



Texas Community Development Block Grant Program
Colonia Fund: Planning (CFP) Application
2019-2020

Aransas County
APPLICANT NAME

Aransas
COUNTY

CBCOG
REGION

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION		2. DATE SUBMITTED:	APPLICANT IDENTIFIER:
Application: <input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE:	STATE APPLICATION IDENTIFIER:
Pre-application: <input type="checkbox"/> Construction <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Construction			
		4. DATE REC'D by FEDERAL AGENCY:	FEDERAL IDENTIFIER:
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION:			
Legal Name: Aransas County		Organizational Unit: Local Government	
Address (City, County, State, and Zip Code) of applicant: Aransas County 2840 SH 35 N Rockport, TX 78382		Name/Title, Agency or Company, Address, Area Code, Telephone and Fax Numbers, and e-mail address of application preparer: Carlos Beceiro, AICP GrantWorks, Inc. 2201 Northland Dr. Austin, TX 78756 carlosb@grantworks.net/P: 512.420.0303x403/F: 888.441.1717	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): 74-6001998		6a. DUNS NUMBER: 098819790	
7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: <input type="checkbox"/> A. Municipal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. County		8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	
9. NAME OF FEDERAL / STATE AGENCY: Texas Department of Agriculture		10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: 14-228 Title: Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG)	
11. PROJECT TYPE: Mapping		11a. TYPE OF APPLICATION: Colonia Fund: Planning	
12. TARGET AREA(S) AFFECTED BY THE PROJECT: Oakdale/Hills Village colonia		13. APPLICANT'S FISCAL YEAR: Beginning Date: 1/1 Ending Date: 12/31	
14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS:		Representative: 30 Senate: 18 Congress: 27	
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
A. TxCDBG REQUEST:	_____ \$24,250.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes the preapplication / application was made available to the State Executive Order 12372 process for review on: Date: _____	
B. FEDERAL:	_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
C. STATE:	_____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program is not covered by E.O. 12372 -OR-	
D. APPLICANT:	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Program has not been selected by the State for review	
E. LOCAL:	_____		
F. OTHER:	_____		
G. TOTAL:	_____ \$24,250.00		
17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. If "Yes", attach an explanation. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT. THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE CERTIFICATIONS AND CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN INCLUDED IN THE PROCEDURES SECTION OF THE TxCDBG PROGRAM APPLICATION GUIDE IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.			
Typed Name of the Applicant's Authorized Representative: C.H. "Burt" Mills, Jr.		Title County Judge	Telephone Number +1 (361) 790-0100
		E-mail Address judge@aransascounty.org	
Signature of the Applicant's Authorized Representative:			Date

PROJECT APPROVAL INFORMATION

- | | Yes | No | N/A |
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| 1. Does the applicant levy the following tax revenues? | | | |
| Local Property (Ad Valorem) Tax: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Local Sales Tax Option | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 2. Will the assistance requested have any negative impact(s) or effect(s) on the environment? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Note: All funded applications will have to comply with Federal regulations regarding environment clearance before funds are released. | | | |
| 3. Based on available information, is the proposed project likely to require an archaeological assessment for any proposed site? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 4. Is the proposed site listed on the National Register of Historic Places? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 5. Is the project in a designated flood hazard area? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 6. Will the assistance requested cause the displacement of families, individuals, farms, or businesses? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 7. Has the applicant obtained a ratified, legally binding agreement, contingent upon award, between the applicant and the service provider that will operate the project for the continual operation of the improvements as proposed in the application? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Does the applicant or service provider currently hold the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) for the target area proposed in the application? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

ADDITIONAL CFP PROJECT APPROVAL INFORMATION

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| 9. Has the applicant chosen local staff designated to administer or work on the proposed project? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 10. Has the applicant previously applied for TxCDBG Planning funds? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Was a grant awarded? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| TxCDBG Contract Number(s): | | | |
| 723005 | | | |

FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT (FFATA) Questions

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|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 1. Has the applicant, in the preceding fiscal year received 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues in Federal awards? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 2. Has the applicant, in the preceding fiscal year received \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal awards? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| 3. Does the public have access to this information about compensation about the compensation of the senior executives of the applicant through periodic reports? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT

LIST OF ALL IDENTIFIED COMMUNITY NEEDS / PROBLEMS

1. First-time water and sewer
2. Streets and Drainage improvements
3. Housing rehabilitation/reconstruction
4. Mapping

COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE:

Describe the jurisdiction's current supply of affordable housing (Public Housing, Section 8 assisted, RHS assisted, HOME program assisted, TDHCA assisted, Local Housing Development Corp. assisted, etc.).

Three USDA/LIHTC subsidized affordable apartment complexes (Linden Oaks, Sea Mist Townhouses, and Saltgrass Landing Apartments) and two USDA subsidized affordable apartment complexes (Bay of Aransas Gardens and Windwood Apartments) exist in the County for a total of 240 affordable housing units for low-income residents of the county.

Describe the applicant's past efforts to increase the supply of affordable housing.

The County has applied to the HOME program and received awards to rehabilitate or replace three houses for low-income resident of the county in the past.

Describe any future efforts that the applicant plans to undertake to increase the supply of affordable housing.

The County will consider applying to the HOME program again in the future.

Describe any instances where the applicant has applied for affordable housing funds and did not receive the funding.

None.

Describe any instances, within the past five years, where the applicant has not accepted funds for affordable housing.

None

Describe the applicant's efforts, within the past three years, to provide infrastructure improvements through the issuance of general obligation or revenue bonds.

Although the County issued two general obligation bonds in 2016 for a total of \$7,385,000, they were not issued to provide infrastructure improvements.

FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES

Any locality receiving TxCDBG monies must certify that it will affirmatively further fair housing choice. Using the below table, please identify the activities presently undertaken to affirmatively further fair housing choice and which new activities will be undertaken if an award is made by TxCDBG. Localities should be aware that, in the event of funding, these fair housing efforts will be monitored. Other activities may be eligible, and the applicant should contact Department to determine eligibility.

Activity(ies)	Undertaken	To be Undertaken	+	X
ESTABLISHING A LOCAL COMPLAINT AND MONITORING PROCESS				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Designating a Fair Housing Month; ADOPTING AND DISTRIBUTING FAIR HOUSING PRACTICES.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION DETERMINED THE NEEDS IN THIS APPLICATION BY:

Did the applicant provide reasonable advance notice for citizen participation?

Yes No

List all opportunities where citizens, especially low-to-moderate income citizens of the target area, were given to participate in the determination of these needs:

Assessment Type: Public Hearing

Assessment Date: 8/21/2019

Title of Report/Study:

N/A

Describe "Other":

N/A

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEED(S) ADDRESSED IN THIS APPLICATION

Provide a brief description of the needs addressed in this application. Identify the service(s) / problem(s) being addressed. Describe the problem(s) in terms of deficiencies.

Aransas County will address the need for detailed planning for water, sewer, street, drainage, and housing improvements in the low-income, unincorporated colonia of Oakdale/Hills Village. This colonia is served water by the City of Rockport but relies on private septic systems for sewer. County lacks the detailed mapping, inventory, and analysis of existing housing and infrastructure that it needs to create a plan for the provision of future facilities and the creation of policy guidelines to benefit the areas' residents.

DESCRIPTION OF PLANNING ACTIVITIES

Proposed Activity:

Water-Related

Local Problem:

Some houses may lack public water and may rely on shallow and/or shared private wells, with dense housing development and multiple housing units on some of the developed lots.

Describe each proposed activity and show what performances are proposed under that activity. Also describe how the proposed activity will: 1) solve the problems 2) provide for needs 3) suggest an implementable strategy. Then describe for each activity what resources your city or county will draw upon to finance the strategy.

