

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



AGENDA MEETING OF THE LRGVDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS LRGVDC Main Campus, 301 W. Railroad Street, Building B Weslaco, TX 78596

Wednesday, September 25 2019

12:00 Noon

Ken Jones Executive Board Room

Presiding: Mayor David Suarez

(The complete meeting packet will be available will be available at <http://www.lrgvdc.org/meetings.html> on September 19, 2019)

Item #1: Call to Order

A. Roll Call

B. Invocation

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Item #2: Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Meeting Minutes (August 28, 2019)

Item #3: Public Comment and/or Report from Legislative Delegation

Item #4: Administration

A. Executive Director Report.....Ron Garza

ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

LRGVDC Updates & Activities

1. Introduction of New Staff Members
2. Community Loan Center Partnership
3. Census 2020
4. Disaster Mitigation Forum (Sept. 26th)
5. Explore RGV (Regional Marketing, Featured Cities & Birding Guide)

Item #5: Department Reports

A. Community & Economic Development

Program Action Items: Blanca Davila, Assistant Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Solid Waste Management Resolution

Program Status Reports:

- Regional Small Cities Coalition
- Explore RGV
- Census 2020
- HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program
- Solid Waste Management Program
- Water Quality Program
- Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee
- Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (Region M)
- Reservoir Levels

B. Health & Human Services

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Direct Purchase Service Contractors

Program Status Reports: Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

- Opioid Misuse Prevention for Older Texans Funding
- State General Revenue regarding Home-Delivered Meals

C. Public Safety

Program Status Reports: Manuel Cruz, Director

- 911/Emergency Communications
- Criminal Justice
- Homeland Security
- Regional Police Academy

D. Transportation

Program Action Items:

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Purchase IT Software

Program Status Reports: Tom Logan, Director
Andrew Canon, Director

- Valley Metro
- Hidalgo County MPO
- Rio Grande Valley MPO

Item #6: Executive Session

- A. Deliberation Regarding Real Property (LRGVDC Program Staff Offices) *in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Section 551.072, the Board reserves the right to retire into executive session for deliberation regarding real property.*
- B. Reconvene into Open Session to Consider **ACTION**, if any, on Items Related to Executive Session as Described above.

Item #7: New or Unfinished Business

Item #8: Adjourn

REMINDER

Next Meeting Date:
Wednesday, October 30, 2019

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated and/or acted upon in a different order than numbered above.

The Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive (Closed) session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the items listed on this agenda as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapters 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, and 551.075, Texas Government Code. No final action will be taken in Executive Session.

PUBLIC INPUT POLICY:

"At the beginning of each LRGVDC meeting, the LRGVDC will allow for an open public forum/comment period. This comment period shall not exceed one-half (1/2) hour in length and each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak. All individuals desiring to address the LRGVDC must be signed up to do so prior to the open comment period. The purpose of this comment period is to provide the public an opportunity to address issues or topics that are under the jurisdiction of the LRGVDC. For issues or topics which are not otherwise part of the posted agenda for the meeting, LRGVDC members may direct staff to investigate the issue or topic further. No action or discussion shall be taken on issues or topics which are not part of the posted agenda for the meeting. Members of the public may be recognized on posted agenda items deemed appropriate by the Chair as these items are considered, and the same 3-minute time limitation applies."

ITEM #2.

MINUTES

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MEETING OF THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2019 – 12:00 PM
LRGVDC MAIN CAMPUS - 301 W. RAILROAD ST., WESLACO, TEXAS
BUILDING B, KEN JONES EXECUTIVE BOARD ROOM

PRESIDING: MAYOR DAVID SUAREZ, PRESIDENT

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President David Suarez called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared.

He then moved to item 2: Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes (June 26, 2019 Board Meeting). ***The Hon. Norma G. Garcia made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Veronica Whitacre seconded, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

President Suarez then moved to item 3: Public Comment and/or Report from Legislative Delegation and recognized Senator Eddie Lucio, Jr. Senator Lucio briefed the board on activities from the 86th Legislative Session and how they will benefit the Valley. Upon conclusion of his legislative update, Senator Lucio recognized the Hon. Norma G. Garcia, much to her surprise, for her record number of five (5) terms as LRGVDC Board President and her tenure on the Board of Directors. He presented her with a proclamation for her years of service to the LRGVDC, the state flag of Texas, and a “Texas-sized” gavel.

Upon conclusion of Senator Lucio’s presentation, President Suarez moved to item 4: Administration and addressed the following:

A. Presentation and Consider Action on 2018 Annual Audit

Mr. Guillermo Reyna with Oscar R. Gonzalez, CPA & Associates was recognized and stated that his firm has rendered a clean (unmodified) opinion on the 2018 Annual Audit, and that no findings were identified. ***Commissioner Rick Salinas made a motion to accept the 2018 Annual Audit as presented. Commissioner Edward Gonzales seconded, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

B. Consideration and Action on Quarterly Investment Report

The Hon. Norma G. Garcia made a motion to accept the Quarterly Investment Report. Mr. Troy Allen seconded, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

C. Presentation on Texas Gas Service’s Energy Efficiency Program Workshop

Ms. Naomi Perales, Texas Gas Service, was recognized and introduced Ms. Haley Cunningham, Texas Gas Services Manager of the Energy Efficiency Program. Ms. Cunningham gave a presentation on the status of the Energy Efficiency Program noting that the program is in its third year of operation.

D. Executive Director Report

LRGVDC Executive Director Ron Garza to address the following:

LRGVDC Updates & Activities

1. Introduction of New Staff Members

Mr. Garza announced that the following individuals have recently joined the LRGVDC staff:

Mr. Emmanuel Escobedo, Accounting Technician II, Finance Department

Ms. Leticia Pantoja, Economic Development VISTA

Ms. Yarisney Falcon, Vehicle Driver II, Valley Metro was unable to attend.

The Board warmly welcomed our new staff members.

2. MPO Planning Agreement between TxDOT, RGVMPPO, and LRGVDC

Mr. Garza presented this agreement and provided hard copies to the Board. He stated that this agreement has standardized language that cannot be altered. The RGVMPPO Policy Board took action and unanimously approved this agreement at their last meeting. The agreement stipulates that the RGVMPPO will have the sole responsibility to hire and terminate the Planning Director and the future Executive Director of the RGVMPPO. TxDOT's legal department has also approved this agreement. The LRGVDC as the fiscal agent will have the responsibility to supervise the day-to-day functions of the RGVMPPO and evaluate staff performance. ***Ms. Celeste Sanchez made a motion to approve the MPO Planning Agreement between TxDOT, RGVMPPO, and the LRGVDC as presented; the Hon. Norma G. Garcia seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

3. Consider Appointment of Board Designee and Alternate to Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC)

Mr. Garza informed the Board that this is an annual designation. Mr. Javier Deleon has faithfully served in this capacity for three years, with Mayor Jim Darling serving as his alternate for the last two years. Mayor Darling has expressed interest in serving as LRGVDC's TARC designee for the next fiscal year, and during discussion Commissioner Rick Guerra agreed to serve as his alternate. Upon conclusion of discussion ***Mr. Javier Deleon made a motion to approve Mayor Jim Darling as the TARC designee with Commissioner Rick Guerra as his alternate. The Hon. Norma G. Garcia seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

4. Census 2020

Mr. Garza informed the Board that current census activities are gearing up for the April 2020 Census and "Listers" will begin going door-to-door to confirm addresses. The next Complete Count Committee meeting is scheduled for September 17.

5. RGV B-Cycle

Mr. Garza presented the purchase agreement between LRGVDC and B-Cycle, LLC for equipment and services for the RGV B-Cycle program. He explained that there are three steps to making this program come to fruition:

Step 1 - Enter into an agreement between LRGVDC and B-Cycle, LLC.

Step 2 - The LRGVDC to enter into a special agreement with the City of McAllen for their B-Cycle infrastructure to be combined with this regional effort.

Step 3 - Have an agreement with every city that wants to partner in the RGV B-Cycle program.

Mr. Garza informed the Board that the Purchase Agreement has been thoroughly vetted by LRGVDC's legal counsel. Of note is the fact that through their national canvassing efforts the attorneys have not found a program quite like this across the US. In terms of a regional effort for this type of structure RGV B-Cycle will be a unique program. Board action is required to authorize him to sign this agreement on behalf of the organization and begin this process. Upon conclusion of discussion ***Mayor Pro-tem Norie Gonzalez Garza made a motion to approve the RGV B-Cycle agreement as presented. Commissioner Veronica Whitacre seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

6. Road to Recycling Tire Project

Mr. Garza informed the Board that staff recently concluded the funding for this program which expires on August 31, 2019. He thanked all those who participated in the Road-to-Recycling Tire Collection efforts this year and announced that over 40,000 tires have been removed from our environment. Every event like this helps the region learn more about this problem and how to mitigate it.

