



CURRENT CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES AT THE TEXAS FACILITIES COMMISSION

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OBJECTIVE

The Texas Facilities Commission has been designated as a central authority to design and manage state construction projects, with certain exceptions.

KEY FACTS

- ◆ As of October 2024, the scale of activities that the agency managed was \$3.8 billion among 31 projects at 17 agencies.
- ◆ Within this portfolio, \$2.2 billion has been provided by an Interagency Contract with the Office of the Governor for the construction of a wall along the Texas–Mexico border.

STATUTORY REFERENCES

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 2166

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 771

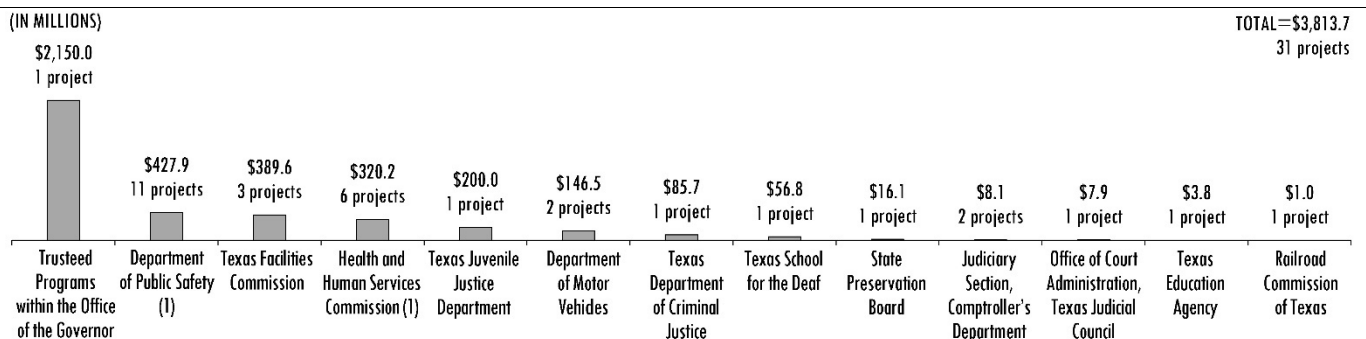
The Texas Facilities Commission (TFC) has statutory responsibility to manage the construction and maintenance of state facilities. TFC is designated as the coordinating authority for the construction of multiagency state office buildings. Funding for these projects may be provided to TFC directly, either by rider-directed appropriations or through strategy-level funding provided to the agency in the General Appropriations Act (GAA), or by appropriations to a client agency that enters an Interagency Contract (IAC) with TFC to manage construction.

The Texas Government Code, Sections 2166.003 and 2166.004, exclude some agencies and categories of construction projects from the broad statutory authority granted to TFC. TFC is authorized to conduct projects for the following agencies' otherwise excluded projects for cost recovery:

- the Texas Department of Transportation;
- state institutions of higher education;
- the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department;
- the Texas Historical Commission;
- the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles;
- the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation, or the Veterans Land Board;
- certain projects at the Texas Department of Agriculture;
- certain projects at the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; and
- certain repair and rehabilitation projects.

Figure 1 shows agencies for which TFC currently manages construction projects.

FIGURE 1
TEXAS FACILITIES COMMISSION-MANAGED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS BY AGENCY, OCTOBER 2024



NOTES:

(1) Includes projects with funding to be determined.

(2) Other agencies that have projects with funding to be determined include one project each at the Teacher Retirement System of Texas, the Department of State Health Services, and Texas Permanent School Fund Corporation.

SOURCE: Texas Facilities Commission.

SCOPE OF AGENCY CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

As of October 2024, the total size of TFC’s construction portfolio totals \$3.8 billion among 31 projects at 17 agencies. Four additional projects are expected to begin with funding provided in the Eighty-eighth Legislature, GAA, 2024–25 Biennium. However, the total funding for these projects has not been determined yet.

The largest project in TFC’s portfolio totals \$2.2 billion, or 57.4 percent of the total construction portfolio, through an IAC with the Office of the Governor for the construction of a border wall. Other significant construction work includes 11 projects for the Department of Public Safety (\$424.4 million), three projects within TFC (\$389.6 million), and six projects for the Health and Human Services Commission (\$320.2 million).

IACs, which represent the largest source of funding for TFC construction activities, total \$2.9 billion. Construction funding provided to agencies directly totals \$0.8 billion, including \$0.4 billion provided in agencies’ bill patterns in the 2024–25 GAA and \$0.4 billion as directed by riders. In addition, a small amount of funding was appropriated to the Texas School for the Deaf to be transferred to TFC for ongoing maintenance and revitalization.

Figure 2 shows the funding sources of the activities that TFC manages as of December 2023.

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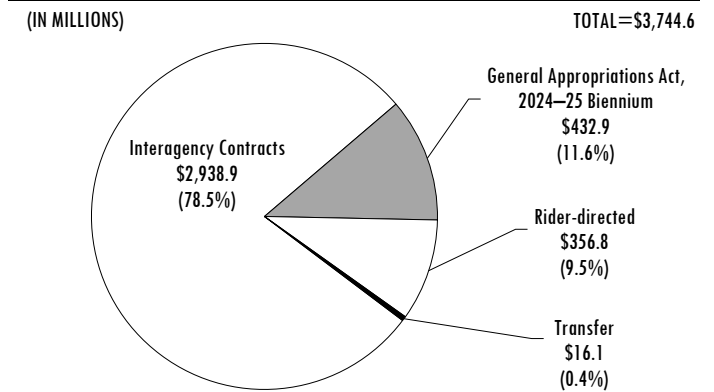
Information related to the design and construction of facilities by TFC, including a link to a website that details major construction at the Capitol Complex, is available at

www.tfc.texas.gov/divisions/facilities/prog/construct/

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**FIGURE 2
FUNDING SOURCES FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS
MANAGED BY TEXAS FACILITIES COMMISSION
DECEMBER 2023**



NOTE: Total may not sum due to rounding.
SOURCE: Texas Facilities Commission.