

#### **Regional Mitigation Program**

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# **Regional Mitigation Program Application**

## General

#### **Applicant Information**

Applicant: Wilson County Texas

County: Wilson

Program: Regional Mitigation Program: AACOG - State MID

COG: Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG)

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Address: 1420 3rd Street, Floresville, Texas 78114

Website: https://www.co.wilson.tx.us/

Employer Identification Number (EIN): 746000497

Taxpayer Identification Numbers (TIN): 746000497

UEI (Unique Entity Identifier): XJQ6Q77V66M7

Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS): 088471842

SAM.gov Registration Expiration Date: 09-18-2024

Is the applicant an eligible subrecipient applying in conjunction with or on behalf of another entity (non-city) within the county? No

How much funding was the applicant allocated by the approved COG MOD? \$1,287,400.00

Is the applicant participating in the National Flood Insurance Program? No

Fiscal Year End Date (Month): September

Fiscal Year End Date (Day): 30

#### **Application Contacts**

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#### SF-424 Questions

Applicant Type: County Government

Application Title: Wilson County Shelter of Last Resort

Is the applicant delinquent on any federal debt? No

## Activities

#### Activity

DRGR Activity	Planned Budget Amount	
Public Facilities	\$1,287,400.00	

#### Project

Project Title	Project Type	Status	Total Budget
Shelter of Last Resort	Community Centers	Not yet begun	\$3,637,400.00

Project Title	Start Date	End Date
Shelter of Last Resort	04-01-2023	05-02-2026

### **Project Site**

Project Site Title	Street Address	Latitude (Rounded)
Shelter of Last Resort	435 TX-97, Floresville, TX 78114	29.16208

#### **Budget Line Summary**

Total Engineering over Total Construction: 0%

Total Admin + Environmental over Total Amount Requested: 0%

Allowable Fee Percentage Cap for Admin + Environmental: 8%

Program Budget Code	Planned/Requested Amount
Planning	\$0.00
Acquisition	\$0.00
Environmental	\$0.00
Special Environmental	\$0.00
Engineering	\$0.00
Construction	\$1,287,400.00
Grant Administration	\$0.00

## **Duplication of Benefits**

## FEMA Coverage

Did you receive any FEMA funding? No Do you anticipate any FEMA funding? No Was the proposed project eligible for FEMA? No Is the budget in this application funding for the nonfederal share of a FEMA project? No If yes, have funds been awarded? If FEMA funds were received, explain why funds are needed above and beyond the FEMA funding:

#### Insurance Coverage

Did the applicant have insurance coverage on the proposed project? No

Name of Insurance Company:

Amount claimed/received for the project:

If a claim was not filed, please explain below:

Explain why funds are required above and beyond the insurance funding:

#### Other Funding

Has the applicant submitted a request to fund a part of or the whole project described in the application?  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{No}}$ 

Are local or other funds available to address the proposed project in whole or in part?

Have any other state and/or federal agencies been contacted concerning funding for the proposed project? No

Disclose source(s) and use(s) of non-CDBG-MIT funds (Each row is a funding source):

## **Fair Housing**

What methods and criteria were used to prioritize the projects in the application, including affirmatively furthering fair housing? The prioritization of the project to build a last resort shelter in Wilson County is based on several key criteria:

Community Need and Safety: Given the intended use of the shelter for emergencies such as tornados and freezes, the project prioritization aligns with critical needs for ensuring public safety and welfare. The geographic and climatic conditions likely necessitate such a facility to protect residents during frequent or severe weather events.

Demographic Considerations: The design and location of the shelter take into account the county s demographic composition, ensuring accessibility to all population segments, including minorities and economically disadvantaged groups. The shelter is 1.5 miles from the sheriff's department and the Emergency Operations Center, also ensures robust management and security, making it accessible and safe for everyone, especially during emergencies.

Affirmative Fair Housing Practices: The project supports the principles of affirmatively furthering fair housing by providing an essential service that is equally accessible to all residents of Wilson County, regardless of race, ethnicity, or economic status. The shelter's strategic location and its role in providing temporary housing also help in reducing any discriminatory barriers that might affect the mobility of protected classes within the community during crises.

What are the identified protected classes, racially and ethnically concentrated areas, and concentrated areas of poverty that may be impacted by this project? Protected classes in Wilson County likely include racial minorities such as Black residents who make up 2.2% of the population, and ethnic minorities, particularly the Latino community which constitutes 41.5% of the county's population. Areas of concentrated poverty can be inferred to be significantly overlapping with these minority groups given the 10.5% overall poverty rate.