He reminded the Board that he learned a great deal from his trip to Arkansas this past May. Staff has had productive discussions with UTRGV's Civil Engineering Department. They have agreed to do a preliminary study of the feasibility of creating a tire recycling project, similar to the one in Arkansas, that would shred tires down to a certain compound and then determine a use for that compound. Mr. Garza stated that our goal for this project is to gather all the information possible over the next year and a half and present it at the next legislative session as supporting documentation for a state supported tire recycling program.

Judge Aurelio Guerra stated that in Willacy County tires have been piling up for decades. The County made the decision to invest in efforts to eliminate this problem and the Road-to-Recycling Tire Collection project has helped tremendously with the collection effort as well as making the Region aware of this problem. He thanked the LRGVDC for this initiative.

7. Animal Care Coalition Advisory Committee

Mr. Garza informed the Board that the LRGVDC has been hosting the Animal Care Coalition for about a year. The purpose of this coalition is to bring stakeholders together for another out-of-sight, out-of-mind issue, like illegally dumped tires. The coalition has grown organically and has requested that the Board consider making them an advisory committee that would report here at the monthly Board meetings. There is no funding available for this group, but there are enough regional resources to coordinate this effort. ***Ms. Veronica Gonzales made a motion to approve the creation of the LRGVDC Animal Care Coalition Advisory Committee. Commissioner Edward Gonzales seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

8. Disaster Mitigation Forum (Sept. 26th)

Mr. Garza announced that the LRGVDC Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee (RWRAC) will host a Disaster Mitigation Forum on Thursday, September 26 at 2:00 pm. He stated that the GLO has allocated \$4.3 billion for disaster recovery and the rules for this funding have just been published. The purpose of the Disaster Mitigation Forum is to advocate the Valley's needs to the GLO who is in the process of creating an action plan for this funding. The reason they have allocated such a large amount is because it is for storms from 2015, two of which impacted the Valley, storms from 2016, and Hurricane Harvey. Hurricane Harvey will take a large portion of this funding, but the Valley is eligible for a portion of the \$4.3 billion for the two disaster declarations in 2015.

The GLO created an online survey for those effected by the storms to report their damages, but unfortunately not many entities from the Valley responded to the survey. With our partnership with the GLO staff asked them to consider the idea of the LRGVDC RWRAC facilitating this forum. They readily agreed because they know the Valley was impacted and they need our information. A report will be made with the information gathered at the forum and will be submitted to the GLO for inclusion in their action plan.

Mr. Garza stressed the importance of participation in this forum by city managers and elected officials to provide as much information as possible about the impacts the storms had on their communities.

Mr. Garza also announced that another \$46.4 million has been appropriated for the June 2018 RGV flood event and it is currently in the rules making process. In addition, the EDA has advised the LRGVDC that they have disaster supplemental funds for the flooding that occurred on June 24, 2019. He offered support to any Valley community who might need it because the LRGVDC can administer EDA programs and grant projects.

9. Partnership with UTRGV for Mid-Valley “Park-n-Ride”

Mr. Garza informed the Board that through LRGVDC Transportation Department’s partnership with UTRGV, they have requested the creation of a park-n-ride on the north side of the main parking lot at the Railroad Street Main Campus in Weslaco. This idea developed after the opening of the UTRGV Center for Innovation and Commercialization (CIC) located across Texas Blvd next to Weslaco City Hall. UTRGV has brought academic programs to the CIC and LRGVDC Valley Metro currently has special bus routes going from the CIC to the UTRGV Edinburg and Brownsville Campuses. With the high ridership demand on these routes, UTRGV proposed the idea of expanding it with a park-n-ride. The north side of the main parking lot is seldom utilized, and as part of this agreement UTRGV will stripe the currently blank asphalt for parking spaces. Creating a Mid-Valley Park-n-Ride will benefit the general public as well as UTRGV students. The final agreement has not yet been drafted, but it will consist of UTRGV striping the lot and providing a match for the bus stop with LRGVDC making the space available for this purpose. Upon conclusion of discussion ***Ms. Celeste Sanchez made a motion to approve the partnership with UTRGV to create a Park-n-Ride as presented. Mr. Javier Deleon seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

Upon conclusion of the Executive Director report Mr. Garza showed an amazing video of the first successful up-and-down test flight of the Space X Star Hopper that took place yesterday. He noted that the success of Space X could open many Economic Development opportunities for this region.

President Suarez next moved to item 5: Department Reports.

A. Community & Economic Development

Ms. Blanca Davila, Assistant Director was recognized to address the following:

Program Action Items:

1. Consideration and Action to Appoint Members to the Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee (RWRAC)

At their August 14 meeting the RWRAC nominated the following committee members:

Chair	Commissioner David Fuentes
Vice Chair	Commissioner Eduardo Gonzales

Special Purpose District – Drainage (Willacy)	Glen Wilde
Region M Water Planning Group	Mayor Jim Darling and Alt. Jamie Flores
Special Purpose District – General and Non-Profits	Javier Guerrero
Institute of Higher Education	VACANT

Mr. Javier Deleon made a motion to approve the membership appointments as presented.

Ms. Celeste Sanchez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

Program Status Reports

The status reports were provided in the meeting packet for review.

B. Health & Human Services

Program Action Items:

Mr. Richard Flores, Assistant Director of Area Agency on Aging, was recognized to report on the following:

1. Consideration and Action to Approve Fiscal Year 2020 Funding (Nutrition Services, Senior Center Services, and Caregiver Support)

Mr. Flores informed the Board that the AAA Advisory Council recommends approval to provide Older Americans Act Funding to the organizations listed on the attached Advisory Council Funding Recommendations for FY 2020. These recommendations include the providers selected as part of LRGVDC's required competitive bidding process. The list includes the organizations, the amount of the recommended funding, and the service the funding will support. The program year for this funding is October 1, 2019 - September 30, 2020. The total amount of funding being awarded is \$2,919,733 to provide congregate meals, home delivered meals, transportation to and from the nutrition sites, senior centers, and caregiver support services. ***Mayor Pro-tem Norie Gonzalez Garza made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2020 funding for nutrition services, senior center services, and caregiver support as presented. Commissioner Veronica Whitacre seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

2. Consideration and Action to Approve Fiscal Year 2020 Direct Purchased Services Contractor (Vendor) Pool

Mr. Flores informed the Board that this will be the pool of contractors (vendors) that Case Managers use to purchase services for their clients. These services include medications, medical supplies, durable medical equipment, homemaker services, respite services, and residential modifications. These recommendations were made based on responses from open solicitation of contractors and will support case management clients to help them remain independently at home. The contracts will be for the program year of October 1, 2019 - September 30, 2020. ***The Hon. Norma G. Garcia made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2020 Direct Purchased Services contractor pool as presented. Judge Aurelio Guerra seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

Program Status Report

The status reports were provided in the meeting packet for review.

C. Public Safety

Program Action Items:

It was the consensus of the Board to act on the next four items in one motion. President Suarez next recognized Director Manuel Cruz to summarize the following:

1. Consideration and Action to Approve the Purchase of 780 (Seven Hundred and Eighty) All Hazard Weather Radios

Mr. Cruz informed the Board that these All Hazard Weather Radios will be used to continue 9-1-1/ECOMMS outreach efforts for community preparedness and 9-1-1 public education. The total amount of this purchase is \$45,240. With the LRGVDC's implementation of the Two NOAA transmitter systems staff continues partnering with NGOs, city and county emergency managers, state agencies, and the National Weather Service. The purpose of these radios is to provide effective notifications regarding emergencies related to potential acts of terrorism, preparedness and impending severe weather-related disasters.

This purchase will be made utilizing the current contract with Promo Direct as the vendor. This is a budgeted line item and the funding was made possible through the Homeland Security Grant Program - Community Preparedness and Commission on State Emergency Communications – ECOMMS/9-1-1 Public Education Program.

2. Consideration and Action to Renew Recorder Software Licenses in Order to Continue Recording 9-1-1 Calls at Our 18 PSAPs

Mr. Cruz stated that this purchase will renew recorder software licenses in order to continue recording 9-1-1 calls. The renewal is estimated at \$30,371.25 for one year of Tier 3 maintenance. The maintenance period on recorders is due to expire on August 31, 2019. The recorders are used to record all 9-1-1 incoming calls at the Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP). Licenses must be renewed before the current contract expires to continue to use the license associated with the recorders.

Commercial Electronics is the current vendor and maintains the recorders, therefore, the software license is proprietary, and the continuation of this service agreement will continue to honor the current warranty of the equipment. For this reason, Commercial Electronics is selected as the vendor and this is a Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) approved budgeted line item.

3. Consideration and Action to Purchase 9-1-1 Promotional Material for Public Education

Mr. Cruz stated that consideration is requested to purchase a stock replenishment of 9-1-1 promotional material. The total amount of this purchase is estimated at \$88,000. These items will be used during Public Education Outreach events. Reading material and promotional items that have messages about ongoing 9-1-1 campaigns assist staff in promoting important information to the public.