County will work with local utility service provider to plan and secure financing for water system improvements to provide first-time public service where needed using CDBG, TWDB-EDAP, and/or USDA funding. Precisely map locations of all structures requiring water service and determine household and area eligibility for various funding programs, identify public ROW and easements, identify private water wells where they may exist (technically "housing activity" under CDBG), analyze demand, develop, map, and recommend system configurations, and provide estimated budgets for improvements. Financing could include CDBG, TWDB-EDAP, USDA, or similar programs.

Proposed Activity:

Wastewater-Related

Local Problem:

Lack of public sewer; failing and substandard on-site facilities, with dense residential development and multiple housing units on some of the developed lots.

Describe each proposed activity and show what performances are proposed under that activity. Also describe how the proposed activity will: 1) solve the problems 2) provide for needs 3) suggest an implementable strategy. Then describe for each activity what resources your city or county will draw upon to finance the strategy.

County will assess need for public wastewater service to replace failing and substandard on-site facilities and provide centralized treatment of wastewater. This will alleviate localized pollution of area ditches and yards. The County will explore options for collection and treatment that is cost-effective. The County will explore TxCDBG, TWDB/EDAP, USDA and other potential funding sources.

Proposed Activity:

Streets / Roads-Related

Local Problem:

Some pavement surfaces rutted and deteriorated, causing dusty conditions; signage may be inadequate; streets may not properly drain.

Describe each proposed activity and show what performances are proposed under that activity. Also describe how the proposed activity will: 1) solve the problems 2) provide for needs 3) suggest an implementable strategy. Then describe for each activity what resources your city or county will draw upon to finance the strategy.

County will plan for necessary improvements to surface materials and rebuild streets where base materials have failed in the target area. Curb and gutter will be considered, as will any traffic safety and control measures including signage, speed limits, re-routing, roadway markings, etc. Map and analyze the conditions of streets within the colonia area to assess general and specific needs for improvements, causes of degradation, and cost effective means for improving and preserving the roadway system. Specific street improvement projects will be developed and recommended. Provide budget estimates for street improvements in the area. Inventory and analyze traffic access and flow in the area to determine if modifications to signage, routing and control features are needed.

Proposed Activity:

Drainage-Related

Local Problem:

Localized drainage problems and flooding, particularly on roadways.

Describe each proposed activity and show what performances are proposed under that activity. Also describe how the proposed activity will: 1) solve the problems 2) provide for needs 3) suggest an implementable strategy. Then describe for each activity what resources your city or county will draw upon to finance the strategy.

County will examine and evaluate drainage patterns in the area and propose possible solutions to flooding that occurs in some locations. Modification or creation of drainage channels and structures are likely results, using County, FEMA Hazard Mitigation, or TWDB funding. May require engineering analysis as well as planning fieldwork and mapping. Overlay contour/elevation and floodplain information onto aerial photography to specifically identify homes and infrastructure susceptible to flooding, perform analysis of drainage patterns across the target area, propose and map specific improvements to existing drainage facilities and new facilities where required to reduce flooding and other drainage problems, prepare estimated budgets for improvements. Activities likely financed using local, FEMA Hazard Mitigation, or TWDB Flood Protection Program resources.

Proposed Activity:

Housing-Related

Local Problem:

Based on 2005 survey, 38.4% of housing units are in deteriorated or dilapidated conditions and need reconstruction, major rehabilitation, or moderate rehabilitation. Multiple units exist on some lots. Junk piles and rubbish heaps in some locations. Dangerous abandoned structures exist in the colonia areas. 34.9% of units are manufactured homes.

Describe each proposed activity and show what performances are proposed under that activity. Also describe how the proposed activity will: 1) solve the problems 2) provide for needs 3) suggest an implementable strategy. Then describe for each activity what resources your city or county will draw upon to finance the strategy.

