4,990.50	5,101.40	5,545.00	6,469.17	6,654.00	6,838.83
7	2,085.00	3,127.50	4,170.00	5,212.50	5,421.00	5,546.10	5,629.50	5,754.60	6,255.00	7,297.50	7,506.00	7,714.50
8	2,321.67	3,482.50	4,643.33	5,804.17	6,036.33	6,175.63	6,268.50	6,407.80	6,965.00	8,125.83	8,358.00	8,590.17
9	2,558.33	3,837.50	5,116.67	6,395.83	6,651.67	6,805.17	6,907.50	7,061.00	7,675.00	8,954.17	9,210.00	9,465.83
10	2,795.00	4,192.50	5,590.00	6,987.50	7,267.00	7,434.70	7,546.50	7,714.20	8,385.00	9,782.50	10,062.00	10,341.50
11	3,031.67	4,547.50	6,063.33	7,579.17	7,882.33	8,064.23	8,185.50	8,367.40	9,095.00	10,610.83	10,914.00	11,217.17
12	3,268.33	4,902.50	6,536.67	8,170.83	8,497.67	8,693.77	8,824.50	9,020.60	9,805.00	11,439.17	11,766.00	12,092.83
13	3,505.00	5,257.50	7,010.00	8,762.50	9,113.00	9,323.30	9,463.50	9,673.80	10,515.00	12,267.50	12,618.00	12,968.50
14	3,741.67	5,612.50	7,483.33	9,354.17	9,728.33	9,952.83	10,102.50	10,327.00	11,225.00	13,095.83	13,470.00	13,844.17

Household/ Family Size	200%	225%	250%	275%	300%	325%	350%	375%	400%	500%	600%	700%
1	2,660.00	2,992.50	3,325.00	3,657.50	3,990.00	4,322.50	4,655.00	4,987.50	5,320.00	6,650.00	7,980.00	9,310.00
2	3,606.67	4,057.50	4,508.33	4,959.17	5,410.00	5,860.83	6,311.67	6,762.50	7,213.33	9,016.67	10,820.00	12,623.33
3	4,553.33	5,122.50	5,691.67	6,260.83	6,830.00	7,399.17	7,968.33	8,537.50	9,106.67	11,383.33	13,660.00	15,936.67
4	5,500.00	6,187.50	6,875.00	7,562.50	8,250.00	8,937.50	9,625.00	10,312.50	11,000.00	13,750.00	16,500.00	19,250.00
5	6,446.67	7,252.50	8,058.33	8,864.17	9,670.00	10,475.83	11,281.67	12,087.50	12,893.33	16,116.67	19,340.00	22,563.33
6	7,393.33	8,317.50	9,241.67	10,165.83	11,090.00	12,014.17	12,938.33	13,862.50	14,786.67	18,483.33	22,180.00	25,876.67
7	8,340.00	9,382.50	10,425.00	11,467.50	12,510.00	13,552.50	14,595.00	15,637.50	16,680.00	20,850.00	25,020.00	29,190.00
8	9,286.67	10,447.50	11,608.33	12,769.17	13,930.00	15,090.83	16,251.67	17,412.50	18,573.33	23,216.67	27,860.00	32,503.33
9	10,233.33	11,512.50	12,791.67	14,070.83	15,350.00	16,629.17	17,908.33	19,187.50	20,466.67	25,583.33	30,700.00	35,816.67
10	11,180.00	12,577.50	13,975.00	15,372.50	16,770.00	18,167.50	19,565.00	20,962.50	22,360.00	27,950.00	33,540.00	39,130.00
11	12,126.67	13,642.50	15,158.33	16,674.17	18,190.00	19,705.83	21,221.67	22,737.50	24,253.33	30,316.67	36,380.00	42,443.33
12	13,073.33	14,707.50	16,341.67	17,975.83	19,610.00	21,244.17	22,878.33	24,512.50	26,146.67	32,683.33	39,220.00	45,756.67
13	14,020.00	15,772.50	17,525.00	19,277.50	21,030.00	22,782.50	24,535.00	26,287.50	28,040.00	35,050.00	42,060.00	49,070.00
14	14,966.67	16,837.50	18,708.33	20,579.17	22,450.00	24,320.83	26,191.67	28,062.50	29,933.33	37,416.67	44,900.00	52,383.33

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2026 Poverty Guidelines: Alaska

Dollars Per Year

Household/ Family Size	50%	75%	100%	125%	130%	133%	135%	138%	150%	175%	180%	185%
1	9,975.00	14,962.50	19,950.00	24,937.50	25,935.00	26,533.50	26,932.50	27,531.00	29,925.00	34,912.50	35,910.00	36,907.50
2	13,525.00	20,287.50	27,050.00	33,812.50	35,165.00	35,976.50	36,517.50	37,329.00	40,575.00	47,337.50	48,690.00	50,042.50
3	17,075.00	25,612.50	34,150.00	42,687.50	44,395.00	45,419.50	46,102.50	47,127.00	51,225.00	59,762.50	61,470.00	63,177.50
4	20,625.00	30,937.50	41,250.00	51,562.50	53,625.00	54,862.50	55,687.50	56,925.00	61,875.00	72,187.50	74,250.00	76,312.50
5	24,175.00	36,262.50	48,350.00	60,437.50	62,855.00	64,305.50	65,272.50	66,723.00	72,525.00	84,612.50	87,030.00	89,447.50
6	27,725.00	41,587.50	55,450.00	69,312.50	72,085.00	73,748.50	74,857.50	76,521.00	83,175.00	97,037.50	99,810.00	102,582.50
7	31,275.00	46,912.50	62,550.00	78,187.50	81,315.00	83,191.50	84,442.50	86,319.00	93,825.00	109,462.50	112,590.00	115,717.50
8	34,825.00	52,237.50	69,650.00	87,062.50	90,545.00	92,634.50	94,027.50	96,117.00	104,475.00	121,887.50	125,370.00	128,852.50
9	38,375.00	57,562.50	76,750.00	95,937.50	99,775.00	102,077.50	103,612.50	105,915.00	115,125.00	134,312.50	138,150.00	141,987.50
10	41,925.00	62,887.50	83,850.00	104,812.50	109,005.00	111,520.50	113,197.50	115,713.00	125,775.00	146,737.50	150,930.00	155,122.50
11	45,475.00	68,212.50	90,950.00	113,687.50	118,235.00	120,963.50	122,782.50	125,511.00	136,425.00	159,162.50	163,710.00	168,257.50
12	49,025.00	73,537.50	98,050.00	122,562.50	127,465.00	130,406.50	132,367.50	135,309.00	147,075.00	171,587.50	176,490.00	181,392.50
13	52,575.00	78,862.50	105,150.00	131,437.50	136,695.00	139,849.50	141,952.50	145,107.00	157,725.00	184,012.50	189,270.00	194,527.50
14	56,125.00	84,187.50	112,250.00	140,312.50	145,925.00	149,292.50	151,537.50	154,905.00	168,375.00	196,437.50	202,050.00	207,662.50

Household/ Family Size	200%	225%	250%	275%	300%	325%	350%	375%	400%	500%	600%	700%
1	39,900.00	44,887.50	49,875.00	54,862.50	59,850.00	64,837.50	69,825.00	74,812.50	79,800.00	99,750.00	119,700.00	139,650.00
2	54,100.00	60,862.50	67,625.00	74,387.50	81,150.00	87,912.50	94,675.00	101,437.50	108,200.00	135,250.00	162,300.00	189,350.00
3	68,300.00	76,837.50	85,375.00	93,912.50	102,450.00	110,987.50	119,525.00	128,062.50	136,600.00	170,750.00	204,900.00	239,050.00
4	82,500.00	92,812.50	103,125.00	113,437.50	123,750.00	134,062.50	144,375.00	154,687.50	165,000.00	206,250.00	247,500.00	288,750.00
5	96,700.00	108,787.50	120,875.00	132,962.50	145,050.00	157,137.50	169,225.00	181,312.50	193,400.00	241,750.00	290,100.00	338,450.00
6	110,900.00	124,762.50	138,625.00	152,487.50	166,350.00	180,212.50	194,075.00	207,937.50	221,800.00	277,250.00	332,700.00	388,150.00
7	125,100.00	140,737.50	156,375.00	172,012.50	187,650.00	203,287.50	218,925.00	234,562.50	250,200.00	312,750.00	375,300.00	437,850.00
8	139,300.00	156,712.50	174,125.00	191,537.50	208,950.00	226,362.50	243,775.00	261,187.50	278,600.00	348,250.00	417,900.00	487,550.00
9	153,500.00	172,687.50	191,875.00	211,062.50	230,250.00	249,437.50	268,625.00	287,812.50	307,000.00	383,750.00	460,500.00	537,250.00
10	167,700.00	188,662.50	209,625.00	230,587.50	251,550.00	272,512.50	293,475.00	314,437.50	335,400.00	419,250.00	503,100.00	586,950.00
11	181,900.00	204,637.50	227,375.00	250,112.50	272,850.00	295,587.50	318,325.00	341,062.50	363,800.00	454,750.00	545,700.00	636,650.00
12	196,100.00	220,612.50	245,125.00	269,637.50	294,150.00	318,662.50	343,175.00	367,687.50	392,200.00	490,250.00	588,300.00	686,350.00
13	210,300.00	236,587.50	262,875.00	289,162.50	315,450.00	341,737.50	368,025.00	394,312.50	420,600.00	525,750.00	630,900.00	736,050.00
14	224,500.00	252,562.50	280,625.00	308,687.50	336,750.00	364,812.50	392,875.00	420,937.50	449,000.00	561,250.00	673,500.00	785,750.00

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2026 Poverty Guidelines: Alaska