ECOMMS/9-1-1 has an existing contract with Promo Direct to purchase promotional items and this is a CSEC approved budgeted line item. Public Education Outreach is a key performance objective of the ECOMMS/9-1-1 division.

4. Consideration and Action to Purchase Cinema Advertisement in Theatres within Hidalgo County for FY 2019/2020

The LRGVDC ECOMMS/9-1-1 Department would like to purchase air time for service announcements that will run in Cinemark theaters in Hidalgo County at a cost of \$189,608.71. As part of our programmatic approach to continue to provide 9-1-1 awareness to the community we look forward to continuing our 9-1-1 Public Education campaign and continue to display public service announcements at local theaters.

The selected vendor is National CineMedia. They are the single, exclusive sales and marketing representative and therefore the purchase contract will be a sole source. This is a CSEC approved budgeted line item. Public Education Outreach is a key performance objective of the ECOMMS/9-1-1 division. ***Upon conclusion of the reading of each motion, the Hon. Norma G. Garcia made a motion to approve items 5. C. 1-4 as presented. Mayor Pro-tem Norie Gonzales Garza seconded the motion.*** Ms. Celeste Sanchez called for discussion on methods of distribution for the All Hazard Radios in item 5. C. 1. and how the public is informed on where to get them. Mr. Cruz stated that the LRGVDC ECOMMS Public Education Department attends many public education events including National Nights Out where promotional materials, such as All Hazard Radios, are distributed to the public. One method of publicizing these events is through LRGVDC's partnership with KRGV-TV Channel 5.

Discussion turned to the effectiveness of advertising 9-1-1 messages in movie theatres as requested in action item 5. C. 4. Various methods of advertising were discussed as well as means by which to measure their effectiveness. At the end of the discussion Mr. Garza suggested including the question of "how did you hear about us?" in the address validation process when citizens come to LRGVDC's ECOMMS/9-1-1 office to get their physical address. Upon conclusion of discussion, ***President Suarez called for a vote on the motion to approve items 5. C. 1-4., the vote was unanimously in favor and the motion carried.***

Program Status Reports:

Upon conclusion of action Mr. Cruz stated that the program status reports were in the meeting packet for review.

D. Transportation

Program Action Items:

It was the consensus of the Board to act on the next three items in one motion. President Suarez next recognized Valley Metro Director Tom Logan to address the following:

1. Consideration and Action to Purchase IT Hardware and Software

Approval is requested to purchase Information Technology Hardware and Software to be used by the Valley Metro division. This equipment and software will be used to conduct daily operations and for reporting program requirements. It will replace those that have met their useful life and this purchase will ensure that our information processing systems are reliable and up-to-date.

The purchase of IT hardware and software will be made using FTA grant (#TX-2019-042-00) and TxDOT Transportation Development Credits (TDC) approved by LRGVDC Procurement through the following vendor contracts/sole-source quotes:

1) "Dell Marketing LP" (DIR-TSO-2763) for IT Hardware (PCs, Monitors, Printers, Tablets, and Peripherals) at \$74,222.63

2) "Ride Systems" (sole-source) for IT Hardware (Mobile Routers) at \$33,000.

2. Consideration and Action to Revise Title VI / Limited English Proficiency / Environmental Justice Policy

Staff requests Board approval to incorporate revisions to the Title VI Policy to ensure compliance with Federal Transit Administration's Title VI Program. This update is required every 3 years.

3. Consideration and Action to Revise LRGVDC Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace Policy

Staff requests Board approval to incorporate revisions to the language inherent in LRGVDC's Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace Policy regarding the Drug and Alcohol Program. These revisions are imperative to bring the Policy into full compliance with both TxDOT and FTA transit program requirements. Upon conclusion of discussion ***Ms. Celeste Sanchez made a motion to approve items 5. D. 1-3 as presented. Commissioner Veronica Whitacre seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

Program Status Reports:

The Valley Metro Status reports were provided in the meeting packet.

Program Status Reports:

Mr. Andrew Canon, HCMPO Director, was recognized and informed the Board that tomorrow the TxDOT Commission will vote on the 10-year plan or UTP (Unified Transportation Program) for projects in the State of Texas. The meeting will be live-streamed, and he encouraged the Board to view it if possible. He then listed several Rio Grande Valley projects included in the UTP that totaled approximately \$75 billion dollars. He noted that with the RGVMPO officially beginning operation this October 1 more funding will become available to the Rio Grande Valley as it will be the 5th largest MPO in the State of Texas.

President Suarez next moved to item 6. – Executive Session

A. Deliberation Regarding Real Property (LRGVDC Program Staff Office) in accordance with the Texas

Government code, Section 551.072, the Board reserves the right to retire into executive session for deliberation regarding real property.

At 1:19 pm Judge Aurelio Guerra made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Commissioner Rick Salinas seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

- B. Reconvene into Open Session to Consider Action on Items Related to Executive Session as Described above

President Suarez reconvened open session at 1:35 pm. ***Commissioner Rick Salinas made a motion to explore the possibility of acquiring real-estate for a satellite office in Cameron County for multi-program. Ms. Celeste Sanchez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

President Suarez next moved to item 7. – New or Unfinished Business.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Suarez called for a motion to adjourn. ***The Hon. Norma G. Garcia made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Jesse Zuniga seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:35 pm.***

Mayor David Suarez, President

ATTEST:

Deborah Morales, Recording Secretary

ITEM #4. A.

ADMINISTRATION

**EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR
REPORT**

ITEM #5. A.

**COMMUNITY
&
ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors Meeting**

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Item #5: Department Reports

A. Community & Economic Development

- 1. Consideration and ACTION to Approve the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Solid Waste Management Resolution**

As per the Regional Solid Waste Grants Program Application for FY 2020/2021, a signed resolution from the LRGVDC governing body must accompany the application.

The LRGVDC shall submit the signed resolution with the application as a .pdf document along with the project implementation budget workbook as recommended by Solid Waste Advisory Committee. (SWAC)

*Implementation budget as recommended by SWAC will be available as a handout for board meeting.

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO FILE AND EXECUTE AN APPLICATION AND A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR THE FY 2020/2021 SOLID WASTE GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, this resolution will authorize the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Executive Director to file and execute an application and grant contract with the TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR FY 2020/2021 SOLID WASTE GRANT PROGRAM; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas acting by and through the TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY administers the Solid Waste Management Program; and

WHEREAS, the TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY informed the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council that these funds are available to conduct the FY 2020/2021 SOLID WASTE GRANT PROGRAM;

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, by the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors that:

- A. The Executive Director be authorized to file and execute an application and grant contract for FY 2020/2021 SOLID WASTE GRANT PROGRAM.
- B. The Executive Director be authorized to take such actions necessary to implement the aforementioned contract.
- C. The Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council will comply with provisions of the financial assistance program and the requirements of the TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
- D. Grant funds will be used only for the purposes for which they are provided.
- E. The solid waste program will be in compliance with and supports the State solid waste strategic plan, the regional solid waste management plan, and any superseding plans, statutes, or regulations applicable to the geographical area covered by the program.

Adopted by the LRGVDC at a meeting held on the 25th day of September 2019

Honorable David Suarez, President
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors Meeting

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Item #5: Department Reports

A. Community & Economic Development

- Regional Small Cities Coalition

Texas Gas Service presented to the Regional Small Cities Coalition on Friday, September 13. Small and Large cities were provided Texas Gas Services updates.

The next meeting for the Regional Small Cities Coalition is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 11:30 AM at City of Alamo.

- Explore RGV

Municipality contributions to the Explore RGV Regional Marketing Project payments were received Friday, September 13, 2019. Cities that have contributed thus far are Alamo, Edinburg, Elsa, Los Fresnos, Lyford, Palm Valley, Pharr, and Sullivan City.

Download Explore RGV app at the Apple Store and Google Play or visit www.goexplorergv.com. Please follow @goexplorergv on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook.

- Census 2020

The next RGV Census 2020 Regional Taskforce Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 1, 2019 at 10:00 am in the Ken Jones Executive Board Room, Building B at the LRGVDC Main Campus in Weslaco.

- HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program

The LRGVDC was awarded contracts with the Texas General Land Office as a subrecipient to administer HUD CDBG-Disaster Recovery funding issued as a result of Hurricane Dolly. All funds have been expended for the following, Non-Family Rental, Multi-Family Rental, and Administrative costs. The grants awarded to the LRGVDC were expended and projects have been completed at a 100%. The contract between LRGVDC and the Texas General Land Office (GLO) for Multi-Family Rental ended December 31, 2018. LRGVDC is working with GLO to finalize contract close-out.