County will continue efforts to replace and rehabilitate substandard single family housing units in the target area using CDBG and HOME funding, local Habitat for Humanity contributions, and other programs in conjunction with the Community Action Corporation of South Texas and other local housing service providers. An accurate and detailed accounting of precise housing locations, conditions, and needs will be compiled. Provide additional housing information for target area including mapping of precise locations within area and on lot and incorporating type and condition detail information from Comprehensive Plan. Compile valuations, ownership/rental status, persons per unit, income of residents, size, foundation type, plumbing facilities, available utility services and providers, location and type of on-site sewage facility or private water well, location within floodplain, and other related factors for each individual housing unit, to be used in housing assistance program development and potentially in community surveys required by other funding programs. Review County's subdivision regulations to assess impact on housing and development within the colonia area. Provide 911 addresses on maps (used in housing, OSSF replacement, and other CDBG activities). Funding programs including state HOME, CDBG, other TDHCA, USDA, local PHA and Habitat for Humanity are financial sources to improve housing within the areas.

Proposed Activity:

Mapping

Local Problem:

Mapping conducted for Colonia Comprehensive Plan did not have aerial and digital CAD data sources; need to improve land division maps, precisely locate homes on their proper lots; mapping of water distribution and proposed sewer collection system configurations.

Describe each proposed activity and show what performances are proposed under that activity. Also describe how the proposed activity will: 1) solve the problems 2) provide for needs 3) suggest an implementable strategy. Then describe for each activity what resources your city or county will draw upon to finance the strategy.

Mapping of the colonias will be backed by digital orthographic quadrangle information (digital aerial photography) and spatially referenced ("geo-rectified") so they can easily be used by any GIS or CAD software and incorporated into any other mapping files by third parties that are also geo-rectified. Detail missing from current base mapping including precise locations of housing units upon their lots will be included. Updated digital lot line and other land division information from the Appraisal District will be incorporated as well, along with 911 addressing information for each lot (used by County for OSSF installation and housing rehabilitation programs). Maps will be useful for included studies to bring improved and expanded services to the areas.

JUSTIFICATION FOR TARGET AREA

N/A:

1. Why is it necessary or advantageous to limit planning to the target area?

The colonia area proposed for study in this plan (Oakdale/Hills Village) is served water by the City of Rockport but is not on public sewer. The proximity of this area to the City of Rockport, the small lot sizes in some cases, and the fact that they are already served water are the reasons that the County wishes to study this colonia in detail, specifically for the future provision of public sewer to the colonia.

2. What conditions are present in this area that distinguish it from other parts of the jurisdiction?

The main distinctions between this colonia and others in Aransas County is the proximity of the colonia to an existing sewer system, the low income of the residents there, and the fact that this area is currently completely reliant on private septic systems.

3. Are there other areas of the jurisdiction that have similar conditions?

Yes: No:

Explain:

The Market Street/Peninsula Oaks colonia, just south of Oakdale/Hills Village, is in a similar situation but is further away from the City of Rockport sewer system than Oakdale/Hills Village.

4. If the problems of this target area are resolved, what other problems will still remain to be addressed?

If this area is served public sewer, there may still be other problems in the colonia that need to be addressed such as poor quality housing and living conditions and problems with drainage and flooding.

5. Community wide activities such as: economic studies, ordinances, etc., that are proposed for target area planning, but cannot be separated from total community planning must be justified on how the activity will be developed in a planning document and still maintain a separation between the target area and community wide planning in compliance with the 51 percent threshold requirements.

Activities proposed in the Colonia Area Plan for the colonia will be strictly to improve conditions in the colonia in the areas of water, sewer, streets, drainage, and housing. All proposed activities will be construction activities to occur within the specific colonia, and as such no activities will be proposed that benefit other colonias in the County.

6. How does the applicant propose to accomplish planning for the rest of the jurisdiction and on what schedule? (Remember that HUD considers the effort proposed in this application to be a separate one from any that would be accomplished at an areawide level. Any planning activities and reports to be generated must be oriented to benefit the area which qualified as being of primarily low and moderate income residents).