Provide a meaningful analysis that describes how these identified populations may be impacted by this project. Impact on Protected Classes and Concentrated Areas of Poverty:

Enhanced Safety and Accessibility: The construction of a last resort shelter in proximity to the **sheriff s department and Emergency Operations Center ensures that during emergencies**, vulnerable populations, including those in concentrated areas of poverty, have immediate access to safe housing. This is crucial during events like tornados or severe freezes, which disproportionately impact less structurally secure homes often found in poorer neighborhoods.

Social Equity: By ensuring that the shelter is accessible to all, especially targeting assistance to protected classes and impoverished areas, the project promotes social equity. It gives marginalized communities equal opportunities to receive emergency protections, which might otherwise be inaccessible due to economic or mobility constraints.

Community Resilience: The project will improve overall community resilience by fostering a sense of security and preparedness among all residents. This inclusivity in planning and response to emergencies helps in building trust between the community members and local government, thereby enhancing cooperative community dynamics during crises.

This shelter not only serves as a protective measure but also as a testament to Wilson County's commitment to equitable access to critical services, affirmatively furthering fair housing by ensuring that those most at risk during emergencies are not left behind.

For each fair housing activity, provide a name and status. If the activity is Completed, enter the Date Initiated. If the activity is Planned, enter the To Be Completed By date:

Item	Name	Status	Date Initiated	To be completed by
Fair Housing Activity 1	Shelter of Last Resort	Planned	01-31-2024	01-31-2026
Fair Housing Activity 2				
Fair Housing Activity 3				
Fair Housing Activity 4				

## **Citizen Participation**

Did the applicant post the CDBG-MIT application for a minimum of fourteen (14) days? Yes

When did your jurisdiction post the project for public comment?

Start Date: 05-08-2024

End Date: 05-22-2024

Although a public hearing is not required, if your jurisdiction held one, list the date and attach the supporting documents: 05-30-2024

Although a resolution is not required, did your jurisdiction approve one? No

## **Procurement**

Have services been procured for Engineering, Grant Administration, or Environmental Services? No

Are there any persons/entities with a reportable financial interest to disclose? No

Vendor Type	TIGR: Procurement Status	Vendor Name	Contact Phone	Contact Email
Grant Administration	In House			
Engineering	Procured Later			
Environmental	Procured Later			

## **Documents**

Document Type	File Attachment (Text)
Newspaper publishers affidavit (tear sheet)	processed-15AF6ED6-072D-441E-A05B- 2023CF15CADF.jpeg
Documentation of public hearings	processed-15AF6ED6-072D-441E-A05B- 2023CF15CADF.jpeg
Environmental Exempt Form for planning and administrative activities	environmental-exempt-form-prefilled.docx
Professional Services documentation	Procurement Policy 2023 Wilson County.pdf
Signed Applicant Certifications	WilsonCo_RMP_Status_Ltr_2024-02-14.pdf
CDBG Mitigation Viewer Export	2022 Wilson County Single Audit Examination.pdf
Single Audit or Annual Financial Statement	2022 Wilson County Financial Report POSTED.pdf
Race/Ethnicity/Gender Calculator	U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts_ Wilson County, Texas.pdf
LMISD data and/or CDBG-MIT Survey documentation	U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts_ Wilson County, Texas.pdf
Documentation to support Urgent Need Mitigation national objective	FIRMETTE_c3f5a3f1-f51d-49f6-9529- 2de4cda9c1e5.pdf
CDBG-MIT - Budget Justification of Retail Costs form (completed, signed, and sealed by a professional engineer or architect licensed to work in the State of Texas)	budget-justification-of-retail-costs.xlsx
Maps indicating latitude and longitude for proposed locations	435 TX-97 - Google Maps.pdf
Supporting census tract/block group or other beneficiary data maps	Census Map_of_Wilson County.pdf
SF-424 (completed and signed)	SF424_2_1-V2.1 (002).pdf
Scope of work information, maps, and other applicable documentation for each Local effort identified	Wilson County Texas natural disaster risk assessment on Augurisk.pdf
DP05 (ACS 5-year estimate)	U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts_ Wilson County, Texas.pdf
Current Printout of SAM.gov Registration	SAM.gov.pdf

**Shelter of Last Resort** 

## **Project Info**

#### **Project Information**

DRGR Activity: Public Facilities

Project Type: Community Centers

Project Title: Shelter of Last Resort

Does this project include replacement or relocation of a facility (i.e., lift station, water treatment plant, etc.)? No

Provide a detailed description of the scope of work proposed. For proposed work involving a length of road, ditch, channel, etc., report the scope of the project in linear feet (If): The scope of work proposed includes a comprehensive analysis and evaluation of the project requirements, identification of key stakeholders, detailed project planning, and execution of all necessary tasks to successfully complete the project.