- Solid Waste Management Program

Staff continues to provide technical assistance and outreach and continues to monitor all Solid Waste Management Projects. The Solid Waste Advisory Committee hosted a

meeting Friday, September 20, 2019. All information pertaining to the Solid Waste Program is available at www.lrgvdc.org/solidwaste.html

- **Water Quality Program**

Staff continues to provide education and outreach to the cities/communities on water quality issues by attending water quality related functions.

- **Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee**

In partnership with TxGLO, the LRGVDC will be hosting a Disaster Mitigation Forum, as part of a special meeting of the Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee (RWRAC) on September 26 at 2:00 pm (301 W. Railroad St, Weslaco – Ken Jones Executive Board Room – Building B). The purpose of this forum is to gather input and feedback from regional stakeholders and provide GLO with a written response to be used as part of their statewide action plan.

- **Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (Region M)**

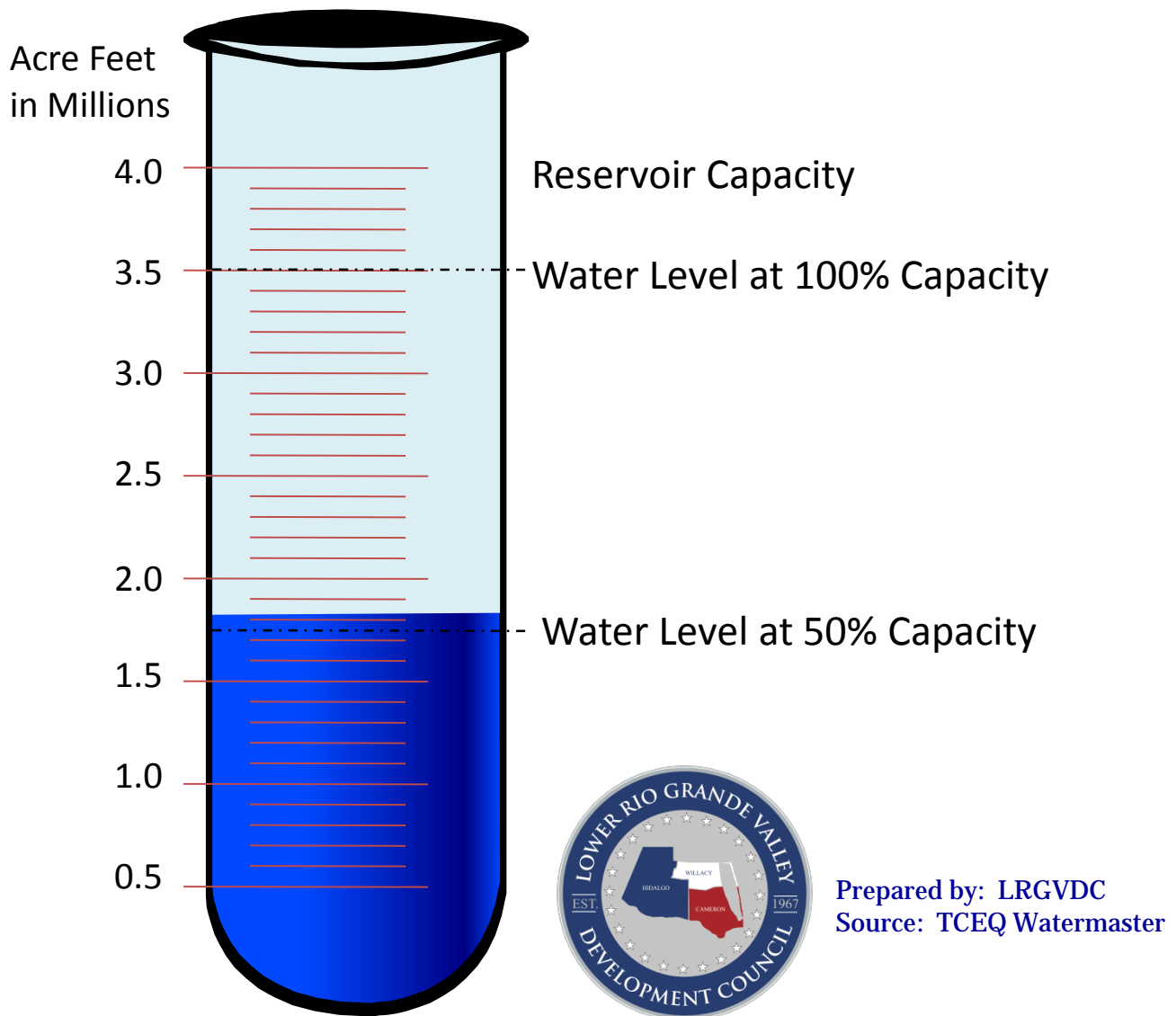
The next meeting of the Region M Group is scheduled for Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 10:30 am. Please visit the Region M Website at www.riograndewaterplan.org for updates on the 2021 Regional Water Plan and other Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group activities.

- **Reservoir Levels**

On September 14, 2019, the U.S. combined ownership at Amistad/Falcon stood at 54.71% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 1,855,715 acre-feet, up from 47.85% (1,623,041 AF) of normal conservation a year ago. Overall the system is holding 37.86% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 2,242,424 acre-feet with Amistad at 49.08% of conservation capacity, impounding 1,607,638 acre-feet and Falcon at 23.98% of conservation capacity, impounding 634,786 acre-feet. Mexico has 15.28% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 386,709 acre-feet at Amistad/Falcon.

Water Levels at Amistad and Falcon Reservoirs (U.S. Ownership)

9/14/2019, 54.71% of Capacity or 1,855,715 AF
up from 1,623,041 AF of Normal Conservation a year ago



**NOTE: Mexico Ownership/Reservoir Capacity for
September 14, 2019: 15.28% (386,709) A.F.**

Rio Grande Watermaster Report

09/14/19

Amistad

Normal Conservation Elevation	340.462	Meters	1,117.00 Feet	
Water Elevation	330.490	Meters	1,084.28 Feet	-32.72
Total Normal Conservation Capacity	4,040,325	TCM	3,275,532 Acre-Feet	
Total Combined Storage	1,983,000	TCM	1,607,638 Acre-Feet	49.08%
US Share of Current Storage	1,721,000	TCM	1,395,232 Acre-Feet	86.79%
Mexico share of Current Storage	262,000	TCM	212,406 Acre-Feet	13.21%
TOTAL RELEASES AVG	57.50	CMS	2,031 CFS	
US Release AVG	52.80	CMS	1,865 CFS	91.83%
Mexico Release AVG	4.70	CMS	166 CFS	8.17%
TOTAL INFLOWS AVG	39.70	CMS	1,402 CFS	
US Inflows AVG	30.00	CMS	1,059 CFS	
Mexico Inflows AVG	9.70	CMS	343 CFS	
US Reservoir Loss	12.40	CMS	438 CFS	

Falcon

Normal Conservation Elevation	91.805	Meters	301.20 Feet	
Water Elevation	81.080	Meters	266.01 Feet	-35.19
Total Normal Conservation Capacity	3,264,813	TCM	2,646,817 Acre-Feet	
Total Combined Storage	783,000	TCM	634,786 Acre-Feet	23.98%
US Share of Current Storage	568,000	TCM	460,483 Acre-Feet	72.54%
Mexico share of Current Storage	215,000	TCM	174,303 Acre-Feet	27.46%
Total Releases AVG	17.70	CMS	625 CFS	
US Release AVG	7.37	CMS	260 CFS	41.64%
Mexico Release AVG	10.33	CMS	365 CFS	58.36%
TOTAL INFLOWS AVG	74.70	CMS	2,638 CFS	
US Inflows AVG	58.70	CMS	2,073 CFS	
Mexico Inflows AVG	16.00	CMS	565 CFS	
US Reservoir Loss	6.02	CMS	213 CFS	

Overall Status

Normal Conservation Capacity - Amistad	4,040,325	TCM	3,275,532 Acre-Feet	
US Share of Amistad Normal Conservation	2,270,663	TCM	1,840,849 Acre-Feet	
Current US share of Normal Conservation	1,721,000	TCM	1,395,232 Acre-Feet	75.79%
Normal Conservation Capacity - Falcon	3,264,813	TCM	2,646,817 Acre-Feet	
US Share of Falcon Normal Conservation	1,913,180	TCM	1,551,034 Acre-Feet	
Current US share of Normal Conservation	568,000	TCM	460,483 Acre-Feet	29.69%
Normal Capacity - Amistad/Falcon System	7,305,138	TCM	5,922,348 Acre-Feet	
Normal Conservation Capacity - US	4,183,843	TCM	3,391,883 Acre-Feet	57.27%
Normal Conservation Capacity - Mexico	3,121,295	TCM	2,530,466 Acre-Feet	42.73%
Current Storage US	2,289,000	TCM	1,855,715 Acre-Feet	54.71%
Current Storage Mexico	477,000	TCM	386,709 Acre-Feet	15.28%
Current Storage - Amistad - Falcon System	2,766,000	TCM	2,242,424 Acre-Feet	
Percent of Storage Capacity	37.86%		37.86%	

ITEM #5. B.