Dollars Per Month

Household/ Family Size	50%	75%	100%	125%	130%	133%	135%	138%	150%	175%	180%	185%
1	831.25	1,246.88	1,662.50	2,078.13	2,161.25	2,211.13	2,244.38	2,294.25	2,493.75	2,909.38	2,992.50	3,075.63
2	1,127.08	1,690.63	2,254.17	2,817.71	2,930.42	2,998.04	3,043.13	3,110.75	3,381.25	3,944.79	4,057.50	4,170.21
3	1,422.92	2,134.38	2,845.83	3,557.29	3,699.58	3,784.96	3,841.88	3,927.25	4,268.75	4,980.21	5,122.50	5,264.79
4	1,718.75	2,578.13	3,437.50	4,296.88	4,468.75	4,571.88	4,640.63	4,743.75	5,156.25	6,015.63	6,187.50	6,359.38
5	2,014.58	3,021.88	4,029.17	5,036.46	5,237.92	5,358.79	5,439.38	5,560.25	6,043.75	7,051.04	7,252.50	7,453.96
6	2,310.42	3,465.63	4,620.83	5,776.04	6,007.08	6,145.71	6,238.13	6,376.75	6,931.25	8,086.46	8,317.50	8,548.54
7	2,606.25	3,909.38	5,212.50	6,515.63	6,776.25	6,932.63	7,036.88	7,193.25	7,818.75	9,121.88	9,382.50	9,643.13
8	2,902.08	4,353.13	5,804.17	7,255.21	7,545.42	7,719.54	7,835.63	8,009.75	8,706.25	10,157.29	10,447.50	10,737.71
9	3,197.92	4,796.88	6,395.83	7,994.79	8,314.58	8,506.46	8,634.38	8,826.25	9,593.75	11,192.71	11,512.50	11,832.29
10	3,493.75	5,240.63	6,987.50	8,734.38	9,083.75	9,293.38	9,433.13	9,642.75	10,481.25	12,228.13	12,577.50	12,926.88
11	3,789.58	5,684.38	7,579.17	9,473.96	9,852.92	10,080.29	10,231.88	10,459.25	11,368.75	13,263.54	13,642.50	14,021.46
12	4,085.42	6,128.13	8,170.83	10,213.54	10,622.08	10,867.21	11,030.63	11,275.75	12,256.25	14,298.96	14,707.50	15,116.04
13	4,381.25	6,571.88	8,762.50	10,953.13	11,391.25	11,654.13	11,829.38	12,092.25	13,143.75	15,334.38	15,772.50	16,210.63
14	4,677.08	7,015.63	9,354.17	11,692.71	12,160.42	12,441.04	12,628.13	12,908.75	14,031.25	16,369.79	16,837.50	17,305.21

Household/ Family Size	200%	225%	250%	275%	300%	325%	350%	375%	400%	500%	600%	700%
1	3,325.00	3,740.63	4,156.25	4,571.88	4,987.50	5,403.13	5,818.75	6,234.38	6,650.00	8,312.50	9,975.00	11,637.50
2	4,508.33	5,071.88	5,635.42	6,198.96	6,762.50	7,326.04	7,889.58	8,453.13	9,016.67	11,270.83	13,525.00	15,779.17
3	5,691.67	6,403.13	7,114.58	7,826.04	8,537.50	9,248.96	9,960.42	10,671.88	11,383.33	14,229.17	17,075.00	19,920.83
4	6,875.00	7,734.38	8,593.75	9,453.13	10,312.50	11,171.88	12,031.25	12,890.63	13,750.00	17,187.50	20,625.00	24,062.50
5	8,058.33	9,065.63	10,072.92	11,080.21	12,087.50	13,094.79	14,102.08	15,109.38	16,116.67	20,145.83	24,175.00	28,204.17
6	9,241.67	10,396.88	11,552.08	12,707.29	13,862.50	15,017.71	16,172.92	17,328.13	18,483.33	23,104.17	27,725.00	32,345.83
7	10,425.00	11,728.13	13,031.25	14,334.38	15,637.50	16,940.63	18,243.75	19,546.88	20,850.00	26,062.50	31,275.00	36,487.50
8	11,608.33	13,059.38	14,510.42	15,961.46	17,412.50	18,863.54	20,314.58	21,765.63	23,216.67	29,020.83	34,825.00	40,629.17
9	12,791.67	14,390.63	15,989.58	17,588.54	19,187.50	20,786.46	22,385.42	23,984.38	25,583.33	31,979.17	38,375.00	44,770.83
10	13,975.00	15,721.88	17,468.75	19,215.63	20,962.50	22,709.38	24,456.25	26,203.13	27,950.00	34,937.50	41,925.00	48,912.50
11	15,158.33	17,053.13	18,947.92	20,842.71	22,737.50	24,632.29	26,527.08	28,421.88	30,316.67	37,895.83	45,475.00	53,054.17
12	16,341.67	18,384.38	20,427.08	22,469.79	24,512.50	26,555.21	28,597.92	30,640.63	32,683.33	40,854.17	49,025.00	57,195.83
13	17,525.00	19,715.63	21,906.25	24,096.88	26,287.50	28,478.13	30,668.75	32,859.38	35,050.00	43,812.50	52,575.00	61,337.50
14	18,708.33	21,046.88	23,385.42	25,723.96	28,062.50	30,401.04	32,739.58	35,078.13	37,416.67	46,770.83	56,125.00	65,479.17

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2026 Poverty Guidelines: Hawaii

Dollars Per Year

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1	9,180.00	13,770.00	18,360.00	22,950.00	23,868.00	24,418.80	24,786.00	25,336.80	27,540.00	32,130.00	33,048.00	33,966.00
2	12,445.00	18,667.50	24,890.00	31,112.50	32,357.00	33,103.70	33,601.50	34,348.20	37,335.00	43,557.50	44,802.00	46,046.50
3	15,710.00	23,565.00	31,420.00	39,275.00	40,846.00	41,788.60	42,417.00	43,359.60	47,130.00	54,985.00	56,556.00	58,127.00
4	18,975.00	28,462.50	37,950.00	47,437.50	49,335.00	50,473.50	51,232.50	52,371.00	56,925.00	66,412.50	68,310.00	70,207.50
5	22,240.00	33,360.00	44,480.00	55,600.00	57,824.00	59,158.40	60,048.00	61,382.40	66,720.00	77,840.00	80,064.00	82,288.00
6	25,505.00	38,257.50	51,010.00	63,762.50	66,313.00	67,843.30	68,863.50	70,393.80	76,515.00	89,267.50	91,818.00	94,368.50
7	28,770.00	43,155.00	57,540.00	71,925.00	74,802.00	76,528.20	77,679.00	79,405.20	86,310.00	100,695.00	103,572.00	106,449.00
8	32,035.00	48,052.50	64,070.00	80,087.50	83,291.00	85,213.10	86,494.50	88,416.60	96,105.00	112,122.50	115,326.00	118,529.50
9	35,300.00	52,950.00	70,600.00	88,250.00	91,780.00	93,898.00	95,310.00	97,428.00	105,900.00	123,550.00	127,080.00	130,610.00
10	38,565.00	57,847.50	77,130.00	96,412.50	100,269.00	102,582.90	104,125.50	106,439.40	115,695.00	134,977.50	138,834.00	142,690.50
11	41,830.00	62,745.00	83,660.00	104,575.00	108,758.00	111,267.80	112,941.00	115,450.80	125,490.00	146,405.00	150,588.00	154,771.00
12	45,095.00	67,642.50	90,190.00	112,737.50	117,247.00	119,952.70	121,756.50	124,462.20	135,285.00	157,832.50	162,342.00	166,851.50
13	48,360.00	72,540.00	96,720.00	120,900.00	125,736.00	128,637.60	130,572.00	133,473.60	145,080.00	169,260.00	174,096.00	178,932.00
14	51,625.00	77,437.50	103,250.00	129,062.50	134,225.00	137,322.50	139,387.50	142,485.00	154,875.00	180,687.50	185,850.00	191,012.50

Household/ Family Size	200%	225%	250%	275%	300%	325%	350%	375%	400%	500%	600%	700%
1	36,720.00	41,310.00	45,900.00	50,490.00	55,080.00	59,670.00	64,260.00	68,850.00	73,440.00	91,800.00	110,160.00	128,520.00
2	49,780.00	56,002.50	62,225.00	68,447.50	74,670.00	80,892.50	87,115.00	93,337.50	99,560.00	124,450.00	149,340.00	174,230.00
3	62,840.00	70,695.00	78,550.00	86,405.00	94,260.00	102,115.00	109,970.00	117,825.00	125,680.00	157,100.00	188,520.00	219,940.00
4	75,900.00	85,387.50	94,875.00	104,362.50	113,850.00	123,337.50	132,825.00	142,312.50	151,800.00	189,750.00	227,700.00	265,650.00
5	88,960.00	100,080.00	111,200.00	122,320.00	133,440.00	144,560.00	155,680.00	166,800.00	177,920.00	222,400.00	266,880.00	311,360.00
6	102,020.00	114,772.50	127,525.00	140,277.50	153,030.00	165,782.50	178,535.00	191,287.50	204,040.00	255,050.00	306,060.00	357,070.00
7	115,080.00	129,465.00	143,850.00	158,235.00	172,620.00	187,005.00	201,390.00	215,775.00	230,160.00	287,700.00	345,240.00	402,780.00
8	128,140.00	144,157.50	160,175.00	176,192.50	192,210.00	208,227.50	224,245.00	240,262.50	256,280.00	320,350.00	384,420.00	448,490.00
9	141,200.00	158,850.00	176,500.00	194,150.00	211,800.00	229,450.00	247,100.00	264,750.00	282,400.00	353,000.00	423,600.00	494,200.00
10	154,260.00	173,542.50	192,825.00	212,107.50	231,390.00	250,672.50	269,955.00	289,237.50	308,520.00	385,650.00	462,780.00	539,910.00
11	167,320.00	188,235.00	209,150.00	230,065.00	250,980.00	271,895.00	292,810.00	313,725.00	334,640.00	418,300.00	501,960.00	585,620.00
12	180,380.00	202,927.50	225,475.00	248,022.50	270,570.00	293,117.50	315,665.00	338,212.50	360,760.00	450,950.00	541,140.00	631,330.00
13	193,440.00	217,620.00	241,800.00	265,980.00	290,160.00	314,340.00	338,520.00	362,700.00	386,880.00	483,600.00	580,320.00	677,040.00
14	206,500.00	232,312.50	258,125.00	283,937.50	309,750.00	335,562.50	361,375.00	387,187.50	413,000.00	516,250.00	619,500.00	722,750.00

