TAC Resources

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Created by Counties, for Counties

• Who we Are
  • TAC was formed in 1969, when Texas counties joined together to improve and promote the value of county government.

• Why we Do This
  • The services offered are designed to help county government work more efficiently so that you can deliver better value to local residents.
Legislative Support

- Help county officials connect with state officials in Austin and provide critical information to state leadership.
- Gather and analyze information on policy issues affecting county government.
- Distribute current developments through emailed newsletters and alerts.
TAC Core Legislative Group

Goals and Objectives

• Develop county official expert testimony.

• Create rapid response plans and solicit for quick feedback for proposed legislation.

• Cultivate relationships between legislators and county officials.

• Foster community outreach between county officials and the public.
Education and Training

• Provide wide variety of training opportunities.

• Events are designed and guided by county officials to target the needs of the county audience.

• Support the continuing education programs for organizations affiliated with TAC and enlists Texas’ major universities as education co-sponsors.
Communications Infrastructure

- County magazine and other print publications
- Online resources
- Listservs
- Public Information
- Email correspondence
- Social media
Legal Resources

• Toll-free legal hotline: 888-ASK-TAC4 (888-275-8224)

• Printed and online legal resources

• Legal guides on specific topics

• Assistance in researching issues to find statutes, regulations, opinions and court cases relevant to your county situation
Technology Tools & Resources

• TAC County Information Resource Agency (CIRA) Services
  • Website hosting and content management
  • Email service and support
  • Domain name registration and hosting
  • Epay program
TAC CIRA: Website Hosting and Content Management

• TAC CIRA provides counties with website hosting and content management services.

• Website options include:
  • Standard County Website Package
  • Premium County Website Package
TAC CIRA: Website Hosting and Content Management

**Standard**
- Annual website hosting included with standard template
- Content Management System (CMS) editor with unlimited photo galleries, calendar, and responsive design
- Content management for your county’s website is an optional service for a low annual fee.

**Premium**
- Customized template that is unique to your county
- Titanium CMS editor with option to add advanced modules.
Standard Website

Responsive design – How your county website will appear when viewed on a mobile device!

Updated template and layout for the standard website.
Premium Website

COUNTY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2018 FOR GOOD FRIDAY.
TAX ASSSESSOR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED 4/11/18 FOR TRAINING.

GRIMES COUNTY

Home  Government  Justice  Community  How Do I?

Elections
- Easily find everything you need to know about elections and Voter Registration in Grimes County.

Transparency
- Quickly view county budget and information for Grimes County.

Commissioners Court Videos
- Want to stay informed on what is going on in the county? You can now view recorded Commissioners Court Meetings!

Economic Development
- View information that may be of use to those working or doing business in Grimes County.

New Residents
- Recently moved? View information needed for new residents to Grimes County.

COUNTY COURT ASSISTANTS TRAINING CONFERENCE
APRIL 11-13, 2018
Premium Website

Welcome to Zavala County
The first permanent settlements occurred in the late 1860's. Zavala County was attached for judicial purposes to Uvalde, Maverick and Frio counties before it was separately organized. Zavala county was misspelled “Zavalla” when the county was created in 1858; the spelling error was not corrected by the Texas Legislature until 1929.

More about Zavala County
CIRA: Email Service and Support

Standard Rackspace Email
• 25GB storage
• Check email anywhere with webmail platform
• Ability to send/receive large attachments

Hosted Exchange via Rackspace
• 100 GB storage
• Check email anywhere with Outlook Web App
• Mobile sync (sync contacts, calendar, mail across multiple devices)
• Ability to send/receive large attachments.
CIRA: Domain Name Registration and Hosting

TAC CIRA provides domain name registration assistance and hosting as a free service.

Domains such as “co.coke.tx.us” are registered through the Texas Regional Hostmaster and TAC CIRA can facilitate this process for your county.
TAC CIRA: Epay Program

TAC CIRA Epay program features two qualified vendors: Forte and ACI Universal Payments. Epay program participation is free to all TAC CIRA members. Both vendors allow for the ability to process online payments for your county.

More info at www.cira.state.tx.us/Epay
Pool Coverage and Related Services

• Since 1974, counties have pooled their resources through TAC to save Texas taxpayers millions of dollars.

  • TAC Risk Management Pool
  • TAC Unemployment Compensation Group Account Fund
  • TAC Health and Employee Benefits Pool
Risk Management Pool
Provide counties with a stable, sustainable resource of protection against a variety of risks and liabilities.

Coverage Offered
- Auto Liability, Auto Physical Damage
- General Liability
- Law Enforcement Liability
- Property
- Crime
- Public Officials
- Cyber Liability
- Workers’ Compensation

Member Resources
- Risk management and control training
- Resource library catalog
- Safety Awards Program
- Driving Simulation Training
- Resistance Response Simulator Training
Unemployment Compensation Group Account Fund
A comprehensive unemployment compensation solution.

- Remove hassle of handling claims.
- Meet state requirements and deadlines.
- Work with the county to reduce claims exposures.
Health and Employee Benefits Pool
Provides employees with high quality benefits more easily and affordably.

**Coverage Offered**
- Employee Group Health and Dental Coverage
- Prescription Benefits
- Group Term Life
- Retiree Health Benefits

**Member Resources**
- Health and Benefits Services Consultants
- Healthy County, TAC’s Wellness Program
- Healthy County Wellness Consultants
- Healthy County e-Newsletter
Healthy County Programs and Resources

- Catapult
- Naturally Slim
- Medicine Match
- Healthy Byte
- Well onTarget
- Tobacco Cessation
- Airrosti
- BCBSTX Fitness Program
- Condition Mngmnt (BCC)
- Blue Access for Members
- 24-Hour Nurseline
- Weight Watchers
- Preventive Benefits

Healthy County

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SPRING into motion™

April 23 to June 8, 2018

Move and have fun while you virtually “visit” springtime events all over the world. Enjoy daily tips, healthy recipes, and interesting health articles along the way!

KEEP AMERICA active™

July 16 to August 26, 2018

With this coast-to-coast virtual road trip, stop at the country’s most amazing tourist hot spots as you record healthy habits. You’ll discover why each place tops everyone’s must-see list — with postcard-perfect images and bet-you-didn’t-know descriptions — as you build long lasting wellness.

WALKtober™

October 1 to November 11, 2018

With (finally!) cooler temperatures and beautiful colors, October is the perfect time to take a walk—or a hike! Walking is the perfect activity for any fitness level, so let’s make it a habit for all year ‘round!

If, for any reason, any details of the challenges change, we will communicate the updates to all employees.
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