The County will likely revise its 2005 Colonia Rankings list as conditions are improved in different colonias over time, making colonias that were once lower in priority higher in priority in the ranking list. Over time, the County hopes to address all problems in their colonia areas, and to bring all colonia residents to a higher standard of living. Each colonia fund application opportunity affords the County another chance to receive assistance to get more and more of this work accomplished.

Beneficiary Data Complete a separate form for each activity or colonia target area.

Identify the target area for this project. Only one form is needed if the same target area, beneficiaries, and national objective apply. If any of these are different, add a new form. Refer to the Application Guide for instructions.

Colonia Name: Oakdale/Hills Village

Date of Existence as a Colonia: November 30, 1955

Proposed Activity	Total Beneficiaries	LMI Beneficiaries	LMI %
Water-Related	137	87	63.50%
Wastewater-Related	137	87	63.50%
Streets / Roads-Related	137	87	63.50%
Drainage-Related	137	87	63.50%
Housing-Related	137	87	63.50%
Mapping	137	87	63.50%
ACTIVITY TOTALS:			63.50%

REQUIRED - Census Geographic Area Data

Identify all census tracts and block group(s) in which the project will take place. This information is required for all projects regardless of National Program Objective or Beneficiary Identification Method.

Census Tract (6-digit)	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	County Code
9503.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	007

This activity benefits a target colonia area.

This activity benefits all colonia areas in the County.

Beneficiary Identification Method(s)

An approved TxDBG survey was used to identify the beneficiaries for this activity.

How many families that were surveyed will be assisted by this activity? 47 How many housing units that were surveyed will be assisted by this activity? 57

When was the survey started? Aug 29, 2019 When was the survey completed? Sep 12, 2019

Provide a detailed explanation of the reason a survey was used to identify the beneficiaries for this activity as opposed to using the 2010 Census information. A response such as "...to reach the required low-and-moderate income percentage" is not acceptable.

The Oakdale/Hills Village colonia exists in a block group that has many residents and so its population did not comprise at least 60% of the block group's population. For this reason the only viable method to determine the colonia's LMI percentage was to perform an income survey.

Census information was used to identify the beneficiaries for this activity.

The required Census or Texas State Data Center map has been provided if required.

Provide the number of beneficiaries identified through each of the following methods for this activity:

TxDBG Survey: 137 2010 Census: 0 Area Benefit: 0 Housing Activity: 0 Limited Clientele: 0

Provide the number of housing units identified through each of the following methods for this activity:

TxDBG Survey: 57 2010 Census: 0 Housing Activity: 0 Limited Clientele: 0

BENEFICIARY DATA SUMMARY

Total Benes	137	Total LMI Benes	87	Total LMI %	63.50%
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TOTALS:

Total number of housing units identified using:					
TXCDBG Survey:	57	2010 Census:	0		0
Housing Activity:	0	Limited Clientele:	0		0

BENEFIT TO LOW AND MODERATE INCOME PERSONS

Planning Element	Completion Method	Ttl Benes	LMI Benes	% LMI Benes	TxCDBG Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
Certifications, Presentations, Reports & Publications	1	137	87	.6350	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
Water-Related	1	137	87	.6350	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Wastewater - Related	1	137	87	.6350	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Streets / Roads - Related	1	137	87	.6350	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
Drainage - Related	1	137	87	.6350	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Housing-Related	1	137	87	.6350	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Mapping	1	137	87	.6350	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
		137	87		\$24,250.00	\$0.00	\$24,250.00

TxCDBG Cost Per Beneficiary: \$177.01

TxCDBG Cost Per LMI Beneficiary: \$278.74

Disclose source(s) and use(s) of non-TxCDBG funds:

Source of Funds	Amount	Use of Funds
N/A	\$0.00	N/A

Are there any persons with a reportable financial interest to disclose?

Yes No

Name	Amount	Use of Funds	SAM Clearance
GrantWorks, Inc.	\$24,250.00	Colonia Area Plan creation	8/1/19

NATIONAL PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

1. Activities benefiting low-to-moderate income persons.

Method(s) used to determine the beneficiaries:

LMI Area Benefit: LMI Housing Activity: LMI Limited Clientele: LMI Jobs:

2. Prevention/ Elimination of Slums or Blight.

3. Urgent Needs

Justification of Beneficiary Identification Method:

Beneficiaries receive area benefit if they reside in the colonia area.