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1	765.00	1,147.50	1,530.00	1,912.50	1,989.00	2,034.90	2,065.50	2,111.40	2,295.00	2,677.50	2,754.00	2,830.50
2	1,037.08	1,555.63	2,074.17	2,592.71	2,696.42	2,758.64	2,800.13	2,862.35	3,111.25	3,629.79	3,733.50	3,837.21
3	1,309.17	1,963.75	2,618.33	3,272.92	3,403.83	3,482.38	3,534.75	3,613.30	3,927.50	4,582.08	4,713.00	4,843.92
4	1,581.25	2,371.88	3,162.50	3,953.13	4,111.25	4,206.13	4,269.38	4,364.25	4,743.75	5,534.38	5,692.50	5,850.63
5	1,853.33	2,780.00	3,706.67	4,633.33	4,818.67	4,929.87	5,004.00	5,115.20	5,560.00	6,486.67	6,672.00	6,857.33
6	2,125.42	3,188.13	4,250.83	5,313.54	5,526.08	5,653.61	5,738.63	5,866.15	6,376.25	7,438.96	7,651.50	7,864.04
7	2,397.50	3,596.25	4,795.00	5,993.75	6,233.50	6,377.35	6,473.25	6,617.10	7,192.50	8,391.25	8,631.00	8,870.75
8	2,669.58	4,004.38	5,339.17	6,673.96	6,940.92	7,101.09	7,207.88	7,368.05	8,008.75	9,343.54	9,610.50	9,877.46
9	2,941.67	4,412.50	5,883.33	7,354.17	7,648.33	7,824.83	7,942.50	8,119.00	8,825.00	10,295.83	10,590.00	10,884.17
10	3,213.75	4,820.63	6,427.50	8,034.38	8,355.75	8,548.58	8,677.13	8,869.95	9,641.25	11,248.13	11,569.50	11,890.88
11	3,485.83	5,228.75	6,971.67	8,714.58	9,063.17	9,272.32	9,411.75	9,620.90	10,457.50	12,200.42	12,549.00	12,897.58
12	3,757.92	5,636.88	7,515.83	9,394.79	9,770.58	9,996.06	10,146.38	10,371.85	11,273.75	13,152.71	13,528.50	13,904.29
13	4,030.00	6,045.00	8,060.00	10,075.00	10,478.00	10,719.80	10,881.00	11,122.80	12,090.00	14,105.00	14,508.00	14,911.00
14	4,302.08	6,453.13	8,604.17	10,755.21	11,185.42	11,443.54	11,615.63	11,873.75	12,906.25	15,057.29	15,487.50	15,917.71

Household/ Family Size	200%	225%	250%	275%	300%	325%	350%	375%	400%	500%	600%	700%
1	3,060.00	3,442.50	3,825.00	4,207.50	4,590.00	4,972.50	5,355.00	5,737.50	6,120.00	7,650.00	9,180.00	10,710.00
2	4,148.33	4,666.88	5,185.42	5,703.96	6,222.50	6,741.04	7,259.58	7,778.13	8,296.67	10,370.83	12,445.00	14,519.17
3	5,236.67	5,891.25	6,545.83	7,200.42	7,855.00	8,509.58	9,164.17	9,818.75	10,473.33	13,091.67	15,710.00	18,328.33
4	6,325.00	7,115.63	7,906.25	8,696.88	9,487.50	10,278.13	11,068.75	11,859.38	12,650.00	15,812.50	18,975.00	22,137.50
5	7,413.33	8,340.00	9,266.67	10,193.33	11,120.00	12,046.67	12,973.33	13,900.00	14,826.67	18,533.33	22,240.00	25,946.67
6	8,501.67	9,564.38	10,627.08	11,689.79	12,752.50	13,815.21	14,877.92	15,940.63	17,003.33	21,254.17	25,505.00	29,755.83
7	9,590.00	10,788.75	11,987.50	13,186.25	14,385.00	15,583.75	16,782.50	17,981.25	19,180.00	23,975.00	28,770.00	33,565.00
8	10,678.33	12,013.13	13,347.92	14,682.71	16,017.50	17,352.29	18,687.08	20,021.88	21,356.67	26,695.83	32,035.00	37,374.17
9	11,766.67	13,237.50	14,708.33	16,179.17	17,650.00	19,120.83	20,591.67	22,062.50	23,533.33	29,416.67	35,300.00	41,183.33
10	12,855.00	14,461.88	16,068.75	17,675.63	19,282.50	20,889.38	22,496.25	24,103.13	25,710.00	32,137.50	38,565.00	44,992.50
11	13,943.33	15,686.25	17,429.17	19,172.08	20,915.00	22,657.92	24,400.83	26,143.75	27,886.67	34,858.33	41,830.00	48,801.67
12	15,031.67	16,910.63	18,789.58	20,668.54	22,547.50	24,426.46	26,305.42	28,184.38	30,063.33	37,579.17	45,095.00	52,610.83
13	16,120.00	18,135.00	20,150.00	22,165.00	24,180.00	26,195.00	28,210.00	30,225.00	32,240.00	40,300.00	48,360.00	56,420.00
14	17,208.33	19,359.38	21,510.42	23,661.46	25,812.50	27,963.54	30,114.58	32,265.63	34,416.67	43,020.83	51,625.00	60,229.17

Note: Each individual program--e.g., SNAP, Medicaid--determines how to round various multiples of the poverty guidelines, what income is to be included, and how the eligibility unit is defined. For more information about the poverty guidelines visit: <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty>.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation.

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Visit [Historical Poverty Guidelines](#) for a complete set of poverty guidelines and web links to their *Federal Register* notices.

Visit [Spreadsheet Tool to Calculate Different Percentages of the Guidelines, 1983 to 2026](#).

NOTE: The poverty guideline figures below are NOT the figures the Census Bureau uses to calculate the number of poor persons.

The figures that the Census Bureau uses are the [poverty thresholds](#).

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Year	First Person	Each Additional Person	(Four-Person Family)	Page with Complete Details
2026	\$15,960	\$5,680	\$33,000	Federal Register 2026
2025	\$15,650	\$5,500	(\$32,150)	Federal Register 2025
2024	\$15,060	\$5,380	(\$31,200)	Federal Register 2024
2023	\$14,580	\$5,140	(\$30,000)	Federal Register 2023
2022	\$13,590	\$4,720	(\$27,750)	Federal Register 2022

Year	First Person	Each Additional Person	(Four-Person Family)	Page with Complete Details
2021	\$12,880	\$4,540	(\$26,500)	<u>Federal Register 2021</u>
2020	\$12,760	\$4,480	(\$26,200)	<u>Federal Register 2020</u>
2019	\$12,490	\$4,420	(\$25,750)	<u>Federal Register 2019</u>
2018	\$12,140	\$4,320	(\$25,100)	<u>Federal Register 2018</u>
2017	\$12,060	\$4,180	(\$24,600)	<u>Federal Register 2017</u>
2016	\$11,880	<u>Varies</u>	(\$24,300)	<u>Federal Register 2016</u>
2015	\$11,770	\$4,160	(\$24,250)	<u>Federal Register 2015</u>
2014	\$11,670	\$4,060	(\$23,850)	<u>Federal Register 2014</u>
2013	\$11,490	\$4,020	(\$23,550)	<u>Federal Register 2013</u>
2012	\$11,170	\$3,960	(\$23,050)	<u>Federal Register 2012</u>
2011	10,890	3,820	(22,350)	<u>Federal Register 2011</u>
2010	10,830	3,740	(22,050)	<u>Federal Register 2010 (Jan)</u> <u>Federal Register 2010 (Aug)</u>
2009	10,830	3,740	(22,050)	<u>Federal Register 2009</u>
2008	10,400	3,600	(21,200)	<u>Federal Register 2008</u>
2007	10,210	3,480	(20,650)	<u>Federal Register 2007</u>
2006	9,800	3,400	(20,000)	<u>Federal Register 2006</u>
2005	9,570	3,260	(19,350)	<u>Federal Register 2005</u>
2004	9,310	3,180	(18,850)	<u>Federal Register 2004</u>
2003	8,980	3,140	(18,400)	<u>Federal Register 2003</u>
2002	8,860	3,080	(18,100)	<u>Federal Register 2002</u>
2001	8,590	3,020	(17,650)	<u>Federal Register 2001</u>
2000	8,350	2,900	(17,050)	<u>Federal Register 2000</u>

