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KEY FACTS

- ◆ **Agency:** TX Department of Transportation
- ◆ **Application Guide:**
<http://bit.ly/1MydLgB>
- ◆ **Deadline:** February 2017
- ◆ **Contact Information:**
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SUMMARY

For more than two decades, Keep Texas Beautiful, in partnership with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), has awarded the prestigious Governor's Community Achievement Awards (GCAA) to ten Texas communities with the best grassroots environmental programs in the state each year.

DESCRIPTION

The competition distributes \$2 million in funding from TxDOT across the 10 communities, with the amount based on population size. The funds are used for landscaping projects along local rights-of-way.

For more information about this grant and access to other materials, including the grant application guide and checklist, please visit: bit.ly/1MydLgB

EVALUATION & SELECTION

A community's environmental program is judged on achievements in seven areas:

- 1) Community Leadership and Coordination
- 2) Public Awareness
- 3) Education
- 4) Beautification and Community Improvement
- 5) Litter Prevention and Cleanup
- 6) Solid Waste Management
- 7) Litter Law and Illegal Dumping Enforcement

ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

Every community in Texas can win. The goal is to recognize communities who are working diligently to create and sustain comprehensive environmental and beautification programs.