

## Public Safety

- **Alamo Area Regional Law Enforcement Academy** – Provides basic, intermediate, advanced, and master certification courses for new and current peace officers, corrections officers, and telecommunications personnel representing law enforcement agencies throughout Texas. Contact the Academy at (210) 362-5291.
- **Criminal Justice** – Facilitates planning, implementation, assessment of regional criminal justice initiatives and coordinates grants through the Office of the Governor – Criminal Justice Division. Contact Criminal Justice at (210) 362-5250.
- **Homeland Security/911** – Homeland Security facilitates the planning and disbursement of Homeland Security grant program funds in the region, and provides emergency management training for first responders and elected officials. AACOG also administers the 9-1-1 Program for seven regional counties including 9-1-1 network testing/certifications, emergency dispatch call processing, and mapped Automatic Location Identification, utilizing a Geographic Information Systems based on guidelines from the Commission on State Emergency Communications. Contact Homeland Security/9-1-1 at 210-362-5296 or hls@aacog.com.

## Regional Data Center

The Regional Data Center is a technical and planning service bureau that provides city and regional planning expertise and geographic information systems support to the AACOG Region.

## Workforce

AACOG's Alamo Area Development Corporation operates four full-service career centers in Kerrville, New Braunfels, Pleasanton, and Seguin, and seven smaller satellite offices in Bandera, Boerne, Floresville, Fredericksburg, Hondo, Kenedy, and Pearsall. These centers provide workforce services for employers and jobseekers, and also child care subsidies for program-eligible parents in the 11 rural counties of the AACOG Region. To find a career center near you, call 1-800-310-6117 or visit [www.workforcesolutionsalamo.org](http://www.workforcesolutionsalamo.org). For information on child care services, call 1-800-204-7905.



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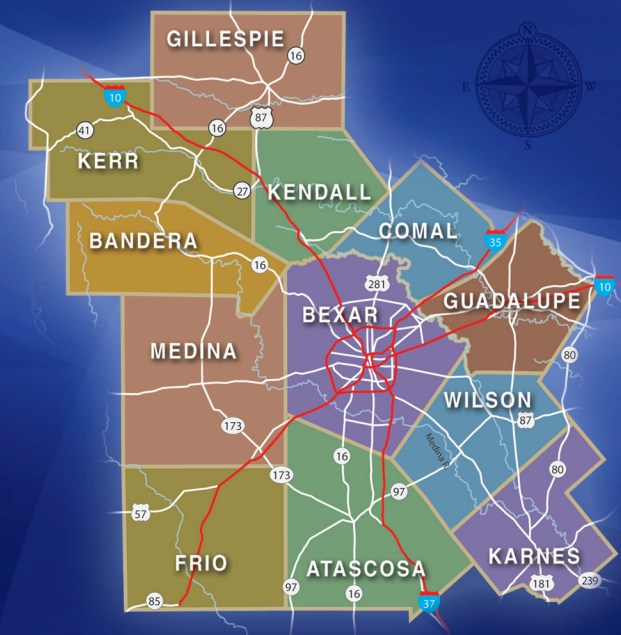
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TDD users can communicate with AACOG by dialing Relay Texas at 800-456-5094.

TTY users should dial Relay Texas at 800-735-2989.

AACOG does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, religion, disability, or age in its programs and activities. Inquiries regarding our non-discrimination policies or discrimination complaints should be referred to the Human Resources Manager, 8700 Tesoro Drive, Suite 700, San Antonio, TX 78217-6228 or (210) 362-5200.

## Meeting Regional Challenges



## and Creating Regional Strengths



# About AACOG



Established in 1967, AACOG is a voluntary association of local governments and organizations that serves its members through planning, information, and coordination activities.

The 12 counties that comprise the Alamo Area planning region are Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Medina, and Wilson.



AACOG provides direct technical assistance to member governments in planning functions, preparation of applications, and administration of programs. Support is provided

through local dues, state appropriations, state and federal grants matched by local monies, and other funds.

AACOG's Board of Director meets once a month, usually on the fourth Wednesday. Program advisory and community committees meet on a monthly or bi-monthly basis. All meetings are open to the public and accessible to people with disabilities.



## Alamo and Bexar Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs)

As two of 28 AAAs in Texas, Alamo and Bexar Aging coordinate, plan, and administer comprehensive services authorized by the Older Americans Act and the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) for residents in the region who are:

- 60 years of age and over,
- People caring for individuals age 60 and over,
- Grandparents and other kin over 55 who are caring for children 18 and younger, and
- Medicare Beneficiaries of any age.

Contact Bexar Aging at (210) 477-3275 or [info@askasc.org](mailto:info@askasc.org). Contact Alamo Aging at 1-866-231-4922 or [alamo.aging@aacog.com](mailto:alamo.aging@aacog.com).

## Alamo Local Authority (ALA) for Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

The Alamo Local Authority is DADS' designated authority for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Bexar County. The ALA is responsible for local planning, policy development, screening and eligibility, coordination of services, resource allocation, and oversight of services. Contact the ALA at (210) 832-5020 or [ala@aacog.com](mailto:ala@aacog.com) or visit [www.aacog.com/ala](http://www.aacog.com/ala).

## Alamo Regional Transit (ART)

Alamo Regional Transit (ART) provides public transportation to all residents in the rural counties of the AACOG Region. There are no qualification requirements, anyone may ride. Requested trips may be for medical appointments, shopping, school, work, after school programs for children, adult day care centers, senior centers, or any other reason. ART vehicles are wheelchair accessible. Call toll-free at 1-866-889-7433 to schedule a ride or visit [www.aacog.com/art](http://www.aacog.com/art).

## Regional Services

- **Economic and Community Development** – provides technical assistance, research, and data to cities, counties, and the private sector in developing infrastructure, community facilities, and park projects.
- **Leadership Development** – provides training to public officials in the duties and responsibilities of elected officials, and training for Planning and Zoning officials. Contact Regional Services at (210) 362-5212.
- **Resource Recovery** - provides for recovery of material resources by emphasizing reuse, waste reduction, and recycling. Improves the recovery of landscape resources by halting illegal dumping. Assists local governments with grants for implementing recycling programs. Contact Resource Recovery at (210) 362-5287.
- **Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP)** – provides a whole house energy assessment and installation of customized weatherization and energy efficiency measures. Financial and structural eligibility requirements apply. For more information visit [www.aacog.com/wap](http://www.aacog.com/wap) or call toll-free (800) 749-2010.

## Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program

The Housing Choice Voucher Program provides rental assistance in the rural counties of the AACOG Region. Contact the HCV Program at (210) 362-5284.

## Natural Resources

AACOG Natural Resources provides technical analysis, advocacy, education, and outreach for the best practices in air quality and resource management. The program assists local officials as they manage a comprehensive planning process that guides our region's actions to high quality in air standards. Contact Natural Resources at (210) 362-5225 or visit [www.aacog.com/airquality](http://www.aacog.com/airquality).