**HEALTH
&
HUMAN SERVICES**

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
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Wednesday, September 25, 2019

Item #5: Department Reports

B. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging Status Report Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Direct Purchase Service Contractors

Staff is submitting for approval consideration 14 applicants for the Direct Purchase Service Contractor Pool for Fiscal Year 2020.

The services under these contractors include home modifications, medication assistance, medical supplies and equipment, homemaker services, and caregiver respite care. These contractors are utilized by case managers for purchasing services for their clients.

Contractors were selected as per LRGVDC competitive bidding process in response to 2nd round of solicitation for eligible and qualified contractors.

FY 2020 Direct Purchase Service Contractor Pool

	Applicant	Services	Rate
1	Guidino Construction	Residential Modifications	Variable Rate
2	Los Milagros Construction	Residential Modifications	Variable Rate
3	Checker's Construction	Residential Modifications	Variable Rate
4	Lee's Pharmacy North	Medications and Medical Supplies	Variable Rate
5	Lee's Pharmacy South	Medications and Medical Supplies	Variable Rate
6	Autrey Pharmacy	Medications and Medical Supplies	Variable Rate
7	Ochoa's Rx LLC	Medications and Medical Supplies	Variable Rate
8	Watson's City Drug	Medications and Medical Supplies	Variable Rate
9	Brandon's DME Supply	Durable Medical Equipment	Variable Rate
10	APC Homemaker Services	Homemaker and Respite Care	\$13.27 Per Hour
11	D'Oro Home Health Services	Homemaker and Respite Care	\$13.00 Per Hour
12	Acclaim Health Services	Homemaker and Respite Care	\$12.93 Per Hour
13	Nurses That Care	Homemaker and Respite Care	\$12.98 Per Hour
14	P.A.C.E. Health Care, Inc.	Homemaker and Respite Care	\$9.35 Per Hour

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B. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging Status Report Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

- **Opioid Misuse Prevention for Older Texans Funding**

The office of Aging Services Coordination (ASC) has issued a notification of funding in the amount of \$127,190 to provide medication management reviews to 1,161 individuals, provide pain management through an evidenced based intervention, and develop a capacity building strategy. This is part of the Health and Human Service strategy to address the opioid crisis among the elderly.

- **State General Revenue Regarding Home-Delivered Meals**

In follow up to last month's report regarding the 86th Texas Legislature's passage of Rider 99 that increased the rate for home-delivered meals, there was a \$0.36 increase to the current \$4.95 rate. The new rate is \$5.31 per meal. The Area Agency on Aging received a notification of fund available in the amount of \$68,885. The allotment was based on 191,345 meals Amigos Del Valle included in their fiscal year 2020 rate setting.

ITEM #5. C.

PUBLIC SAFETY

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Item #5: Department Reports

C. Public Safety

9-1-1/Emergency Communications Status Report

- **Location Validation Program**
Staff continues routinely issuing 9-1-1 physical addresses and addressing new subdivisions for Hidalgo and Willacy Counties.
- **Database Program**
Database staff continue to update the 9-1-1 database. The month of August, 13 Telephone Numbers (TN) were corrected, and 37 streets in the Master Street Address Guide (MSAG) were added/updated. Over 300 address request calls were received which resulted in 270 address tickets for 9-1-1 physical addresses.
- **Mapping Program**
ECOMMS/9-1-1 hosted and attended a five-day Arc GIS training course. An invitation was made available to local planning department and LRGVDC staff.
- **System and Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations**
Systems staff continue monitoring our PSAP sites. The Systems team has begun the installation of generators at 12 out of 17 PSAPs. Elsa, Alton, and La Joya PDs have been completed. Also, staff attended the TARC quarterly meeting and attended training on the necessity of NG911 new Geographic projections and cyber security.
- **Public Education /Training Program**
Public Education is an ongoing priority for the 9-1-1/Emergency Communications Division. Staff continues to reach out to communities to educate residents. This month staff participated in several Back to School events and the Commemoration of the 9/11 Attacks at McAllen's 9/11 Stair Climb event. National Night Out events will be taking place Sept - Oct 2019 at different locations throughout the RGV. National Nights Out enhance the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. We highly encourage communities to support their local law enforcement agencies.

Event Request Notice: All event requests must be submitted through our online system. This "*Online Request Form*" must be submitted 14 business days prior to the event. All fields must be populated, and the event flier must be uploaded. To view the online system, visit our website: www.lrgvdc911.org and select the "*Event Request*" tab. Once the event has been submitted an ECOMMS staff member will receive the notification and approve or deny the event based on availability.

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C. Public Safety

Criminal Justice Program

- Regional Crime Victim Program Advocates conducted outreach at various National Night Out Events in the region.
- Regional Crime Victim Program Advocates attended the Crime Victim Services Conference at The University of Texas-Austin September 10-12.

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C. Public Safety

Homeland Security Program

- Staff attended the Texas Association of Regional Council Meeting (TARC) on September 11 in Austin. Topics discussed were the upcoming FY2020 grant funding cycle, new funding sources, and new grant requirements.
- Staff participated in the Radio Interop 101 Testing Module, which is an initiative of the Texas SWIC (Statewide Interoperability Coordinator).
- Staff gave a presentation on emergency preparedness and safety at the 12th Annual Community Partners Information Sharing held on August 30 at the Edinburg Conference Center at Renaissance.
- Animal Care Coalition Advisory Committee
The next meeting is scheduled on October 24, at 9:30 am at the LRGVDC Main Campus Small Board Room. The topics of discussion will include a standardized city ordinance for animal control and outreach efforts.

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C. Public Safety

Regional Police Academy Status Report

- **In-Service Training**
The Regional Police Academy conducted Civilian Response to Active Attack Events for the RGV Contractors Association. Over 30 participants attended the course.
- **Report on the 199th Basic Peace Officer Course**
The 199th Basic Peace Officer Course is progressing on track and scheduled to be completed in November 2019. Currently there are 26 Cadets in this class. They are scheduled to take the state licensing exam in October.
- **Report on the 201st Basic Peace Officer Course**
The 201st Basic Peace Officer Course started on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 with a total of 60 Cadets. The cadets are currently attending courses at TSTC Harlingen, Edinburg Police Department, Hidalgo Police Department, and the Mission Police Department.
- **Testing for the 202nd and 203rd**
Testing for the 202nd and 203rd Basic Peace Officer Courses started on Tuesday August 27, 2019. Testing is offered on nearly every Tuesday, twice a day and will continue through Tuesday, November 19, 2019.

ITEM #5. D.

TRANSPORTATION

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Item #5: Department Reports

D. Transportation

Valley Metro Status Report Tom Logan, Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Purchase IT Software

Staff requests Board approval consideration for purchase of Information Technology Software to be used by the Valley Metro division. This proprietary software will be used to conduct daily operations and for reporting program requirements; it will replace software that has met its useful life. This software will enhance information processing systems are reliable, safe, and up-to-date.

Purchase of IT software will be made using FTA grant (#TX-2019-042-00) and TxDOT Transportation Development Credits (TDC) approved by LRGVDC Procurement through the following vendor contracts/sole-source quote:

- 1) “Remix”** (sole-source) for IT Software (Transit Planning) at \$26,980.

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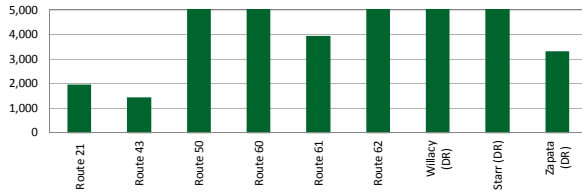
Valley Metro Status Report Tom Logan, Director

- **Ridership Report**
Both the rural and urban transit systems are in operation and all systems are monitored daily. For the month of August 2019, ridership for the urban system, which operates Monday through Saturday in the urban areas of Cameron, Hidalgo, and Starr Counties has been averaging **10,531** passengers a week. Ridership for the rural system which operates in the rural areas of Cameron, Hidalgo, Willacy, Starr, and Zapata Counties has an average of **2,190** passengers per week for the month of August.
- **Regional Transportation Advisory Panel (RTAP) Activity**
The next RTAP meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 31, 2019 at Workforce Solutions Corporate Office located at 3101 W Business 83 in McAllen.