Year	First Person	Each Additional Person	(Four-Person Family)	Page with Complete Details
1999	8,240	2,820	(16,700)	<u>Federal Register 1999</u>
1998	8,050	2,800	(16,450)	<u>Federal Register 1998</u>
1997	7,890	2,720	(16,050)	<u>Federal Register 1997</u>
1996	7,740	2,620	(15,600)	<u>Federal Register 1996</u>
1995	7,470	2,560	(15,150)	<u>Federal Register 1995</u>
1994	7,360	2,480	(14,800)	<u>Federal Register 1994</u>
1993	6,970	2,460	(14,350)	<u>Federal Register 1993</u>
1992	6,810	2,380	(13,950)	<u>Federal Register 1992</u>
1991	6,620	2,260	(13,400)	<u>Federal Register 1991</u>
1990	6,280	2,140	(12,700)	<u>Federal Register 1990</u>
1989	5,980	2,040	(12,100)	<u>Federal Register 1989</u>
1988	5,770	1,960	(11,650)	<u>Federal Register 1988</u>
1987	5,500	1,900	(11,200)	<u>Federal Register 1987</u>
1986	5,360	1,880	(11,000)	<u>Federal Register 1986</u>
1985	5,250	1,800	(10,650)	<u>Federal Register 1985</u>
1984	4,980	1,740	(10,200)	<u>Federal Register 1984</u>
1983	4,860	1,680	(9,900)	<u>Federal Register 1983</u>
1982 _*	4,680	1,540	(9,300)	<u>Federal Register 1982</u>
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January 2025	2025	\$15,650	\$21,150	\$26,650	\$32,150	\$37,650	\$43,150	\$48,650	\$54,150
January 2024	2024	\$15,060	\$20,440	\$25,820	\$31,200	\$36,580	\$41,960	\$47,340	\$52,720
January 2023	2023	\$14,580	\$19,720	\$24,860	\$30,000	\$35,140	\$40,280	\$45,420	\$50,560
January 2022	2022	\$13,590	\$18,310	\$23,030	\$27,750	\$32,470	\$37,190	\$41,910	\$46,630
February 2021	2021	\$12,880	\$17,420	\$21,960	\$26,500	\$31,040	\$35,580	\$40,120	\$44,660
January 2020	2020	\$12,760	\$17,240	\$21,720	\$26,200	\$30,680	\$35,160	\$39,640	\$44,120
January 2019	2019	\$12,490	\$16,910	\$21,330	\$25,750	\$30,170	\$34,590	\$39,010	\$43,430
January 2018	2018	\$12,140	\$16,460	\$20,780	\$25,100	\$29,420	\$33,740	\$38,060	\$42,380
January 2017	2017	\$12,060	\$16,240	\$20,420	\$24,600	\$28,780	\$32,960	\$37,140	\$41,320
January 2016	2016	\$11,880	\$16,020	\$20,160	\$24,300	\$28,440	\$32,580	\$36,730	\$40,890
January 2015	2015	\$11,770	\$15,930	\$20,090	\$24,250	\$28,410	\$32,570	\$36,730	\$40,890
January 2014	2014	\$11,670	\$15,730	\$19,790	\$23,850	\$27,910	\$31,970	\$36,030	\$40,090
January 2013	2013	\$11,490	\$15,510	\$19,530	\$23,550	\$27,570	\$31,590	\$35,610	\$39,630
January 2012	2012	\$11,170	\$15,130	\$19,090	\$23,050	\$27,010	\$30,970	\$34,930	\$38,890
January 2011	2011	\$10,890	\$14,710	\$18,530	\$22,350	\$26,170	\$29,990	\$33,810	\$37,630
January 2010	2010	\$10,830	\$14,570	\$18,310	\$22,050	\$25,790	\$29,530	\$33,270	\$37,010
January 2009	2009	\$10,830	\$14,570	\$18,310	\$22,050	\$25,790	\$29,530	\$33,270	\$37,010
January 2008	2008	\$10,400	\$14,000	\$17,600	\$21,200	\$24,800	\$28,400	\$32,000	\$35,600
January 2007	2007	\$10,210	\$13,690	\$17,170	\$20,650	\$24,130	\$27,610	\$31,090	\$34,570
January 2006	2006	\$9,800	\$13,200	\$16,600	\$20,000	\$23,400	\$26,800	\$30,200	\$33,600
February 2005	2005	\$9,570	\$12,830	\$16,090	\$19,350	\$22,610	\$25,870	\$29,130	\$32,390
February 2004	2004	\$9,310	\$12,490	\$15,670	\$18,850	\$22,030	\$25,210	\$28,390	\$31,570
February 2003	2003	\$8,980	\$12,120	\$15,260	\$18,400	\$21,540	\$24,680	\$27,820	\$30,960
February 2002	2002	\$8,860	\$11,940	\$15,020	\$18,100	\$21,180	\$24,260	\$27,340	\$30,420
February 2001	2001	\$8,590	\$11,610	\$14,630	\$17,650	\$20,670	\$23,690	\$26,710	\$29,730
February 2000	2000	\$8,350	\$11,250	\$14,150	\$17,050	\$19,950	\$22,850	\$25,750	\$28,650
March 1999	1999	\$8,240	\$11,060	\$13,880	\$16,700	\$19,520	\$22,340	\$25,160	\$27,980
February 1998	1998	\$8,050	\$10,850	\$13,650	\$16,450	\$19,250	\$22,050	\$24,850	\$27,650

March 1997	1997	\$7,890	\$10,610	\$13,330	\$16,050	\$18,770	\$21,490	\$24,210	\$26,930
March 1996	1996	\$7,740	\$10,360	\$12,980	\$15,600	\$18,220	\$20,840	\$23,460	\$26,080
February 1995	1995	\$7,470	\$10,030	\$12,590	\$15,150	\$17,710	\$20,270	\$22,830	\$25,390
February 1994	1994	\$7,360	\$9,840	\$12,320	\$14,800	\$17,280	\$19,760	\$22,240	\$24,720
February 1993	1993	\$6,970	\$9,430	\$11,890	\$14,350	\$16,810	\$19,270	\$21,730	\$24,190
February 1992	1992	\$6,810	\$9,190	\$11,570	\$13,950	\$16,330	\$18,710	\$21,090	\$23,470
February 1991	1991	\$6,620	\$8,880	\$11,140	\$13,400	\$15,660	\$17,920	\$20,180	\$22,440
February 1990	1990	\$6,280	\$8,420	\$10,560	\$12,700	\$14,840	\$16,980	\$19,120	\$21,260
February 1989	1989	\$5,980	\$8,020	\$10,060	\$12,100	\$14,140	\$16,180	\$18,220	\$20,260
February 1988	1988	\$5,770	\$7,730	\$9,690	\$11,650	\$13,610	\$15,570	\$17,530	\$19,490
February 1987	1987	\$5,500	\$7,400	\$9,300	\$11,200	\$13,100	\$15,000	\$16,900	\$18,800
February 1986	1986	\$5,360	\$7,240	\$9,120	\$11,000	\$12,880	\$14,760	\$16,640	\$18,520
March 1985	1985	\$5,250	\$7,050	\$8,850	\$10,650	\$12,450	\$14,250	\$16,050	\$17,850
February 1984	1984	\$4,980	\$6,720	\$8,460	\$10,200	\$11,940	\$13,680	\$15,420	\$17,160
February 1983	1983	\$4,860	\$6,540	\$8,220	\$9,900	\$11,580	\$13,260	\$14,940	\$16,620
April 1982	1982	\$4,680	\$6,220	\$7,760	\$9,300	\$10,840	\$12,380	\$13,920	\$15,460
March 1981	1981	\$4,310	\$5,690	\$7,070	\$8,450	\$9,830	\$11,210	\$12,590	\$13,970
April 1980	1980	\$3,790	\$5,010	\$6,230	\$7,450	\$8,670	\$9,890	\$11,110	\$12,330
May 1979	1979	\$3,400	\$4,500	\$5,600	\$6,700	\$7,800	\$8,900	\$10,000	\$11,100
April 1978	1978	\$3,140	\$4,160	\$5,180	\$6,200	\$7,220	\$8,240	\$9,260	\$10,280
April 1977	1977	\$2,970	\$3,930	\$4,890	\$5,850	\$6,810	\$7,770	\$8,730	\$9,690
April 1976	1976	\$2,800	\$3,700	\$4,600	\$5,500	\$6,400	\$7,300	\$8,200	\$9,100
March 1975	1975	\$2,590	\$3,410	\$4,230	\$5,050	\$5,870	\$6,690	\$7,510	\$8,330
May 1974	1974	\$2,330	\$3,070	\$3,810	\$4,550	\$5,290	\$6,030	\$6,770	\$7,510
March 1973	1973	\$2,200	\$2,900	\$3,600	\$4,300	\$5,000	\$5,700	\$6,400	\$7,100
October 1972	1972	\$2,100	\$2,725	\$3,450	\$4,200	\$4,925	\$5,550	\$6,200	\$6,850
January 1972	1971	\$2,000	\$2,600	\$3,300	\$4,000	\$4,700	\$5,300	\$5,900	\$6,500
December 1970	1970	\$1,900	\$2,500	\$3,100	\$3,800	\$4,400	\$5,000	\$5,600	\$6,200
December 1969	1969	\$1,800	\$2,400	\$3,000	\$3,600	\$4,200	\$4,800	\$5,400	\$6,000
September 1968	1968	\$1,600	\$2,100	\$2,600	\$3,300	\$3,900	\$4,400	\$4,900	\$5,400
August 1967	1967	\$1,600	\$2,000	\$2,500	\$3,200	\$3,800	\$4,200	\$4,700	\$5,300
December 1965	1965	\$1,540	\$1,990	\$2,440	\$3,130	\$3,685	\$4,135	\$4,635	\$5,135

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NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

INDIGENT HEALTHCARE HANDBOOK

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NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT

INDIGENT HEALTHCARE PROGRAM HANDBOOK

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I. HOUSEHOLD RESOURCE GUIDELINES

A. Definitions

For the purposes of the NCHD Indigent Healthcare Handbook:

1. **Resources** are defined as assets or possessions, both liquid and non-liquid. Examples include cash, bank accounts, stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, vehicles, boats, campers, buildings, land and mineral rights.
2. **Fair Market Value** is defined as the amount a resource would bring if sold on the current local market.
3. **Equity** is defined as the amount of money that would be available to the owner after the sale of a resource. The amount is determined by subtracting from the fair market value any money owed on the item and the costs normally associated with the sale and transfer of the item.
4. **Accessible resources** are defined as resources legally available to the household.
5. **Inaccessible resources** are defined as resources not legally available to the household.
6. **Personal possessions** are defined as furniture, appliances, jewelry, clothing, livestock, farm equipment and other items if the household uses them to meet personal needs essential for daily living.
7. **Countable resources** are defined as the equity value of any resource that is not specifically exempt.