ANTICIPATED OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES

ACTIVITY	ANTICIPATED OBJECTIVE	ANTICIPATED OUTCOME
Waste ^{WATER}	1. Create suitable living environment	1. Availability / Accessibility
Wastewater	1. Create suitable living environment	1. Availability / Accessibility
Streets/Roads	1. Create suitable living environment	1. Availability / Accessibility
Drainage	1. Create suitable living environment	1. Availability / Accessibility
Housing	1. Create suitable living environment	1. Availability / Accessibility
Mapping	1. Create suitable living environment	1. Availability / Accessibility

ANTICIPATED OUTCOME UNITS

Infrastructure / Public Facilities Improvement Project?

Services?

Planning Activity?

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY INFORMATION

One-for-One Replacement

Special Assessment

Float Funded Activity

Revolving Fund

Favored Activity

Historic Preservation Area

Brownfield Activity

Colonia

Displacement

Presidentially Declared Disaster Area

Activity involves rental housing

Activity includes multi-unit housing

COMMUNITY BASE QUESTIONNAIRE

Complete all questions. If inapplicable, answer N/A. Blank spaces are considered to be a response.

1. Staff Capacity

- a. Is the chief administrator full-time? Yes: No: N/A:
- b. Does applicant have a full-time planner? Yes: No: N/A:
 or, a part-time planner? Yes: No: N/A:
- c. Does the applicant have a planner on retainer? Yes: No: N/A:

Name of firm or individual: GrantWorks, Inc.

- d. Indicate the local staff person who is familiar with the application's contents and who will be responsible for coordinating the development of the planning process and reports.

Name: Title:
 Phone: Fax:

- e. Describe the local staff person's planning experience.

Linda provides support for the Judge and Court functions of the county including administration and planning.

2. Federal and Other Funding

- a. List all the Foundation, Federal, and State or other Grant and/ or Loan Funds applied for in the last three (3) years. Complete the information on each and indicate if the request is still pending.

Program Name & Agency Applied To:	Date Apprvd	Date Not Apprvd	Pending (Y/N)	Application Amt
N/A	N/A	N/A	No	\$0.00

- b. Briefly describe each activity, the dollar amount and status or level of implementation in each of the programs listed in 2a that were funded.

- c. Does the applicant have any unresolved audit or compliance findings related to any TxCDBG project?

Yes: No:

3. Within the space below, list some indications of the locality's likelihood to stay directly involved in the planning process and to implement the planning proposed in this application.

COLONIA PLANNING FUND QUESTIONNAIRE

Complete all questions. If inapplicable, answer N/A. Blank spaces are considered to be a response.

1. Previous Effort

Colonia Area Planning Fund Applicants must include a legible map showing the location of each colonia proposed to benefit from the application activities and provide the information requested in the following table for each colonia

Name of Colonia:	Oakdale/Hills Village
Age in Years:	64 years (est. in 1955)
Estimated Population:	137
Source (Census or Survey):	Survey
Low/Mod Income Percent:	63.50%

- a. Does the applicant have and enforce subdivision regulations that meet the requirements of the Model Rules, as a minimum? Yes: No: N/A:
- b. Does water service exist in any portion of the colonia area(s)? Yes: No: N/A:
- c. Does sewer service exist in any portion of the colonia area(s)? Yes: No: N/A:

If **Yes** to "b" or "c" above, explain and show on a map as well.
The colonia area is served water by the City of Rockport.

- d. Is the applicant eligible for funding from the TWDB EDAP? Yes: No: N/A:
- e. Has an application for EDAP funds been filed? Yes: No: N/A:
- f. Have areas proposed for study been the subject of previous planning? Yes: No: N/A:
- g. Do the activities proposed in the application duplicate previously prepared planning reports/ activities or reports/ activities currently being accomplished? Yes: No: N/A:

Provide a letter from the regional planning organization with the application attesting to the non-duplication of the proposed project. This must be submitted with the application by the application deadline.