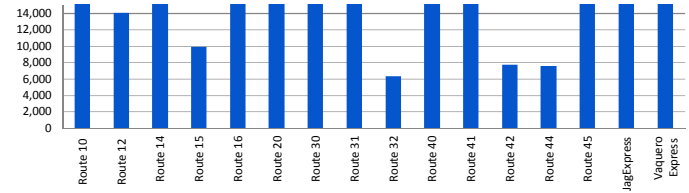


LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Valley Metro Service Summary
FY 2019 September-August

RURAL
Ridership by Route

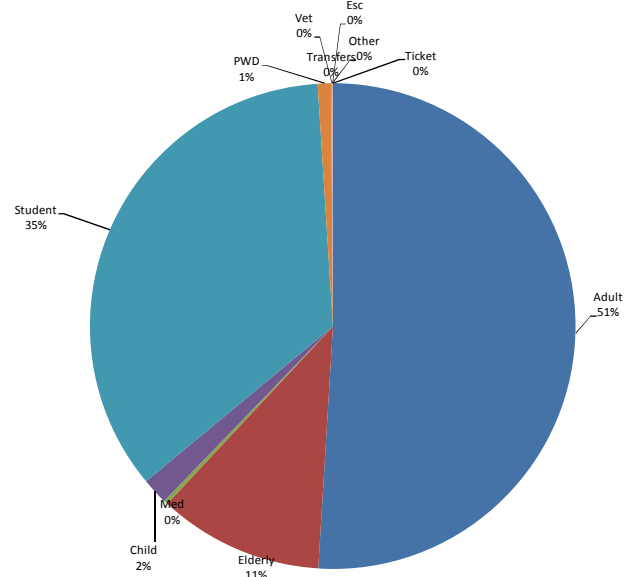


URBAN
Ridership by Route



	Route	Total Passenger Trips	Route Activity	Area(s) Served
RURAL	Route 21	1,960	0%	Sullivan City, West Hidalgo County
	Route 43	1,427	0%	South Cameron County
	Route 50	64,473	8%	Brownsville, Port Isabel
	Route 60	8,058	1%	Roma, Rio Grande City
	Route 61	3,921	0%	Rio Grande City
	Route 62	5,737	1%	Rio Grande City
	Willacy (DR)	5,154	1%	Willacy County
	Starr (DR)	8,210	1%	Starr County
	Zapata (DR)	3,298	0%	Zapata County
	Metro Express	44,172	5%	Rio Grande Valley
URBAN	Route 10	33,470	4%	Edinburg
	Route 12	14,044	2%	Edcouch, Elsa, Edinburg
	Route 14	26,329	3%	Edinburg
	Route 15	9,898	1%	Edinburg
	Route 16	73,800	9%	Edinburg
	Route 20	35,498	4%	Mission
	Route 30	16,431	2%	Pharr, San Juan
	Route 31	75,841	9%	Hidalgo County
	Route 32	6,344	1%	Donna
	Route 40	15,843	2%	Harlingen
	Route 41	18,025	2%	Harlingen
	Route 42	7,763	1%	San Benito
	Route 44	7,539	1%	Primera, La Feria, Santa Rosa
	Route 45	51,591	6%	Cameron County
	JagExpress	66,367	9%	Weslaco, Pharr, McAllen
	Vaquero Express	215,605	26%	Edinburg
	Hidalgo	322	0%	City of Hidalgo
	TOTAL	821,120	100%	

Ridership Breakdown by Category

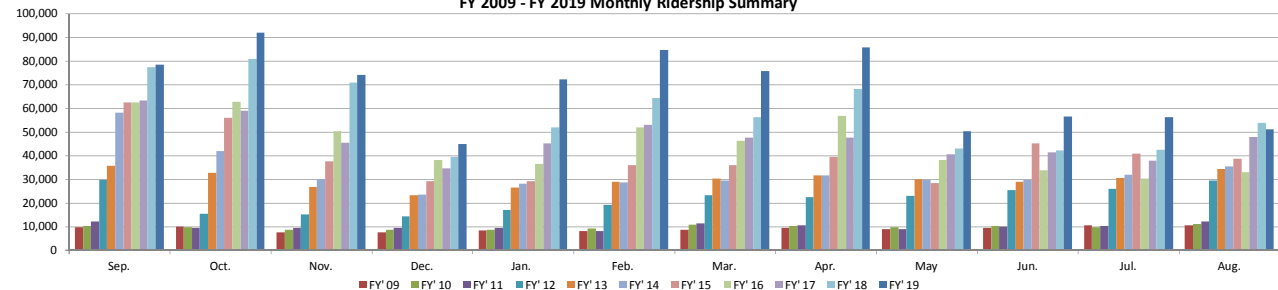


YEAR TO DATE RIDERSHIP REPORT

FY 2018 September - August	FY 2019 September-August	DIFFERENCE	% DIFFERENCE
689,663	821,120	131,457	19%

- * Rural service - service in rural low -population areas outside of urbanized areas
- * Urban service- service between or within urbanized areas

FY 2009 - FY 2019 Monthly Ridership Summary



Fiscal Year	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Total	Difference	%Change
FY' 08	9,978	4,927	4,378	4,077	9,057	9,065	8,832	9,195	9,624	9,031	8,706	9,568	96,438	45,095	88%
FY' 09	9,538	9,913	7,540	7,562	8,323	8,113	8,567	9,344	8,720	9,363	10,483	10,428	107,894	11,456	12%
FY' 10	10,274	9,702	8,580	8,471	8,670	9,204	10,836	10,274	9,566	10,107	9,537	10,931	116,152	8,258	8%
FY' 11	12,184	9,480	9,336	9,254	9,445	8,016	11,255	10,460	8,801	10,046	10,176	12,111	120,564	4,412	4%
FY' 12	29,644	15,256	14,982	14,267	17,057	19,196	23,184	22,450	22,827	25,436	25,807	29,518	259,624	139,060	115%
FY' 13	35,707	32,758	26,634	23,293	26,542	28,858	30,087	31,465	29,911	28,744	30,596	34,255	358,850	99,226	38%
FY' 14	58,118	41,893	30,069	23,338	28,011	28,593	29,386	31,638	29,761	29,806	31,733	35,241	397,587	38,737	11%
FY' 15	62,315	55,976	37,648	29,214	29,063	35,854	35,785	39,503	28,431	45,056	40,891	38,683	478,419	80,832	20%
FY' 16	62,317	62,627	50,274	38,130	36,305	51,887	46,286	56,675	37,990	33,822	30,148	32,939	539,400	60,981	13%
FY' 17	63,305	58,773	45,397	34,433	45,012	53,051	47,542	47,628	40,601	41,409	37,719	47,917	562,787	23,388	4%
FY' 18	77,255	80,744	70,823	39,507	51,877	64,209	56,076	68,058	42,956	42,169	42,264	53,725	689,663	126,876	23%
FY' 19	78,440	91,930	74,137	44,709	72,199	84,562	75,604	85,670	50,318	56,330	56,234	50,987	821,120	131,457	19%
Monthly Change from Previous FY	1,185	11,186	3,314	5,202	20,322	20,353	19,528	17,612	7,362	14,161	13,970	-2,738	131,457	4,581	1%
% Change	2%	12%	4%	12%	28%	24%	26%	21%	18%	34%	37%	-6%	23%	20%	13%

FY 2018 URBANIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES*

COST EFFECTIVENESS		SERVICE EFFICIENCY	
Cost per revenue mile =	\$2.40 State Avg. = \$4.85	Passengers per revenue mile =	0.58 State Avg. = .93
Cost per revenue hour =	\$46.22 State Avg. = \$73.39	Passengers per revenue hour =	11.12 State Avg. = 14.10
Cost per passenger =	\$4.16 State Avg. = \$5.21		

FY 2018 NONURBANIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES*

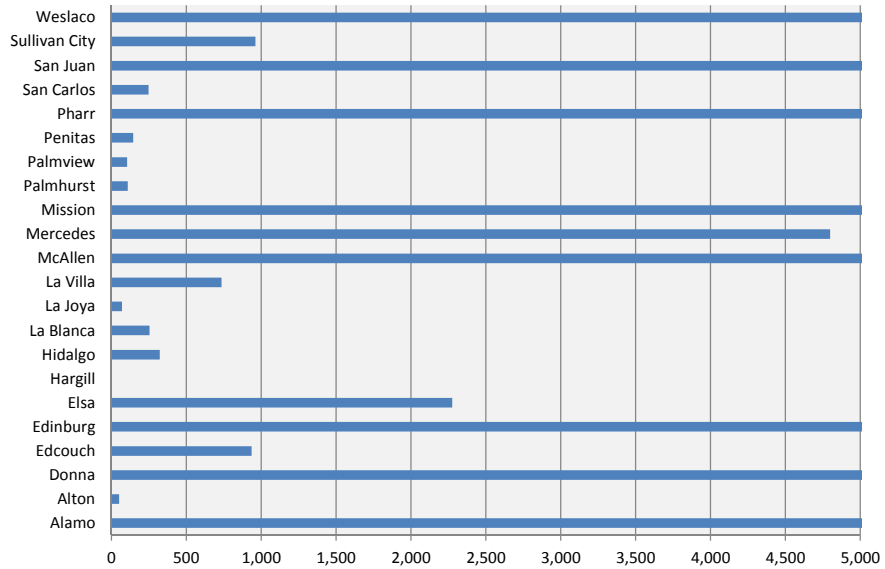
COST EFFECTIVENESS		SERVICE EFFICIENCY	
Cost per revenue mile =	\$3.03 State Avg. = \$2.99	Passengers per revenue mile =	0.20 State Avg. = .15
Cost per revenue hour =	\$71.08 State Avg. = \$59.91	Passengers per revenue hour =	5.44 State Avg. = 2.96
Cost per passenger =	\$14.83 State Avg. = \$20.21		