B. Resource Limit

A household is not eligible for the Nueces Aid Program if the total countable household resources exceed \$5,571.37 on or after the first interview date or the process date for cases processed without an interview.

This amount will be subject to the percent (%) increase in the Federal Poverty Guidelines as calculated to prior year and adjusted annually thereafter on the first day of the month following publication in the Federal Register.

If a payment or benefit counts as income for a particular month, do not count it as a resource in the same month. If you prorate a payment as income over several months, do not count any portion of the payment as a resource during that time.

If the client combines this money with countable funds, such as a bank account, exempt the prorated amounts for the time you prorate it. 58

C. Types of Resources

Household resources are either countable or exempt. Listed below are resource types used to determine household eligibility. Each resource is designated as counted or exempt:

1. 401K Plan

Exempt

2. Alien Sponsor's Resources

Count for three years after the alien's entry into the United States, the resources of the alien's sponsor and sponsor's spouse if the sponsor and spouse are living together determine the sponsor's countable resources by applying the policies contained in this section; subtract **\$2,785.69** and consider the remainder as resources available to the household.

The subtracted amount will be subject to the percent (%) increase in the Federal Poverty Guidelines as calculated to the prior year and adjusted annually thereafter on the first day of the month following publication in the federal register.

3. Burial Plots

Exempt all burial plots as a countable resource.

4. Homestead

Exempt a household's homestead. A homestead is the household's usual residence and surrounding property that is not separated by property owned by others. Surrounding property that is separated by public rights of way such as roads is considered as part of the homestead.

Exempt a homestead temporarily unoccupied because of employment, training or future employment, illness casualty, or natural disaster if the household intends to return.

Do not exempt as a homestead any real property outside of Nueces County.

Households that do not currently own a home but own or are purchasing a lot on which they intend to build or are building a permanent home, receive an exemption for the lot and if partially completed, for the home.

Count money remaining from the sale of a home

5. Inaccessible Resources

Exempt inaccessible resources. Examples are irrevocable trust funds, property in probate, security deposits on rental property and utilities.

6. Income-Producing Property (except real property)

Exempt income producing property if it is essential to a household member's

employment or self-employment and annually produces income consistent with its fair market value, even if used only on a seasonal basis. Such property will continue to be exempt during temporary periods of unemployment if the client expects to return to work. Property essential to self-employment is not exempt if earnings result from an illegal activity.

7. Individual Retirement Accounts

Count Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA) as resources. If there is a penalty for early withdrawal, deduct the penalty and count the remaining amount.

8. Insurance Settlements

Count insurance settlements as resources. Deduct any amount earmarked and spent on the household's bills, for burial, medical or damaged/lost possessions. Count the remaining amount after deductions.

9. Jointly Owned Property

Exempt if the property is jointly owned by the household and other owners and the household proves that the property cannot be sold or divided without the other owners' consent and the other owners will not sell or divide the property.

10. Keogh Plans

Count Keogh Plans. If there is a penalty for early withdrawal, deduct the penalty amount and count the remainder. **Exempt** the Keogh Plan if there is a contractual withdrawal agreement with other people who are not household members and who share the same fund. This type of Keogh Plan is considered an inaccessible resource.

11. Lawsuit Settlement

Count lawsuit settlements, minus any amount earmarked and spent for the household's bills for burial, legal, medical or damaged/lost possessions.

12. Life Insurance

Exempt

13. Liquid Resources

Count liquid resources if readily negotiable. Examples: cash, checking, or saving accounts, saving certificates, stocks and bonds.

14. Lump-Sum Payments

Count. Countable as unearned income in the month received if the person receives or expects to receive it more than once a year. Lump-sum payments are exempt if only received once a year or less, unless specifically listed as income, and should

only be counted as resources. Exception: Contributions, gifts and prizes should be counted as unearned income in the month received, regardless of frequency of receipt.

Countable lump-sum payments include but are not limited to, retroactive lump-sum Retirement, Survivors and Disability Insurance (RSDI), public assistance, retirement benefits, lump-sum insurance settlements, lump-sum payments on child support, and other payments and refunds of security deposits on rental property or utilities. Exception: Federal tax refunds are permanently exempt as income and are excluded from resources for 12 months after receipt.

15. Personal Possessions

Exempt personal possessions. If personal possessions are sold, count the money received from the sale as a liquid resource.

16. Prepaid Burial Insurance

Exempt one of these policies per household member. Also exempt one prepaid funeral plan or prepaid funeral agreement for each household member.

17. Real property

Count equity value of real property unless otherwise exempt. Real property is land and any improvements on it.

18. Resources of Disqualified Persons

Exempt the resources of disqualified persons, such as resources of an AFDC or SSI recipient. **Exempt** all resources of a person who receives QMB, MQMB, SLMB, QI-1, or QI-2.

19. Retirement Accounts

Exempt Retirement accounts are those in which an employee and/or his employer contributes money intended to provide for retirement.

The amount in the retirement account is exempt until the money is withdrawn. If the money is withdrawn as a monthly check, count it as income. If the money is withdrawn as a lump sum, count it as a resource.

20. Trust Funds

Exempt

21. Vested Retirement Accounts

Exempt Vested retirement accounts are those to which an employee makes contributions for a specified period of time as defined by the employer. The money is not matched by the employer until that defined period of time ends. The money in this account is exempt.

22. Vehicles

Exempt one vehicle per household when it is used by the household for transportation regardless of value. **Exempt** all licensed vehicles if they are used more than 50% of the time for income-producing purposes or if they produce annual income consistent with their fair market value (even if only used on a seasonal basis). **Exempt** all vehicles with a fair market value of less than or equal to **\$8,635.62**, regardless of the number of vehicles owned by the household. The fair market value in excess of **\$8,635.62** of vehicles is counted as part of the household's available resources, except for the exemptions listed above.

The fair market exemption amount will be subject to the percent (%) increase in the Federal Poverty Guidelines as calculated to prior year and adjusted annually thereafter on the first day of the month following publication in the federal register.

The following are suggestions for determining the fair market value of a vehicle:

- Use the average trade-in or wholesale value listed in the National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA) Used Car Guide - current within the last six (6) months. Use the loan value of the vehicle only if other sources are unavailable.
- If the household thinks that the listed value is incorrect because of the vehicle's condition (body damage or inoperable), allow the household to provide verification from a reliable source (bank loan officer or licensed car dealer).
- Do not increase the value because of low mileage, optional equipment, or special equipment for handicapped.
- Request that the household prove the value of antique, custom-made, or classic vehicles if an accurate appraisal cannot be made by staff.
- Accept the household's estimated value of vehicles no longer listed in the NADA guides unless the value is questionable and would affect eligibility. In this case, have the household provided an appraisal from a licensed car dealer or some other evidence of the value such as a tax assessment or newspaper ad showing the sale price of similar vehicles.
- For new vehicles not yet listed in the NADA guide, ask the household to provide an estimate of the wholesale or trade-in value from a new car dealer or a bank loan officer.

D. Verification of Resources

Prior to approval for healthcare assistance, questionable resources will be verified.

E. Documentation of Resources

The Eligibility Worksheet will be used to verify and document household resources.

F. Property Transfer Guidelines

Households are ineligible if within the previous three months they have transferred a countable resource for less than its fair market value to qualify for healthcare assistance. This penalty applies only if the value of the transferred resource plus the household's other countable resources will affect eligibility. If spouses are separated, transfer of separate property by one spouse does not affect the eligibility of the other spouse. Households which have transferred resources within the previous three months for less than the fair market value in order to qualify for the Nueces Aid Program will be subject to the following delays in assistance:

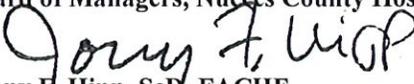
\$ 0.01	to	\$ 464.26	Delay of 1 Month
\$ 464.27	to	\$1,855.27	Delay of 3 Months
\$1,855.28	to	\$5,571.35	Delay of 6 Months
\$5,571.36	to	\$9,285.60	Delay of 9 Months
\$9,285.62		and above	Delay of 12 Months

The transferred resources in the table above will be subject to the percentage (%) increase in the Federal Poverty Guidelines as calculated to prior year and adjusted annually thereafter on the first day of the month following publication in the Federal Register.

**NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
INDIGENT HEALTHCARE PROGRAM
POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

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Date of Review: March 1, 2026

Authorized and Approved by:
Board of Managers, Nueces County Hospital District


Jonny F. Hipp, ScD, FACHE
Administrator/Board Secretary

Title: NUECES AID PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

Policy: NA002

I. POLICY

The Nueces County Hospital District is responsible for ensuring the provision of medically necessary healthcare services, in accordance with the state statute and as approved by the Board of Managers, to the needy and eligible residents of Nueces County. The District meets this responsibility through the administration of the Nueces Aid Program.

The Board of Managers for the Nueces County Hospital District has an ethical and statutory obligation to establish and maintain objective guidelines for use in determining an individual's eligibility for healthcare assistance through the Nueces Aid Program. To fulfill this obligation the Board of Managers will evaluate the eligibility guidelines annually and make recommendations for revision when indicated.

