



Williamson County and Cities Health District

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Dear Mayor Schroeder:

The cities of Cedar Park, Georgetown, Round Rock, and Taylor, along with Williamson County have been members of the public health district since it was established in 1989. The cities of Liberty Hill and Hutto joined the District in October 2007 and Leander in October 2013. The public health district is authorized by Chapter 121 of the Texas Health and Safety Code. Chapter 121 requires that the organization of the public health district and the rights and responsibilities of member governments be stated in a Cooperative Agreement. The Cooperative Agreement for the Williamson County and Cities Health District was last amended, restated and approved by member governments effective July 20, 2021.

Health District funding is derived from contributions from the member governments, Texas Department of State Health Services contracts, client fees, Medicaid reimbursements, and other grants, contracts, and contributions. The Health District's fiscal year is January-December with an FY 2022 operating budget of \$11,495,162. Our operating budget includes County Indigent Health Care funding.

The Cooperative Agreement states that the Board of Health will request from member cities per capita funding each year (October 1 - September 30) based on the U.S. Census Bureau's most recent annual estimate of population. This estimate is dated July 1, 2021, and can be found at <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/table/PST045216/48491>.

At its March 9, 2022, meeting, the Board of Health approved the same per capita rate for FY2023, as for the prior year. Should the results of WCCHD's scope of services evaluation require an adjustment of this per capita rate and be approved by the Board of Health this Fall, WCCHD will provide an updated requested rate to Member Cities at that time.

This currently requested rate has remained the same for eight fiscal years. The Census Bureau's July 1, 2021, population estimate for Georgetown is 75,420. Therefore, at \$2.35 per capita, the request from Georgetown for FY2022 is \$177,237.00.

As always, WCCHD will continue to aggressively seek out and maximize funding from grants and other funding streams for FY2023 and the future as we work to promote and protect the health of the residents of all of Williamson County. As the 13th largest county in Texas and with two of our Member Cities as the fastest growing cities in the nation, we anticipate that the demand for population-based public health services will also continue to increase. I am available if you, the Council, or staff need any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Caroline Hilbert".

Caroline Hilbert, MD, MPH
WCCHD Executive Director

Cc: David Morgan, Georgetown City Manager
David Morgan, Board Member
Kathy Pierce, Board Chair
Cindy Botts, Executive Assistant