For the Shelter of Last Resort project, the scope of work is defined in linear feet (If) and includes the following tasks:

1. Site assessment and evaluation: This involves the assessment of the site's suitability for the shelter and the identification of any potential hazards or risks.

2. Design and planning: This involves the development of a comprehensive design plan for the shelter, including the layout, materials to be used, and any necessary design modifications.

3. Construction: This involves the actual construction of the shelter, including excavation, foundation work, framing, roofing, and installation of electrical and plumbing systems.

4. Interior finishes: This involves the installation of interior finishes, including flooring, walls, ceilings, and any necessary fixtures.

5. Mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems: This involves the installation of all necessary mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems, including HVAC, lighting, and water supply systems.

6. Testing and inspection: This involves the testing and inspection of all systems to ensure that they are functioning properly and in compliance with all applicable codes and regulations.

7. Commissioning and closeout: This involves the final commissioning of the shelter and the completion of all necessary documentation and closeout activities.

Throughout the project, we will prioritize safety, quality, and efficiency to ensure that the Shelter of Last Resort is built to the highest standards and meets all project requirements.

Site: Project Site Title	Site: Street Address		
Shelter of Last Resort	435 TX-97, Floresville, TX 78114		

Describe a plan for the long-term funding and management of the operations and maintenance of the project: As we aim to secure the necessary funding of \$1,287,400 for the Shelter of Last Resort project, it's crucial that we establish a detailed long-term plan for managing its operations and maintenance. This plan will encompass a range of factors, including staffing, resource allocation, and contingency planning, to ensure the smooth and efficient running of the shelter.

By developing a comprehensive strategy, we can ensure that the Shelter of Last Resort remains a safe, reliable, and well-maintained resource for those in need. This will require ongoing investment in the shelter's infrastructure and facilities, as well as regular maintenance and upkeep.

Furthermore, the plan will enable us to anticipate and address any potential challenges that may arise, such as natural disasters, staffing shortages, or changes in government funding. By having a proactive approach to problem-solving, we can ensure that the Shelter of Last Resort continues to provide essential support to those who rely on it for years to come.

Total proposed number of linear feet:

Total number of proposed public facilities: 1

Project Phase	Start Date	End Date	Length (in months)
Contract Closeout	05-07-2025	06-07-2025	1
Submit As- Builts/COCC/FWCR	01-02-2026	05-02-2026	4
Construction	10-01-2024	10-01-2025	12
Construction NTP	08-07-2024	02-07-2025	6
Contract Award	07-10-2024	08-10-2024	1
Bid Advertisement	05-08-2024	08-08-2024	3
Environmental Review	05-08-2024	11-08-2024	6
Engineering Design	05-08-2024	11-08-2024	6
Start-Up Documentation	04-01-2023	05-01-2023	1
Acquisition			

## **National Objective**

### National Objective

Provide Total Number of Beneficiaries: 54,183 Provide number of LMI Beneficiaries 0 Percentage of LMI Beneficiaries: 0% Is that applicant a HUD Exception Grantee? No

Census Tract	Block Group List (Text)	
	Group 1 ; Group 2 ; Group 3 ; Group 4 ; Group 5 ; Group 6	

Male: 27,417

Female: 26,766

Total: 54,183

Race	Hispanic Population	Non-Hispanic Population	Total Population
Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander	0	442	442
Asian	0	323	323
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	485	485
White	22,400	28,430	50,830
Black African American	0	1,182	1,182
Some Other Race	0	0	0
Other Multi-Racial	921	0	921
Black African American/White	0	0	0
Asian/White	0	0	0
American Indian/Alaskan Native/Black African American	0	0	0

Race	Hispanic Population	Non-Hispanic Population	Total Population
American Indian/Alaskan Native/White	0	0	0

Which HUD national objective does the project meet? UNM

Describe activities that benefit low- and moderate-income people:

Method(s) used to determine the beneficiaries: LMI Area Benefit (County-wide)

What method was used for Beneficiary Identification? Census (HUD LMISD)

Provide a brief description of the beneficiary identification method used to determine this national objective and upload supporting beneficiary maps, census data, and/or survey documents: To ensure the accuracy of beneficiary information, two methods were employed: Census.gov and Census Bureau data. Census.gov is an online platform that provides access to demographic and socioeconomic data from the U.S. Census Bureau. The Census Bureau data, on the other hand, is a collection of statistical information gathered through population surveys and other data collection methods. By utilizing both sources of information, a comprehensive and reliable database of beneficiary information was obtained.