Distribution of Ridership

Hidalgo County

Alamo	5,536
Alton	51
Donna	12,847
Edcouch	936
Edinburg	347,957
Elsa	2,276
Hargill	0
Hidalgo	322
La Blanca	254
La Joya	69
La Villa	734
McAllen	138,261
Mercedes	4,799
Mission	18,636
Palmhurst	108
Palmview	105
Penitas	144
Pharr	24,541
San Carlos	247
San Juan	7,430
Sullivan City	961
Weslaco	19,105
Total	585,319

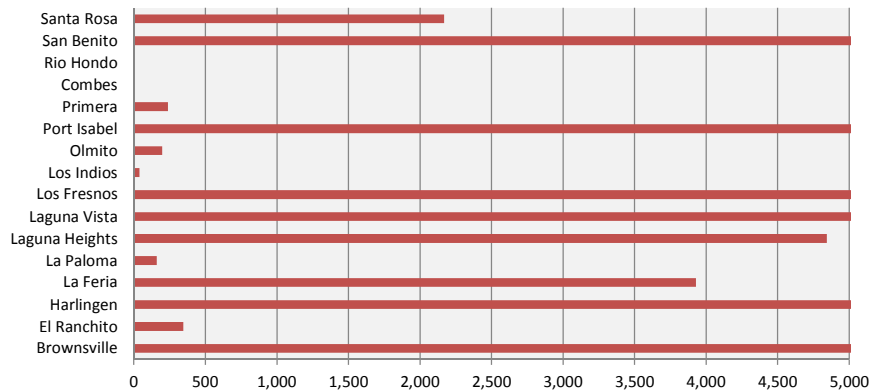
Hidalgo County by Cities



Cameron County

Brownsville	72,867
El Ranchito	345
Harlingen	60,508
La Feria	3,930
La Paloma	159
Laguna Heights	4,845
Laguna Vista	5,980
Los Fresnos	9,790
Los Indios	40
Olmito	199
Port Isabel	26,689
Primera	239
Combes	0
Rio Hondo	0
San Benito	13,664
Santa Rosa	2,168
Total	201,423

Cameron County by Cities



Willacy County

Total	5,154
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Starr County

Total	25,926
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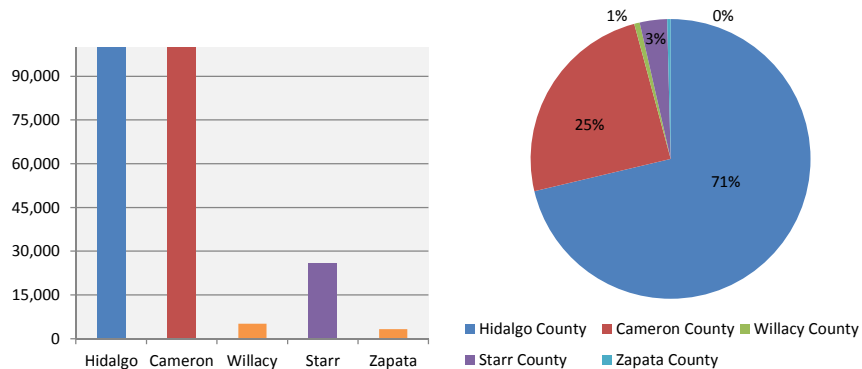
Zapata County

Total	3,298
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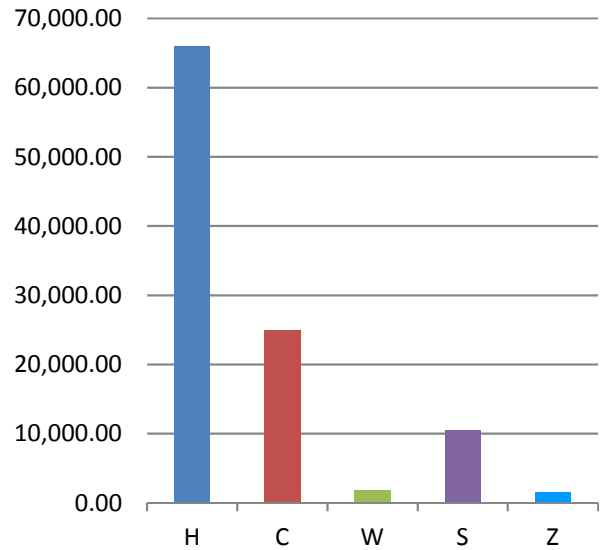
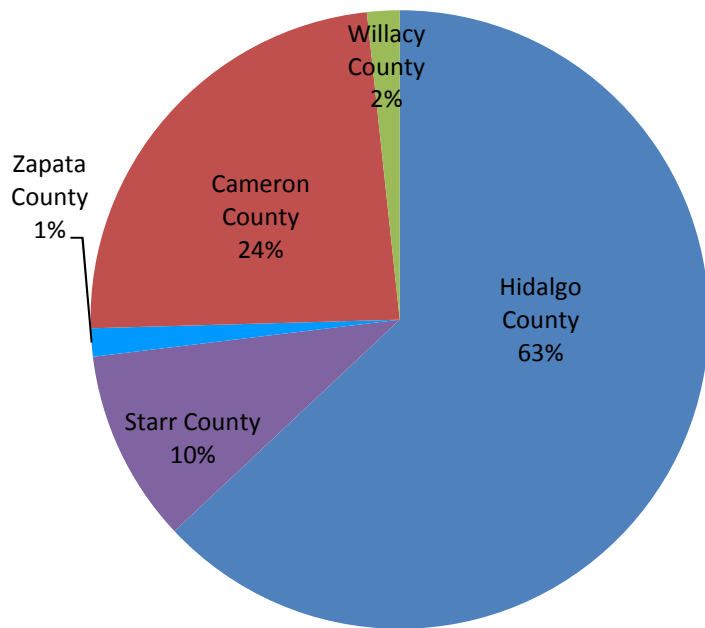
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Ridership by County

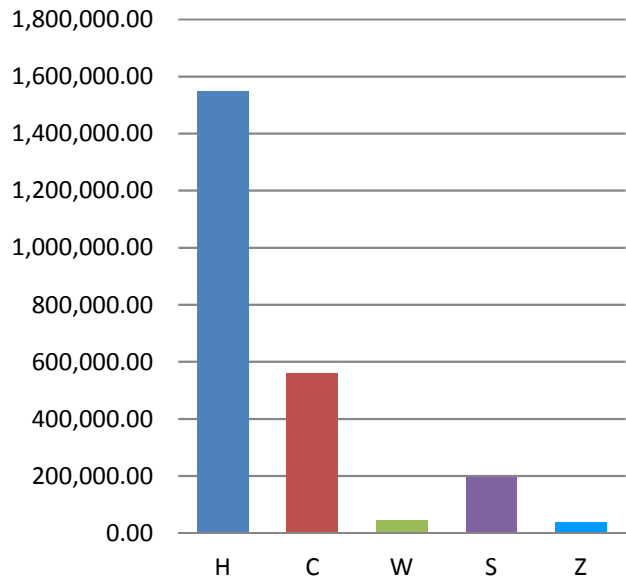
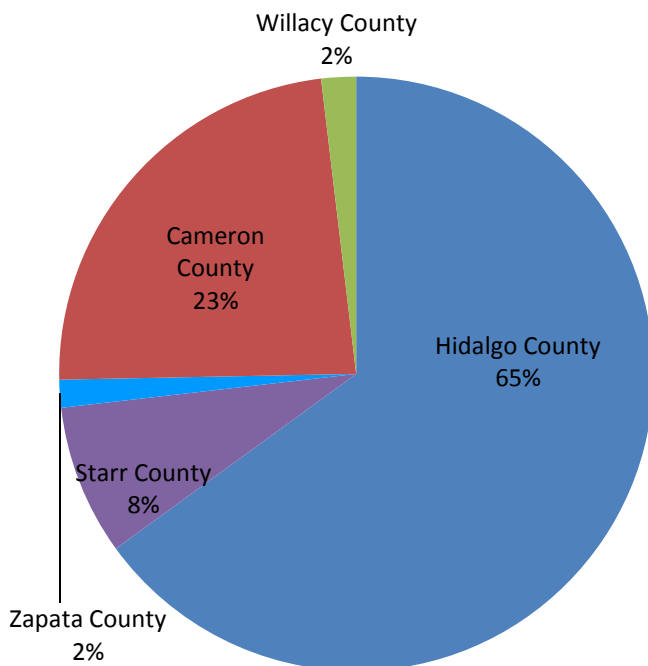