- h. If **Yes**, to "f" or "g" above, please explain:
The colonia area in Aransas County was the subject of previous planning during the preparation of the Aransas County Colonia Comprehensive Plan (CDBG #723005).
- i. Has the area proposed for study been mapped previously? Yes: No: N/A:

2. Proposed Effort

For contract purposes, please provide concise, accurate information regarding the following:

- a. Summarize the problem(s) proposed to be addressed in this application.

Houses in Oakdale/Hills Village lack sewer service. There may also be some homes that lack water service. The colonia has substandard and failing septic systems in some cases, leading to ground and environmental contamination. The colonia also has some flooding and drainage problems, contains substandard housing units, some abandoned dilapidated structures, and relies in some cases upon inadequate, undersized, or deteriorated roadways. Mapping created through the Colonia Comprehensive Plan, while sufficient for inventory purposes, is not detailed enough to develop infrastructure projects, create realistic budgets (similar to a Table 2) for improvements, or develop targeted housing assistance programs.

- b. Indicate the problem(s) locations and age.

This colonia is adjacent to Rockport city limits and exists just outside the city on its southwest side. The colonia is around 64 years old. The Oakdale/Hills Village colonia was platted in 1955.

c. Indicate what has been done previously to improve conditions in the colonia(s) that will benefit from the planning activities included in this application.

The County's colonia areas have been improved by the County through various funding mechanisms which have paved streets, improved drainage, rehabilitated housing, and extended water and sewer lines for first-time service.

d. Summarize what is proposed to be accomplished with planning funds for the colonia(s) that will benefit from the planning activities included in this application.

Plans will be developed for water, sewer, streets, drainage, and housing that include mapping, cost estimates, and financing. Improved base mapping will incorporate detailed data from the CAD and digital orthographic quadrangle data from TNRIS, and incorporate additional field data collected for housing, drainage, and other elements. Housing element will include precise mapping of all structures and 911 address references on maps.

e. Indicate how long the proposed planning project will take.

18-24 months

f. How much money is being requested and why? (Submit a detailed cost justification).

\$24,250 based upon the Colonia Planning Matrix in the 2019-2020 Guide.

COLONIA IDENTIFICATION

A. Colonia Identification:

Colonia Name	Colonia ID (M-Number)	County	# of Homes
Oakdale/Hills Village	M0040005	Aransas	57

Identify all other names by which this colonia is known:

1. N/A

This colonia is located: Within 150 miles of the US - Mexico Border Within 100 km of the US - Mexico Border

Did all the colonias proposed to receive a benefit exist before November 28, 1990? Yes: No:

Supporting Documentation for existence prior to 1990:

The Oakdale subdivision was platted and its plat was recorded with Aransas County on December 13, 1957. The Hills Village subdivision was platted and its plat was recorded with the County on November 30, 1955.

This area was identified as a Colonia based on:

- Lack of Potable Water
- Lack of Adequate Sewage System

Describe the extent of the need for an adequate sewage system:

This colonia is not on a public sewer system although it is served water. Houses are close together and dense and most parcels are under a half acre (median lot size is 0.2 acres), the minimum area that TCEQ requires for an adequate septic drainage field. Contamination of the soil has likely occurred as a result, creating an unsanitary environment for the residents.

- Lack of Decent, Safe, and Sanitary Housing

Describe the extent of the need for decent, safe, and sanitary housing:

The Oakdale/Hills Village colonia was studied in the Aransas County Colonia Comprehensive Plan from 2005. At that time, over a third of the housing units (38.4%) were found to be in deteriorated or dilapidated conditions. In addition, 34.9% of housing at that time was manufactured housing.

Has the Colonia Initiative Program of the Secretary of State designated a color-classification to this colonia? Yes: No:

Continue completing the remaining COLONIA IDENTIFICATION section of the application. Upon completion, self-color-classify this colonia based on the below classification types.