U.S. Congressional District #: 15

Texas Representative District #: 31

Texas Senate District #: 21

## Environmental

What is the current status of the project? Not yet begun

Will the assistance requested have any negative impact(s) or effect(s) on the environment? No

Is the proposed project likely to require an archaeological assessment? No

Is the proposed site(s) listed on the National Register of Historic Places? No

Is the project in a designated floodway or coastal high hazard area? No

Is the project in a designated special flood hazard area or a designated wetland? No

For projects in the 500 or 100-year floodplain: Does your project involve a critical action as defined in 24CFR55.2(b)(3)?

Is any project site located in a known critical habitat for endangered species? No

Is any project site a known hazardous site? No

Is any project site located on federal lands or at a federal installation? No

Is any project site subject to or participating in Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST-41) (P.L. 114-94)? **No** 

What level of environmental review is likely needed for this project? Environmental Assessment

Provide any additional detail or information relevant to Environmental Review: The RFP has yet to be posted. The environmental is part of the RFP that will be posted for construction.

Provide a brief narrative regarding how CDBG-MIT funding is to be used. Demonstrate that HUD CDBG environmental requirements have been met to date:

## Permits

Does the project require any federal, state, or other permits, approvals, or waivers to complete the proposed work? **No** 

If yes, describe the type and purpose of each permit and its association with the proposed project. Provide a copy of each permit already executed:

Does the project require any type of ratified, legally binding agreement between the applicant and any other entity to provide continual operation upon completion? **No** 

If yes, describe the type and purpose of each agreement and its association with the proposed project. Provide a copy of each agreement already executed or drafted:

For sewer and/or water facilities projects, does the applicant currently hold the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) for the target area proposed in the application? (If not a sewer and/or water facilities project, please choose N/A): N/A

# Budget Activity Lines

Program Budget Code	Planned/Requeste d Amount	Planned Other Funds Amount	Total	Percent of Total
Planning	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
Acquisition	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
Environmental	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
Special Environmental	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
Engineering	\$0.00	\$363,740.00	\$363,740.00	10%
Construction	\$1,287,400.00	\$1,986,260.00	\$3,273,660.00	90%
Grant Administration	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%

## **Mitigation**

Identify the specific risk the proposed project will mitigate against: Storms

Describe as to how the proposed project addresses/mitigates against the current and future risks identified: The Shelter of Last Resort is intended to provide a safe haven for nearby communities that may suffer property damage or loss due to a natural disaster. It will also serve as an alternative option in case the school gym or other facilities become overcrowded.

Provide information about how the proposed mitigation efforts integrate into the community's emergency and resiliency plans: The Shelter of Last Resort will provide the community with a place to flee during and after a natural disaster. The EMP is part of the county's emergency and resiliency plan, and the Shelter of Last Resort provides a safe place for the community to seek refuge during and after a natural disaster.

In the space provided, list documentation provided to support the identification of the threat or hazard and how it relates to potential impact: Wilson County has a moderate natural disaster risk score of 31%. Over the past 20 years, the county has declared 16 disasters, most related to severe storm incidents. 2% of Wilson County has a moderate or higher wildfire hazard potential, while its 4% average earthquake risk score is meager. The average summer temperature is expected to rise by 1.8 degrees Fahrenheit by 2100.

Provide a brief description of how the proposed project addresses an integrated approach to mitigation: The purpose of the Mitigation Phase is to reduce the harmful effects of an incident and lessen the need for a response when a crisis does occur. This is accomplished through the use of such strategies as removing the hazard, reducing its size, segregating the hazard from population centers, reducing the likelihood of the hazard occurring, and establishing hazard warning procedures.

Considering the local evaluation of hazard risks, responsible floodplain management, future extreme weather/natural disaster events, and long-term risks, describe how the proposed project promotes sustainable community resilience: In the Response Phase, actions are taken immediately before, during or directly after an emergency occurs, to save lives, minimize damage, and to enhance the recovery activities. These include notification and activation of emergency personnel and services, providing for the continuity of government and establishing communications between agencies responding to the incident. Emergency Operations Center will also be activated to help coordinate the response. Also vital are efforts to protect the safety and well-being of the public, including providing medical care, evacuation shelters, and food and water in the aftermath of a disaster.