Distribution of Revenue Hours



Revenue Hours Provided	
Hidalgo County	65,928.91
Starr County	10,548.21
Zapata County	1,536.96
Cameron County	24,847.89
Willacy County	1,789.54
Total Revenue Hours	104,651.51

Distribution of Revenue Miles



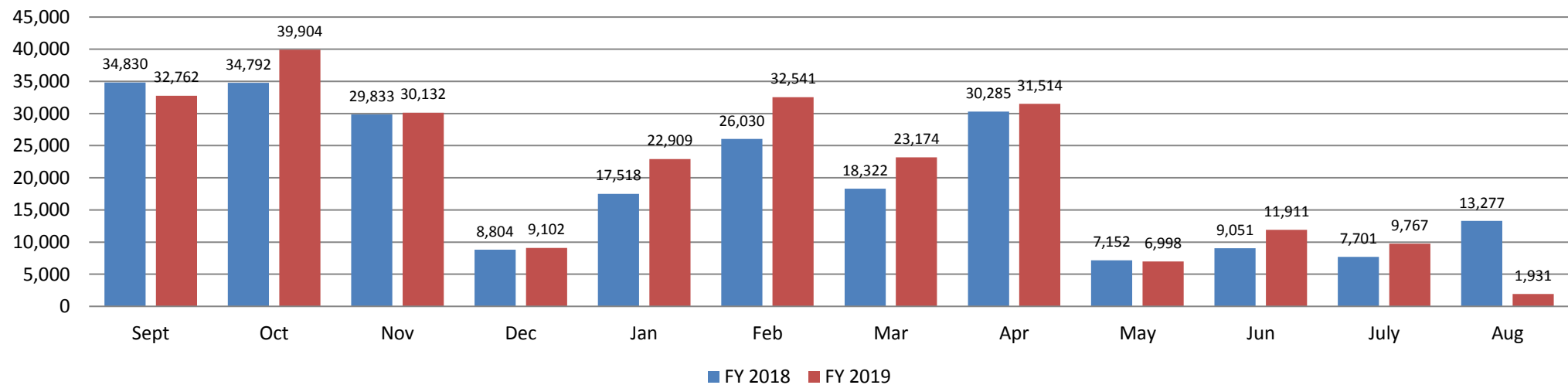
Revenue Miles Provided	
Hidalgo County	1,548,088
Starr County	194,757
Zapata County	35,943
Cameron County	557,798
Willacy County	45,296
Total Revenue Miles	2,381,882



**FY 2019 University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Valley Metro Routes
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	347	247	129	91	138	258	75	57	13	99	51	36	1,541
12	925	979	618	209	332	665	472	784	205	229	227	304	5,949
14	3,509	4,185	2,933	859	2,047	2,844	1,926	2,642	303	556	528	1,305	23,637
15	40	29	23	7	1	2	0	3	1	0	0	14	120
16	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
20	460	478	345	135	241	326	207	202	85	157	151	176	2,963
21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	15	13	6	10	6	15	7	11	5	0	0	10	98
31	55	32	14	3	11	31	8	1	0	0	5	1	161
32	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
40	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
41	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
45	527	346	247	117	209	318	252	0	97	22	51	80	2,266
50	18	34	25	23	42	39	35	33	11	8	19	4	291
Vaquero Express	26,864	33,561	25,790	7,648	19,878	28,042	20,191	27,781	6,278	10,840	8,732	0	215,605
Total	32,762	39,904	30,132	9,102	22,909	32,541	23,174	31,514	6,998	11,911	9,767	1,931	252,645
FY 2018	34,830	34,792	29,833	8,804	17,518	26,030	18,322	30,285	7,152	9,051	7,701	13,277	237,595
Change Over Previous Month	-2,068	5,112	299	298	5,391	6,511	4,852	1,229	-154	2,860	2,066	-11,346	15,050

2018 - 2019 Valley Metro Routes UTRGV Student Passenger Count





**South Texas College - FY 2019
Valley Metro Routes
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	20	62	0	0	0	1	1	5	2	0	2	0	93
12	105	218	254	143	261	110	99	86	68	17	14	62	1,437
14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3
15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	1	4	3	0	2	0	2	1	5	0	0	0	18
30	6	8	4	1	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	23
31	123	182	223	122	148	195	104	29	13	0	10	1	1,150
32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
41	1	1	5	0	14	12	1	5	7	9	17	19	91
42	3	0	1	0	0	3	0	5	0	0	3	0	15
44	0	3	1	0	3	9	0	4	0	0	1	0	21
45	0	1	0	0	0	1	6	19	1	1	1	10	40
60	833	886	694	284	348	727	535	764	358	263	204	284	6,180
61	56	85	101	51	81	89	52	77	62	37	14	11	716
62	28	78	99	48	49	90	53	96	71	49	8	19	688
DR-RGC	53	91	86	70	42	48	21	19	37	0	0	37	504
Purpleline	913	1,129	848	322	494	1,163	743	900	401	146	0	277	7,336
Greenline	2,913	3,436	2,632	1,075	1,189	2,366	1,740	2,416	644	557	366	461	19,795
Total	5,056	6,184	4,951	2,116	2,631	4,815	3,358	4,426	1,671	1,079	642	1,181	38,110
Non Valley Metro Routes													
Yellowline	3,247	4,582	2,918	1,152	1,219	2,669	3,369	2,450	1,149	282	229	769	24,035
Park & Ride	4,047	3,848	2,920	1,003	1,416	2,286	1,516	1,697	760	208	48	1,121	20,870
Total	7,294	8,430	5,838	2,155	2,635	4,955	4,885	4,147	1,909	490	277	1,890	44,905
Grand Total	12,350	14,614	10,789	4,271	5,266	9,770	8,243	8,573	3,580	1,569	919	3,071	83,015
Change Over Previous Month		2,264	-3,825	-6,518	995	4,504	-1,527	330	-4,993	-2,011	-650	2,152	



**South Texas College - Mid Valley JagExpress
STC Student Passenger Counts Comparison
FY 2019**

Direct Service

Routes	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Route 12 Ecouch/Elsa-Edinburg	1,437	5,949	6,658	14,044
Route 31 Business 83	1,150	161	74,530	75,841
Purple Line	7,336		201	7,537
Yellow Line	24,035		0	24,035
Green Line	19,795		2,188	21,983
Park & Ride	20,870		0	20,870
Route 60 Greenline Roma	6,180		1,878	8,058
Route 61 RGC West	716		3,205	3,921
Route 62 RGC East	688		5,049	5,737
DR-RGC	504		7,706	8,210
Vaquero Express		215,605	0	215,605
Total	82,711	221,715	101,415	405,841

Connecting Service

Routes	Connection	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Route 10 Edinburg - McAllen	12, 31	93	1,541	31,836	33,470
Route 14 UTRGV VABL	12	3	23,637	2,689	26,329
Route 15 Edinburg	12	0	120	9,778	9,898
Route 20 Mission - McAllen	31	18	2,963	32,517	35,498
Route 30 Pharr San Juan - Edinburg	31	23	98	16,310	16,431
Route 32 Donna International Bridge	31	0	2	6,342	6,344
Route 40 Harlingen Medical	31	0	3	15,840	15,843
Route 41 Harlingen Retail	31	91	4	17,930	18,025
Route 42 San Benito Harlingen	31	15	2	7,746	7,763
Route 44 La Feria/Santa Rosa/Primera	31	21	1	7,517	7,539
Route 45 Cameron Career Connection	31	40	2,266	49,285	51,591
Total		304	30,637	197,790	228,731

Total Service

	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Grand Total	83,015	252,352	299,205	634,572



2019 TSTC Valley Metro Routes Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	0	93	38	2	8	2	2	56	20	7	1	0	229
12	1	11	4	0	2	0	10	6	0	7	2	8	51
14	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
31	0	16	6	0	1	8	4	3	0	0	0	0	38
40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	0	0	0	0	40
41	25	117	86	33	35	69	25	104	24	38	17	35	608
42	49	77	64	19	101	90	28	0	38	32	21	42	561
43	0	0	6	4	0	0	0	87	0	0	0	0	97
44	171	201	176	35	98	78	69	333	41	20	12	31	1265
45	537	839	589	181	479	535	362	1	332	206	216	162	4439
50	0	3	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	17
Willacy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	783	1357	978	274	725	785	500	630	455	310	274	278	7349
Change Over Previous Month		574	-379	-704	451	60	-285	130	-175	-145	-36	4	-505

TSTC Student Ridership

