

County Judge Duane Peters

Brazos County 2024 Economic Outlook

County Profile

- 586.14 square miles
- 43.2% of residents over 25 years of age have a Bachelor's degree or higher
- \$260,800 median home value
- \$57,562 median household income
- 242,014 population

(U.S. Census Bureau, Quick Facts 2022)

Responsibilities of Texas County Government:

- Provide indigent defense
- Provide indigent healthcare
- Maintain and secure County Jail
- Maintain and secure juvenile detention center
- Holding elections
- Building and maintaining roads and bridges
- Collecting property taxes for the county
- Issuing vehicle registration and transfers
- Registering voters

Internal County Projects:

- 2022 County Bond Program
- Public Defender's Office
- Medical Examiner's Office
- Administration Building Improvements
- Courthouse Improvements
- Former BISD Building Reconstruction

2022 Brazos County Bond Program:

- \$100 million County Bond Program
- \$20 million to be used for Various County road projects
- \$80 million to be used for on system road improvements

On System Road Improvements:

- Inner Loop East: SH 6 to W.D. Fitch - \$13,000,000
- RELLIS Interchange: SH 21 at SH 47 - \$3,000,000
- Leonard Road: FM 1688 from SH 47 to FM 2818 - \$16,000,000
- FM 2818: FM 60 to SH 6 North - \$6,000,000
- Bush Wellborn Interchange: FM 2347 at FM 2154 - \$15,000,000
- SH 40: Arrington Road to SH 6 - \$16,000,000
- SH 30: Associates Ave. to FM 158 - \$11,000,000

Brazos County Public Defender's Office:

- Brazos County received a grant of \$1,924,466 from the Texas Indigent Defense Commission to create a Public Defender's Office
- The Public Defender's Office opened in 2023
- Discussions are underway to decide the feasibility of expanding this office to serve the region

Brazos County Medical Examiner's Office:

- \$24 million of American Rescue Plan Act funding has been reserved for the buildout
- 21,400 square foot ME office with room for future expansion
- Current construction timeline puts date of completion at the end of 2025



PARKING COUNT	
MEDICAL EXAMINER	
REQUIRED PARKING:	
GENERAL OFFICE (1 PARKING SPACE / 300 SF)	
10,400 SF/300= 35 PARKING SPACES	
ENCLOSED STORAGE (1 PARKING SPACE / 900 SF)	
11,000 SF/900= 13 PARKING SPACES	
TOTAL REQUIRED PARKING SPACES=	48 PARKING SPACES
TOTAL PARKING SPACES PROVIDED=	50 PARKING SPACES
DNA TESTING LAB	
REQUIRED PARKING:	
GENERAL OFFICE (1 PARKING SPACE / 300 SF)	
19,600 SF/300= 67 PARKING SPACES	
TOTAL REQUIRED PARKING SPACES=	66 PARKING SPACES
TOTAL PARKING SPACES PROVIDED=	68 PARKING SPACES
DISPATCH CENTER	
REQUIRED PARKING:	
GENERAL OFFICE (1 PARKING SPACE / 300 SF)	
20,400 SF/300= 72 PARKING SPACES	
TOTAL REQUIRED PARKING SPACES=	68 PARKING SPACES
TOTAL PARKING SPACES PROVIDED=	69 PARKING SPACES
OVERALL PARKING COUNT	
TOTAL REQUIRED PARKING SPACES=	182 PARKING SPACES
TOTAL PARKING SPACES PROVIDED=	187 PARKING SPACES



Brazos County Administration Building Improvements:

- \$10 million of American Rescue Plan Act funding is reserved for this project
- The Brazos County Administration Building Renovations will include a remodeled wing that will serve as the new permanent home for the Brazos County Human Resources department
- The existing Sanctuary to serve as a training and conference center for use by Brazos County departments and employees, as well as provide future office space as needed

Brazos County Courthouse Improvements:

- The 472nd District Court became official on September 1, 2023 by House Bill 2418 from the 88th regular legislative session. The bill was authored by Representative John Raney and co -sponsored by Representative Kyle Kacal.
- The 472nd Court is currently being housed in the “old 85th” courtroom
- Discussions are underway to determine where the 472nd court will be permanently housed

Thank You