



Texas Healthy Communities 2019 Awardees



Harris County, Hidalgo County, City of Houston, McLennan County, Nueces County, Smith County, Taylor County



Angelina County, El Paso County, Lubbock County, Nacogdoches County, Parker County, Tom Green County, Victoria County, Webb County, Wichita County



Jasper County, Lamar County, Wood County



Newton County

The Texas Healthy Communities Program assists communities to assess their existing environments, implement changes in local environmental and policy infrastructure and adopt priority public health practices to reduce risk factors for chronic diseases, and honors cities that advance recognized best practices for preventing and controlling heart disease, stroke and other chronic diseases.

Communities are assessed on nine indicators to determine recognition as a Texas Healthy Community. Environmental indicators include offering physical activity areas, healthy eating options, mother-friendly worksites and an evidence-based health curriculum in schools. Policy indicators include a 100% smoke free city smoking ordinance; an EMS system which maintains a rapid response time for cardiac events and treatment of stroke as an emergency in the community, with appropriate acute stroke treatment protocols in place.