The Nueces County Hospital District will use the eligibility guidelines and related policies to complete an objective eligibility evaluation of all individuals applying for healthcare assistance. Three specific areas will be considered during the evaluation of the applicant's eligibility for healthcare assistance. The three areas are: residency in Nueces County, household resources and household size and income.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish written policies and guidelines which clearly and objectively state the means used to determine an applicant's eligibility for financial assistance through the Nueces Aid Program.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

The Quality Management Committee through the authority delegated by the Nueces County Hospital District Board of Managers, will provide direction and leadership in establishing and maintaining the guidelines used for determining eligibility for the Nueces Aid Program.

Nueces County Hospital District Board of Managers will consult with CHRISTUS Spohn Health System during review of the eligibility policy and guidelines recommended by the Quality Management Committee and either approve or disapprove the proposed guidelines.

IV. PROCEDURE

A. Qualifications for Financial Assistance

In accordance with the state statute, to receive healthcare assistance from the Nueces County Hospital District, an applicant must:

1. Provide evidence of residency in Nueces County;
2. Meet the household size and income guidelines; and
3. Meet the household resource guidelines;

Or

4. Be a Nueces County resident confined to a correctional facility operated by Nueces County and not the responsibility of another governmental service or agency.

B. Residency Policy and Guidelines

The Residency Policy and Guidelines are defined in **Attachment 1** to this policy.

C. Household Resource Policy and Guidelines

The Household Resource Policy and Guidelines are defined in **Attachment 2** to this policy.

D. Household Composition Policy and Guidelines

The Household Composition Policy and Guidelines are defined in **Attachment 3** to this policy.

E. Household Income Policy and Guidelines

The Household Income Policy and Guidelines are defined in **Attachment 4** to this policy.

**NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
 INDIGENT HEALTH CARE PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY
 INCOME GUIDELINES FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
 Approved Scale
 Effective March 1, 2026**

	2026 HHS POVERTY GUIDELINES										NCHD pays
	15,960	21,640	27,320	33,000	38,680	44,360	50,040	55,720	61,400	67,080	
	SIZE OF HOUSEHOLD										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1*	
M O N T H L Y G R O S S F A M I L Y I N C O M E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Add	100%
	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	474	
	1330	1803	2277	2750	3223	3697	4170	4643	5117		
	1331	1804	2278	2751	3224	3698	4171	4644	5118	Add	90%
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	1463	1984	2504	3025	3546	4066	4587	5108	5628		
	1464	1985	2505	3026	3547	4067	4588	5109	5629	Add	80%
to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	568		
1596	2164	2732	3300	3868	4436	5004	5572	6140			
1597	2165	2733	3301	3869	4437	5005	5573	6141	Add	70%	
to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	616		
1729	2344	2960	3575	4190	4806	5421	6036	6652			
1730	2345	2961	3576	4191	4807	5422	6037	6653	Add	60%	
to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	653		
1835	2489	3142	3795	4448	5101	5755	6408	7061			
1836	2490	3143	3796	4449	5102	5756	6409	7062	Add	50%	
to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	710		
1995	2705	3415	4125	4835	5545	6255	6965	7675			

GROSS FAMILY INCOME (monthly)

*Add the amounts shown in last column for each additional family member of household if size of household exceeds 9 members.

Revised 02/18/2026

Nueces County Hospital District
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types & Account Groups
 As of 02/28/2026
 (In Whole Numbers)

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Trust Fund	General Fixed Assets	General Long Term Debt	TOTAL
Assets						
Cash & Cash Equivalents	101,108,430	48,783,923	17,160	0	0	149,909,513
Investments	5,934,229	18,437,459	0	0	0	24,371,689
Accrued Interest	0	95,517	47	0	0	95,564
Taxes Receivable, Net of Allowance	4,548,339	0	0	0	0	4,548,339
Other Receivables	0	0	0	0	0	0
Due from Other Funds	16,090	0	0	0	0	16,090
Prepaid Expenditures	85,324	0	0	0	0	85,324
Restricted Cash & Cash Equivalents - LPPF	43,388,108	0	0	0	0	43,388,108
Fixed Assets	0	0	0	14,243,366	0	14,243,366
Amt to be Provided for Retirement of LT Debt	0	0	0	0	45,322	45,322
Total Assets	155,080,520	67,316,900	17,207	14,243,366	45,322	236,703,314
Liabilities						
Accounts Payable	6,176,668	0	0	0	0	6,176,668
Accrued Payroll & Related Liabilities	380,028	0	0	0	0	380,028
Intergovernmental Transfer Obligations	43,388,108	0	0	0	0	43,388,108
Due to Other Funds	0	9,184	6,906	0	0	16,090
Deferred Revenue	4,548,339	0	0	0	0	4,548,339
Long Term Paid Time Off	0	0	0	0	45,322	45,322
Total Liabilities	54,493,143	9,184	6,906	0	45,322	54,554,555
Fund Equity						
Fund Balance	90,372,485	0	10,301	14,243,366	0	104,626,152
Committed to:						
Intergovernmental Transfers	10,214,892	0	0	0	0	10,214,892
Indigent Care	0	64,319,786	0	0	0	64,319,786
Opioid Abatement	0	2,985,892	0	0	0	2,985,892
Assigned to:						
County Health Care	0	2,037	0	0	0	2,037
Total Fund Equity	100,587,377	67,307,715	10,301	14,243,366	0	182,148,759
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	155,080,520	67,316,900	17,207	14,243,366	45,322	236,703,314

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Nueces County Hospital District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - All Governmental and Trust Funds
General Fund
From 2/1/2026 Through 2/28/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

	<u>Current Period Actual</u>	<u>Current Year Actual</u>
Revenues		
Taxes	13,828,839	39,588,735
Penalties & Interest - Taxes	46,329	126,223
Spohn Corporate Member Revenue	7,374,027	42,873,634
Investment Income	284,723	1,558,105
Other Income	25	676
Total Revenues	<u>21,533,943</u>	<u>84,147,373</u>
Current Expenditures		
Intergovernmental Transfers	14,897,734	67,133,994
Emergency Residency Support	237,292	1,186,458
County Healthcare Funding	768,838	4,994,854
Salaries	123,956	657,584
Benefits	61,695	334,484
Legal & Professional Fees	64,276	237,018
Purchased Services	122,448	728,419
Supplies & Materials	1,378	5,637
Rent & Leases	11,732	58,594
Repairs & Maintenance	46	1,247
Utilities	4,611	23,258
Insurance	2,638	13,190
Administrative & General	4,676	31,906
Capital Outlay	0	8,400
Total Current Expenditures	<u>16,301,321</u>	<u>75,415,043</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Sources/Uses	<u>5,232,622</u>	<u>8,732,330</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures After Sources & Uses	<u>5,232,622</u>	<u>8,732,330</u>
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		91,855,047
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR		<u><u>100,587,377</u></u>

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Nueces County Hospital District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - All Governmental and Trust Funds
Special Revenue Fund
From 2/1/2026 Through 2/28/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

	<u>Current Period Actual</u>	<u>Current Year Actual</u>
Revenues		
Investment Income	<u>205,158</u>	<u>1,124,466</u>
Total Revenues	<u>205,158</u>	<u>1,124,466</u>
Current Expenditures		
Legal & Professional Fees	<u>2,762</u>	<u>6,467</u>
Total Current Expenditures	<u>2,762</u>	<u>6,467</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Sources/Uses	<u>202,396</u>	<u>1,117,999</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures After Sources & Uses	<u>202,396</u>	<u>1,117,999</u>
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		66,189,716
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR		<u><u>67,307,715</u></u>

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Nueces County Hospital District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - All Governmental and Trust Funds
Trust Fund
From 2/1/2026 Through 2/28/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

	<u>Current Period Actual</u>	<u>Current Year Actual</u>
Revenues		
Investment Income	47	263
Total Revenues	<u>47</u>	<u>263</u>
Current Expenditures		
Benefits	511	5,310
Administrative & General	7	38
Total Current Expenditures	<u>518</u>	<u>5,348</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Sources/Uses	<u>(471)</u>	<u>(5,084)</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures After Sources & Uses	<u>(471)</u>	<u>(5,084)</u>
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		15,386
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR		<u><u>10,301</u></u>

Nueces County Hospital District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Actual v. Budget
General Fund
From 2/1/2026 Through 2/28/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

UNAUDITED

	Current Period Actual	Current Period Budget	Current Period Budget Variance	Current Year Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Budget Variance
Revenues						
Taxes	13,828,839	9,440,389	4,388,450	39,588,735	38,695,053	893,682
Penalties & Interest - Taxes	46,329	25,669	20,660	126,223	164,543	(38,320)
Spohn Corporate Member Revenue	7,374,027	7,933,333	(559,306)	42,873,634	39,666,669	3,206,965
Investment Income	284,723	90,592	194,131	1,558,105	460,444	1,097,661
Other Income	25	0	25	676	0	676
Total Revenues	<u>21,533,943</u>	<u>17,489,983</u>	<u>4,043,960</u>	<u>84,147,373</u>	<u>78,986,709</u>	<u>5,160,664</u>
Current Expenditures						
Intergovernmental Transfers	14,897,734	8,416,407	(6,481,327)	67,133,994	76,348,036	9,214,042
Emergency Residency Support	237,292	237,292	0	1,186,458	1,186,460	2
County Healthcare Funding	768,838	1,174,596	405,758	4,994,854	6,284,733	1,289,879
Salaries	123,956	232,962	109,006	657,584	997,321	339,737
Benefits	61,695	97,652	35,957	334,484	481,952	147,468
Legal & Professional Fees	64,276	74,292	10,016	237,018	371,464	134,446
Purchased Services	122,448	140,928	18,480	728,419	787,323	58,904
Supplies & Materials	1,378	2,166	788	5,637	10,842	5,205
Rent & Leases	11,732	13,250	1,518	58,594	66,254	7,660
Repairs & Maintenance	46	1,167	1,121	1,247	5,839	4,592
Utilities	4,611	8,533	3,922	23,258	42,673	19,415
Insurance	2,638	4,042	1,404	13,190	20,214	7,024
Administrative & General	4,676	18,833	14,157	31,906	94,185	62,279
Capital Outlay	0	0	0	8,400	210,000	201,600
Extraordinary	0	417	417	0	2,085	2,085
Total Current Expenditures	<u>16,301,321</u>	<u>10,422,537</u>	<u>(5,878,784)</u>	<u>75,415,043</u>	<u>86,909,381</u>	<u>11,494,338</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Sources/Uses	<u>5,232,622</u>	<u>7,067,446</u>	<u>(1,834,824)</u>	<u>8,732,330</u>	<u>(7,922,672)</u>	<u>16,655,002</u>
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures After Sources & Uses	<u>5,232,622</u>	<u>7,067,446</u>	<u>(1,834,824)</u>	<u>8,732,330</u>	<u>(7,922,672)</u>	<u>16,655,002</u>
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year				91,855,047	0	91,855,047
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR				<u>100,587,377</u>	<u>(7,922,672)</u>	<u>108,510,049</u>

