



COASTAL BEND
COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

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TRANSPORTATION

IN THE COASTAL BEND



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HOT TOPICS:

- ☑ **Regional Planning.** CBCOG is applying for the Transportation Planning Grant. This grant aims to support projects that enhance the multimodal transportation system, improve safety, and promote sustainable development.
- ☑ **In February 2025,** CBCOG attended a Planning Workshop hosted by TXDOT. The workshop identified various best practices and grant opportunities to improve services to the Coastal Bend.
- ☑ **The Transportation Collaboration** membership consists of leaders from Corpus Christi MPO, Corpus Christi RTA, Area Agency on Aging, Kleberg County Paisano Transport, REAL, Inc and Coastal Bend Center for Independent Living.
- ☑ **Rural area transportation providers** receive funding from the US Federal Transportation Administration (FTA) through the Texas Dept of Transportation (TxDOT)*.

The Right Strategy for Improved Transportation

The Coastal Bend area offers a variety of transportation options to meet the needs of its residents. The Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA) provides public bus services throughout Corpus Christi and surrounding areas, including fixed routes, and paratransit services for individuals with disabilities.

For seniors and individuals with disabilities, the Mobility Options Program (MOP), managed by the Coastal Bend Center for Independent Living (CBCIL), offers affordable and accessible transportation for medical appointments, errands, and social visits throughout the 11 Counties of the Coastal Bend.

In rural areas, the Area Agency on Aging of the Coastal Bend delivers transportation services for elderly and individuals with disabilities through unit-rate contracts in counties like Kleberg, Aransas, and Live Oak. These services ensure that residents in less urbanized regions have access to essential transportation.

REAL, Inc. provides essential public transportation services in the Coastal Bend, covering counties like Aransas, Bee, and Jim Wells. They offer accessible and affordable rides for the general public, seniors, and individuals with disabilities. Paisano Transport focuses on providing reliable and efficient transportation solutions in Kleberg and Kenedy Counties.

Overall, the Coastal Bend area offers diverse transportation options to cater to the varied needs of its community members.



Newsletter



Policy Changes from the U.S. Department of Transportation

On January 29, 2025, the newly confirmed U.S. Department of Transportation

Secretary, Sean Duffy, announced significant policy shifts. These changes aim to implement several executive orders from the Trump Administration, potentially affecting transportation funding and infrastructure projects in the Coastal Bend. CBCOG is working with TxDOT to keep the community informed of any changes

CBCOG Initiatives

The Coastal Bend Council of Governments (CBCOG) has been actively involved in regional transportation planning. In their January 23, 2025 meeting, they discussed various resolutions, including applications for funding under the State Crisis Intervention Grant Program and the Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy Grant Program



From the RCT Collaborative

The Coastal Bend Transportation Collaborative held a planning workshop to pre-plan for the upcoming Regional Transportation Plan. The Collaboration identified several potential projects, partners and areas for synergy to improve public transportation throughout the Coastal Bend.