Color-Classification Type	Description
RED	Colonias that lacked platting, water and or wastewater were identified as distressed areas with the highest health risk.
YELLOW	Colonias with existing water services, either through functional water wells or through connections to a water system, or had wastewater disposal availability through functional septic tanks or connections to an existing system but lacked adequate road paving, drainage or solid waste disposal system were in the intermediate category of health risk.
GREEN	Colonias with all of the services identified above--water, wastewater, road paving, drainage systems and solid waste disposal.

Current Color-Classification: Yellow If awarded, Color-Classification after project completion: Yellow

B. Water Supply:

Check each choice that applies to this colonia:

This colonia has a public water system.

Who is the service provider (CCN)?

City of Rockport (CCN #10565)

The current water is supplied from privately owned wells.

Water is hauled by residents

Other

No Water Problems

No Water Available

Poor Quality

Poor Pressure

Insufficient Quantity

Other

Identify the closest water provider, if known (CCN):

City of Rockport (CCN #10565)

Comments:

N/A

C. Wastewater:

Check each choice that applies to this colonia:

This colonia has a public wastewater system.

Identify provider (CCN):

N/A

This colonia contains private septic tanks.

Other

Check each choice that identifies wastewater problems:

No system

Cesspool

Failing Septic Tank

Pit Privy

Discharge into drainage ditch

Comments:

This colonia is not on a public sewer system although it is served public water. Houses are close together and dense and most parcels are under a half acre (median lot size is 0.2 acres), the minimum area that TCEQ requires for an adequate septic drainage field. Contamination of the soil has likely occurred as a result, creating an unsanitary environment for the residents.

D. Streets and Drainage:

Check each choice that applies to this colonia:

Unimproved Dirt/Caliche

Improved Dirt/Caliche

Seal Coat

HMAC

Curb & Gutter

Other

All weather access for all homes?

Yes:

No:

Partial:

Located in floodplain?

Yes:

No:

Partial:

Emergency vehicle and school bus access?

Yes:

No:

Partial:

Does colonia flood during rainfall?

Yes:

No:

Partial:

Are access roads from colonia to public roads paved?

Yes:

No:

Partial:

Check each choice that applies to this colonia:

None

Bar Ditch

Drainage Ditch

Culverts

E. Solid Waste Disposal

Is a trash collection system available in the colonia?

Yes:

No:

Partial:

F. Status of Colonia:

Mapped or platted? Yes: No:
 Date Mapped: 2005. Date Platted: November 1955
 Plat recorded with county? Yes: No: Date Plat Recorded? Nov. 30, 1955
 County Plat Volume Number: 2 County Plat Page Number: 38
 Number of Lots: 163 Number of Occupied Lots: 103
 Number of Occupied Lots w/ Public Water Supply: 103
 Number of Occupied Lots w/ Potable Water Wells: 0
 Number of Occupied Lots w/ Sewer Service: 0
 Number of Occupied Lots w/ Septic: 103
 Number of Non-Sewered Lots Suitable for Septic Service: 24

G. Access to, and information about, Health

Is it a health professional shortage area? Yes: No:
 Is there access to a Texas A&M Community Resource Center, a clinic, mobile clinic or transportation to a clinic available? Yes: No:
 Are promotoras or a comparable outreach program available in the area? Yes: No: Partial:

H. Financial Availability

List the federal and/or state agencies, non-profit organizations and other entities that are currently servicing the colonia and the type of project/service they are/will be providing.

Name of Agency Type of Project Service to be/being provided

1	Community Action Corporation of South Texas offers rent assistance, weatherization assistance, and other help.	+	X
2	The Rural Economic Assistance League provides housing, home health care, transportation, and adult day care.	+	X
3	TDA's TxCDBG programs offer help in the form of infrastructure and planning assistance.	+	X
4	USDA Rural Development provides housing assistance to qualifying individuals in colonia areas.	+	X