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# **Unclaimed Property Capital Credits for Counties**

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Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts In conjunction with Local Government Code, Section 381.004, Texas Property Code, Section 74.602 authorizes the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (Comptroller's office) to allocate a portion of the unclaimed capital credits received from electric cooperatives back to the counties in the cooperatives' service area.

#### What are unclaimed capital credits?

Electric cooperatives that have lost contact with a previous customer sometimes report capital credits to the Comptroller's office as unclaimed property. Texas law allows counties to claim a portion of unclaimed capital credits originating from their county and use them for specific programs.

# How are funds divided among counties?

- Electric cooperatives report unclaimed capital credits and the county of service from which they originated.
- Electric Cooperatives must use the numeric Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) county code of the service address. This code must be entered in the country code field of the remittance report.
- · A county may or may not receive funds in a given year.

# Who qualifies?

- Any county can request a portion of these funds.
- The county must follow instructions in Local Government Code, Section 381.004 to request funds.
- The commissioners court is the primary governing body and ultimate decision-making authority on the legitimacy of fund requests.

### General uses of capital credits

The county commissioners court may use capital credits to develop and administer a program:\*

- · for state or local economic development
- · for small or disadvantaged business development
- to stimulate, encourage and develop business location and commercial activity in the county
- to promote or advertise the county and its vicinity or conduct a solicitation program to attract conventions, visitors and businesses
- to improve the extent to which women and minority businesses are awarded county contracts
- to support comprehensive literacy programs that benefit county residents
- for the encouragement, promotion, improvement and application of the arts
- · to support a children's advocacy center

\*Review Local Government Code, Section 381,004 before starting a program.

# How to request capital credits

The county judge and/or commissioners court must complete and submit the form on the back of this notice.

- The form must be signed by a representative of the commissioners court or the county judge.
- The form must include the complete name, address and federal tax identification number of the commissioners court. Funds will be paid directly to the court.

For more information, visit our website at ClaimItTexas.org.

For questions on Capital Credits, contact our Holder Education and Reporting section at 800-321-2274, option 2 or up.holder@cpa.texas.gov

### **UNCLAIMED PROPERTY CAPITAL CREDITS FOR COUNTIES**

<b>County Request for Capital Credits</b>		
County NamePanola County	County FEIN	75-6001106
Authorized by ☐ Judge ☐ Commissioners Court		
Name of County Judge David L. Anderson		Approved Date 6-7-2022
Send the requested funds to:		
Address110 S. Sycamore, Room 216-A City_ Cartha	ige	StateTX
I acknowledge that the purpose of the funds complies with provisions of Texas Local Government Code, Section 381.004.		
Name (printed) David L. Anderson		TitleCounty Judge
Signature Wordh Cenaessen		June 7, 2022 Date
Email Addressdavid.anderson@co.panola.tx.us		Phone 903-693-0391
Submit signed and completed form by either mail, email or fax by July 31, 2022.		
Mail Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Email up.holder@cpa.texas.gov Unclaimed Property Division Holder Education and Reporting section P.O. Box 12019 Austin, Texas 78711-2019		
FOR COMPTROLLER'S USE ONLY: We are authorized to release% of the total amount available to your county. We will send a		
\$payment to the address provided above. By requesting funds, you have certified that they will be used in compliance with the provi-		
sions of Texas Local Government Code, Section 381.004.		
Comptroller's Representative		Date

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May 10, 2022

Honorable David Anderson

110 S. Sycamore

Carthage, TX 75633

Dear Judge Anderson,

The Panola County Chamber of Commerce kindly requests your consideration for the Electric Coop. Funds to be given back to the county under section 74.602(b) (3) of the Texas Property Code.

The funds will be used for economic developmental activities of the Chamber of Commerce in compliance with Section 381.004 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Our Federal Tax ID# is: 750-71-5353

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Keri Perot Vance

**Executive Director** 

State of Texas, County of <u>Kanda</u>

Before me, a notary public, on this day personally appeared <u>Keri Perote Varce</u>

Known to me be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing document and, being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein contained are true and correct.

Given under my han and the seal of office the \_

day of May

,2022

Notary Public Signature

MARIA I HERNANDEZ
Notary Public
State of Texas
ID # 13239818-1
My Comm. Expires 03-10-2024