

Joint Projects with Other Entities

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (P&DS)

1. **HOA Outreach** – Neighborhood Services, as a division of P&DS, was established to build relationships with and strengthen College Station neighborhoods. In the spirit of collaboration, two Neighborhood Conferences have been held, each drawing great attendance and response from citizens.
2. **Seminar Suppers** – As a means of generating regular contact with HOA and Neighborhood Association leaders, these monthly meetings serve as a social and educational outreach function to maintain and identify collaboration opportunities as they arise.**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**
3. **Small Business Development Corporation (SBDC)** - The City of College Station jointly funds and assists with training programs with the SBDC which is funded through the Research Valley Partnership.
4. **Joint Funding of Live from Northgate** - The City of College Station approached the Northgate District Association (NDA) to jointly fund a syndicated live music series. The NDA did not participate in funding the project. The City has re-initiated discussions for a new live music series.

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5. **Various Purchasing Agreement** – The City of College Station has interlocal agreements for joint purchasing activities with the following cooperative programs:
 - Texas building & Procurement Commission (State Contract, Department of Information Resources, TxMAS, CISV)
 - Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC)
 - Texas Association of School Boards (BuyBoard)
6. **George Bush Presidential Library** – Joint marketing efforts between the City and the Library include 41 @80 celebration, exchange of photographs, “Locomotives on Parade” exhibit, City of College Station annual holiday party and promotional items for Easter Egg Hunt hosted by the Library and the College Station Police Department.
7. **Blinn Community College** – The City is partnering with Blinn on a proposal for a grant to provide vocational training programs. The City has pledged use of facilities, guest instructors, and possibly internship/apprenticeship opportunities.
8. **Joint Purchasing Activities** - The City of College Station has interlocal agreements for joint purchasing activities with the following agencies; TAMU, City of Bryan, Brazos County, Burleson County, BVCOG, College Station ISD, Brazos 911 and Texas Forest Service. Successful joint purchases with Brazos have included health insurance and fuel.
9. **Brazos County Appraisal District (BCAD)** – The City supplies the BCAD with the lists of utility customer addresses to help them update addresses for tax mail outs. BCAD supplies parcel data to the City which is used in the GIS and Land Management systems.