Nueces County Hospital District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Actual v. Budget
Tobacco Settlement Fund
From 2/1/2026 Through 2/28/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

UNAUDITED

	Current Period Actual	Current Period Budget	Current Period Budget Variance	Current Year Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Budget Variance
Revenues						
Investment Income	6	0	6	32	0	32
Total Revenues	6	0	6	32	0	32
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Sources/Uses	6	0	6	32	0	32
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures After Sources & Uses	6	0	6	32	0	32
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year				2,005	0	2,005
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR				2,037	0	2,037

Nueces County Hospital District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Actual v. Budget
Opioid Settlement Fund
From 2/1/2026 Through 2/28/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

UNAUDITED

	Current Period Actual	Current Period Budget	Current Period Budget Variance	Current Year Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Budget Variance
Revenues						
Investment Income	8,407	3,045	5,362	47,379	16,435	30,944
Total Revenues	8,407	3,045	-5,362	47,379	16,435	30,944
Current Expenditures						
Purchased Services	0	100,000	100,000	0	500,000	500,000
Total Current Expenditures	0	100,000	100,000	0	500,000	500,000
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Sources/Uses	8,407	(96,955)	105,362	47,379	(483,565)	530,944
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures After Sources & Uses	8,407	(96,955)	105,362	47,379	(483,565)	530,944
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year				2,938,513	0	2,938,513
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR				2,985,892	(483,565)	3,469,457

Nueces County Hospital District
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures - Actual v. Budget
Indigent Care Fund
From 2/1/2026 Through 2/28/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

UNAUDITED

	Current Period Actual	Current Period Budget	Current Period Budget Variance	Current Year Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Budget Variance
Revenues						
Investment Income	196,746	78,467	118,279	1,077,054	391,391	685,663
Total Revenues	196,746	78,467	118,279	1,077,054	391,391	685,663
Current Expenditures						
Legal & Professional Fees	2,762	3,000	238	6,467	15,000	8,533
Total Current Expenditures	2,762	3,000	238	6,467	15,000	8,533
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures Before Sources/Uses	193,984	75,467	118,517	1,070,588	376,391	694,197
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures After Sources & Uses	193,984	75,467	118,517	1,070,588	376,391	694,197
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year				63,249,198	0	63,249,198
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR				64,319,786	376,391	63,943,395

NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
90th Texas Legislative Session Agenda
February 24, 2026

Summary

The Nueces County Hospital District supports targeted legislative action to strengthen medical education, expand healthcare workforce capacity, and improve access to behavioral health services in South Texas.

Countywide Benefits

- Increased physician retention.
 - Improved behavioral health access.
 - Complemented medical infrastructure.
 - Strengthened medical education pipelines.
 - Enhanced healthcare resilience.
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I. Graduate Medical Education (GME)

Support increased investment in GME to expand physician training and retention.

- Increase Medicaid GME supplemental payments
- Fund existing and new residency slots
- Incentivize expansion of training slots
- Support teaching hospitals
- Expand funding through General Revenue and budget riders

Data Point:

Nueces County faces persistent physician shortages in primary care and specialty fields, limiting access to care.

Impact on Nueces County:

- Expanded local residency and fellowship opportunities.
 - Improved long-term physician retention.
 - Reduced reliance on temporary providers.
 - Enhanced capacity at local teaching hospitals.
 - Greater continuity of care.
 - Stabilized medical workforce pipeline.
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II. Medical Workforce Development

Authorize NCHD to address shortages in essential specialties.

- Allow local designation based on community health needs assessments
- Financial incentives: loan repayment, housing support, income guarantees

- Professional protections: malpractice limits and liability protections
- Recruitment supports: relocation and startup assistance
- Require minimum service commitments

Data Point:

Several high-need specialties remain underrepresented in coastal South Texas.

Impact on Nueces County:

- Improved recruitment in shortage specialties.
 - Increased access to essential services.
 - Greater competitiveness for healthcare talent.
 - Reduced patient outmigration.
 - Strengthened provider networks.
 - Enhanced sustainability of service lines.
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III. Regional Behavioral Health Infrastructure

Expand access to mental health services.

- Establish state-supported regional facilities
- Serve adults, children, and justice-involved populations
- Partner with LMHAs and community providers
- Integrate inpatient, crisis, and outpatient services

Data Point:

Behavioral health wait times in South Texas frequently exceed recommended standards.

Impact on Nueces County:

- Expanded access to behavioral health services.
- Reduced emergency department boarding.
- Shorter wait times for treatment.
- Improved system coordination.
- Better outcomes for high-risk populations.
- Reduced strain on hospitals and first responders.

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Study of Physician and Mental Health Workforce Shortages in Rural Areas and Regional Population Centers of Texas, with Emphasis on the Coastal Bend and South Texas

Background

Texas continues to experience persistent and worsening shortages of physicians in **rural areas and regional population centers**, particularly in **the Coastal Bend and South Texas**, where large geographic catchment areas depend on a limited number of safety-net hospitals, regional health systems, and publicly supported facilities. These shortages affect access to primary care, specialty services, behavioral health, obstetrical care, and emergency services, with significant implications for population health, hospital sustainability, Medicaid access, workforce participation, and regional economic development.

In addition, **the Coastal Bend and South Texas face limited access to state-supported inpatient and outpatient mental health facilities**, resulting in prolonged emergency department boarding, increased pressure on county jails, law-enforcement involvement in behavioral health crises, and delayed or foregone treatment for individuals with serious mental illness. The Legislature should examine whether current state mental-health infrastructure, facility placement, and workforce capacity adequately serve regions with large rural catchment areas and growing behavioral-health needs.

During the interim, the Legislature should examine the scope, causes, and potential solutions to physician and mental-health workforce shortages outside of major metropolitan areas, with focused attention on regions that serve extensive rural populations.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Committee on Public Health

Interim Charge 1: Physician Workforce Distribution

Study the current supply, geographic distribution, and specialty mix of physicians practicing in **rural areas and regional population centers**, including those located in **the Coastal Bend and South Texas**. Analyze Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) designations, trends over the

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past decade, and projected workforce needs based on population growth, aging, physician retirement, and changing patterns of health-care delivery in these regions.

Interim Charge 2: Graduate Medical Education Expansion in Rural-Serving Regions

Examine opportunities to expand state-supported graduate medical education, including funding for additional primary care and high-need specialty residency positions at safety-net hospitals and teaching facilities that serve **the Coastal Bend, South Texas, and surrounding rural areas**. Review existing federal and state funding mechanisms and statutory authority under the Texas Health and Safety Code and Texas Government Code. Assess the workforce return on investment associated with placing residency programs in regional population centers that function as hubs for large rural catchment areas.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Committee on Higher Education

Interim Charge 3: Medical School Placement and Regional Training Capacity

Evaluate the feasibility and potential impact of establishing one or more new medical schools, branch campuses, or longitudinal clinical training hubs focused on primary care and high-need specialty physician training in **regional population centers serving the Coastal Bend and South Texas**. Assess coordination, approval, and oversight authority under the Texas Education Code, including the role of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, and evaluate anticipated workforce outcomes, start-up and operating costs, and implementation timelines for these regions.

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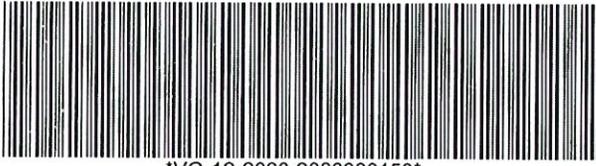
Committee on Health and Human Services

Interim Charge 4: Licensure, Access, and Care Delivery in Rural-Serving Regions

Review physician licensure requirements, alternative entry-to-practice pathways, and telemedicine policies affecting physician supply and patient access in **rural areas and regional population centers**, with particular emphasis on **the Coastal Bend and South Texas**. Evaluate regulatory barriers and opportunities related to licensure, supervision, telehealth, and reimbursement under the Texas Occupations Code, Texas Government Code, and Texas Health and Safety Code.

Interim Charge 5: State-Supported Mental Health Facility Capacity

Study the availability, geographic distribution, and capacity of **state-supported mental health facilities**, including state hospitals and community-based inpatient and outpatient services, serving **the Coastal Bend and South Texas**. Evaluate whether current facility placement, bed capacity, and staffing levels adequately meet regional demand, particularly for individuals experiencing acute psychiatric crises. Examine the impacts of limited state-supported capacity on emergency departments, county jails, law enforcement, and local health systems, and identify potential options to expand or realign mental-health infrastructure in rural-serving regions.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

BOARD OF MANAGERS

Board of Managers - Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 31, 2026 at 12:00 PM

Location:

Board of Managers Meeting Room, 555 N. Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401

The Nueces County Hospital District ("NCHD") Board of Managers or a Committee thereof as specified above will hold a meeting on the date and at the time and location shown above. The agenda item(s) for the meeting are set forth on the accompanying page(s). Agenda item(s) are not necessarily considered in the order listed.