Describe how the proposed project is consistent with local and regional planning efforts to effect disaster mitigation: During the Preparedness Phase, emergency managers develop plans of action for when disasters strike. Strategies to be considered are assessing and inventorying resources, planning, training, exercises, and developing procedures. Another step in the Preparedness Phase is the establishment of an Emergency Operations Center, or EOC. An EOC is a central command and control facility responsible for carrying out the principles of emergency preparedness and emergency management, or disaster management functions at a strategic level in an emergency situation, and ensuring the continuity of operation of the region.

Was a cost-benefit analysis used in the selection of the proposed project? No

Describe how the proposed project impacts vulnerable populations in the local community.: The community s systems and activities to normal. Tasks in this phase include restoring utilities, removing debris, maintaining essential records and assessing damages. Long-term recovery includes restoring economic activity and rebuilding community facilities and housing. Officials will also coordinate with state and federal agencies to receive aid to help in the rebuilding process for both local government entities as well as private citizens who have suffered losses. Ideally, the recovery phase will overlap with mitigation efforts, and any rebuilding will be done with future disasters in mind.

Describe how the proposed project creates economic opportunities for the local community: The Shelter of Last Resort project will provide employment opportunities during the construction phase and will benefit the existing homes and businesses in Wilson County as a result of population growth. Due to the county's expansion, businesses will have peace of mind knowing that there is an Emergency Operations Center that also includes the Shelter of Last Resort.

Does this project disproportionately impact vulnerable populations in the local community? No

Does the proposed project align with investments from other state or local capital improvements and infrastructure development efforts? **Yes** 

Does the proposed project employ adaptable and reliable technology to guard against premature obsolescence? **No** 

Describe the applicant's overall mitigation plan and how the project addressed in this application furthers that plan: The mitigation plan is a comprehensive strategy aimed at addressing the potential impacts of natural disasters on various stakeholders such as commuters, businesses, and families in the county. The plan takes into account the likelihood of natural disasters occurring in the area and outlines measures to reduce their effects.

In the event of a natural disaster, commuters are among the most affected groups, with transportation disruptions and road closures being common occurrences. The mitigation plan, therefore, includes measures to ensure that transportation systems are functional and accessible to all, even in emergency situations.

Businesses, on the other hand, are at risk of experiencing significant losses in the event of a natural disaster. The mitigation plan outlines strategies to mitigate these losses, including measures to provide financial assistance and resources to affected businesses.

Families are also a critical stakeholder group that the mitigation plan aims to protect. The plan includes measures to ensure that families have access to emergency services, shelter, and other necessities during and after a natural disaster.

The county's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) has been instrumental in developing the mitigation plan. The EOC has identified potential natural disasters that could occur in the area and has worked with various stakeholders to develop strategies to mitigate their effects. All stakeholders have been involved in the plan's development to ensure that it is comprehensive, effective, and inclusive.

Describe how the proposed project will contribute to the community's resiliency against future disasters as a result of these projects: The purpose of a mitigation plan is to minimize the impact of a natural disaster on the community and reduce the need for an emergency response. This is done by establishing a shelter in Wilson County that can accommodate the needs of families and businesses in case of a crisis. The shelter will be equipped with all the necessary resources to ensure the safety and well-being of the community.

# Shelter of Last Resort - Shelter of Last Resort

## **Project Site**

#### **Project Site**

Project Site Title: Shelter of Last Resort Street Address: 435 TX-97, Floresville, TX 78114 Street Limits on Street: None From Street: 435 TX-97 To Street: 435 TX-97 Zip Code: 78114 City: Floresville County: TEXAS State: TEXAS Latitude: 29.1620774 Longitude: -98.1422057 Performance Measures: Public Facilities Provide the proposed number of linear feet:

#### Acquisition/Uniform Relocation Assistance

Does the project require acquisition of property, purchase of easements, relocation, or any other activity requiring compliance with URA outside the listed waived activities? No

Has acquisition of the project site(s) been completed, in progress, or will need to be acquired?

Describe the type and purpose of all acquisitions (easements, real property, etc.) associated with the proposed project. For acquisitions "Previously Acquired" or "Acquisition in Progress," include the date of acquisition, detailed information and supporting documentation to ensure compliance with all URA, 42 U.S.C. 4601 et seq., and environmental review processes:

What is the planned number of parcels to be acquired?

What is the associated cost amount for this acquisition?