The specified NCHD Board of Managers meeting will be held in-person and via videoconference call. Public participation will be available in-person as well as via videoconference call as allowed under the Texas Open Meetings Act ("Act"). It is the intent that a quorum of the Board of Managers or Committee as required for the specified meeting will be physically present at the meeting location posted in this meeting notice. It is also the intent that the Board member presiding over the meeting be physically present for the specified meeting at the meeting location posted in this meeting notice. Any member of the Board of Managers participating by videoconference call will be visible and audible to the public whenever the member is speaking; Board member participation by audio-only is not permitted. Any member of the public wishing to observe or participate in the meeting via videoconference call may do so through the videoconference call meeting Internet link shown on this meeting notice below and via NCHD's BoardBook meeting management system at <https://meetings.boardbook.org/Public/Organization/1886>.

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The agenda for this meeting and its supporting materials are available at: <https://meetings.boardbook.org/Public/Organization/1886>.

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BOARD OF MANAGERS
Board of Managers - Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 31, 2026 at 12:00 PM

AGENDA

1. WELCOME

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

- ___ Vishnu V. Reddy, Chairman
- ___ Sylvia Tryon Oliver, Vice Chair
- ___ Mariana Garza
- ___ Georgia Neblett, Legislative Committee Chair
- ___ Karen O'Connor Urban
- ___ Pamela Brower, Finance Committee Chair
- ___ Sunil Reddy

3. CALL TO ORDER, CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM, VERIFICATION OF MEETING POSTING, AND CLOSED MEETING NOTICE:

A. Call to order.

B. Establish quorum.

C. Confirm posting of the meeting's public notice in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

D. Notice is hereby provided that the Board of Managers may convene in closed meeting session(s) during this meeting to consider any agenda item, when permitted under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

4. NOTICE REGARDING BUDGET. The Hospital District's Fiscal Year 2026 budget has been duly adopted by the Board and approved by Commissioners Court. At this meeting, the Board may discuss the budget. The budget and the required taxpayer impact statement for Fiscal Year 2026 are available for public review on the District's official website at: https://www.nchdcc.org/public_notices/finance.php.

5. **ANNOUNCEMENT ON DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.** Any Conflicts of Interest or Appearance of a Conflict of Interest with items on this agenda shall be declared at this time. Members with conflicts will refrain from voting and are asked to refrain from discussion on such items. Conflicts discovered later in the meeting shall be disclosed at that time.

6. **REGULAR SESSION**

A. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within its jurisdiction. In-person attendees must sign the “Agenda Item Request to Speak” form at least five (5) minutes before the meeting begins. Remote attendees must notify the presiding officer when called upon. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes (six [6] minutes with translator). The presiding officer may further limit the number of speakers or time allowed. The Board may act only on items listed on the agenda. Materials submitted will not be returned; at least ten (10) copies, labeled with the commenter’s name and agenda item number, must be provided for distribution.

B. **CONSENT AGENDA** - The Consent Agenda consists of those agenda items which are routine, administrative in nature, not in need of separate attention, and which a member of the Board has not requested be discussed separately. If requested to be discussed separately, that agenda item will be removed from the Consent Agenda by the presiding officer to the Regular Agenda and discussed as a part of the Regular Agenda at the appropriate time. All remaining items listed under the Consent Agenda will be voted upon in a single vote:

1. Approve Board of Managers Regular Meeting minutes of February 24, 2026.
2. Receive summary payment information on Nueces County health care disbursements for Fiscal Year 2026 year-to-date:
 - a. Salaries, benefits, and supplies at/for the City of Corpus Christi/Nueces County Public Health District;
 - b. Emergency medical services provided in unincorporated areas of Nueces County;
 - c. Supplemental and jail diversion program funding for Nueces Center for Mental Health and Intellectual Disabilities;
 - d. Medical services provided at County correctional facilities:
 1. Nueces County Jail; and
 2. Nueces County Juvenile Detention Center;

- e. Funding for alcohol and drug abuse treatment programs:
 - 1. Cenikor (Charlie's Place); and
 - 2. Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse;
- f. Funding for diabetes prevention and supporting programs; and
- g. Public health grants. (*Finance Committee*)

3. Receive summary of imputed claims information for medical and hospital services provided to the Nueces Aid Program population, consistent with the CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation Amended and Restated Membership Agreement for Fiscal Year 2026 year to date. (*Finance Committee*)

4. Receive Fiscal Year 2026 year-to-date Specified Annual Percentage-related revenue reports; revenue receipts pursuant to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation Amended and Restated Membership Agreement, Section 5.03. (*Finance Committee*)

5. Receive statement of Fiscal Year 2026 year-to-date deposits to and withdrawals from the Local Provider Participation Fund, made pursuant to the Board of Managers Order authorizing participation in a health care provider participation program under Texas Health and Safety Code, Chapter 298C, as amended. (*Finance Committee*)

6. Receive summary report of cumulative actual intergovernmental transfers (IGTs) made in support of local and other healthcare providers participating in Medicaid directed and supplemental payment programs sponsored by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), and receive estimates of provider payments resulting from the IGTs:

- a. Directed Payment Programs - IGTs to HHSC for Medicaid managed care payments to providers that promote Medicaid program goals and objectives:
 - 1. Aligning Technology by Linking Interoperable Systems for Client Health Outcomes Program (ATLIS);
 - 2. Comprehensive Hospital Increase Reimbursement Program (CHIRP);
 - 3. Network Access Improvement Program (NAIP); and
 - 4. Texas Incentives for Physicians and Professional Services (TIPPS); and

- b. Supplemental Payment Programs - IGTs to HHSC for Medicaid payments to hospitals, made separately from and in addition to base payments, to incentivize achievement of specified goals or to support providers serving significant numbers of uninsured or low-income patients:
 - 1. Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH);

2. Graduate Medical Education (GME);
3. Hospital Augmented Reimbursement Program (HARP); and
4. Hospital Uncompensated Care (UC). (*Finance Committee*)

7. Receive reports relating to Nueces Aid Program enrollment for the month-ended February 28, 2026:

- a. Total Persons and Households Enrolled;
- b. Enrollment Summary;
- c. Denials;
- d. Application Processing Summary; and
- e. Enrollment by Zip Code. (*Finance Committee*)

8. Receive information relating to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Poverty Guidelines:

- a. Annual update of the HHS Poverty Guidelines from Federal Register, Vol. 91, No. 10, January 15, 2026 pp. 1797-1798; and
- b. Prior HHS Poverty Guidelines and Federal Register References, 1982–2026. (**INFORMATION**)

9. Receive notice of annual increase adjustments of Nueces Aid Program's Eligibility Guidelines; adjustments effective March 1, 2026 for:

- a. Household Resources as required by Program's Handbook Policy No. NA002, Attachment 2, Sections I-B, I-C-1, I-C-23, and I-F; and
- b. Household Income as required by Program's Handbook Policy No. NA002, Attachment 4, Section I-F-3. (**INFORMATION**)

C. REGULAR AGENDA -Items that are non-routine, non-administrative, or require individual attention. Each item will be considered and, if action is needed, voted on separately:

1. Finance Committee:

a. Financial Statements:

1. Receive and approve unaudited financial statements for month and fiscal year-to-date February 28, 2026. (**ACTION**)

2. Legislative Committee:

- a. Receive and discuss reports from Legislative Consultants. (**INFORMATION**)

b. Discuss and consider amending the 90th Texas Legislative Session Agenda. (*ACTION*)

3. **Administrator's Briefing:**

a. Next scheduled regular meetings of the Board of Managers and Board Committees (all meeting dates, times, and locations are subject to change):

1. Legislative Committee: April 28, 2026, 11:00 AM in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401; and

2. Finance Committee: April 28, 2026, 11:30 AM in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401;

3. Board of Managers: April 28, 2026, 12:00 PM in NCHD Board of Managers Meeting Room at 555 North Carancahua Street, Room 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401. (*INFORMATION*)

7. **CLOSED MEETING** – The Board of Managers may convene in closed session at any time during this meeting to deliberate any agenda item, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. The Board reserves the right to discuss any agenda item in executive session when legally permitted, regardless of whether the item is customarily considered in open session. The presiding officer will announce the applicable statutory authority under the Act prior to each closed session. Any final action, decision, or vote will be taken in open session, either upon reconvening or at a subsequent public meeting, as required by law. The Board anticipates entering closed session on the matters identified below pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, as applicable.

A. Consult with attorneys regarding CPS Energy's proposed tax-exemption settlement agreements related to the Barney Davis and Nueces Bay Power Plants and related matters.

B. Consult with attorneys on legal issues regarding the Corpus Christi Housing Authority's workforce housing contracts, tax exemptions, potential open meetings violations and related matters.

C. Consult with attorneys on matters related to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation Amended and Restated Membership Agreement and related matters.

D. Consult with attorneys on matters related to indigent health care and related matters.

E. Consult with attorneys on matters relating to uses of funds and related matters.

F. Consult with attorneys on legal matters relating to medical education and related matters.

G. Consult with attorneys on matters relating to support of medical education and related matters.

8. **OPEN MEETING** - The Board will reconvene in open session following the Closed Meeting before taking action on Closed Meeting matters or adjourning.

A. Discuss and consider taking final action, decision, or vote on matters deliberated in Closed Meeting. (***ACTION AS NEEDED***)

9. **ADJOURN**

10. Public Notice Posting Receipt