Texas Community Colleges
Rely on Local Taxes to Keep College Affordable & Accessible

Support provisions for community colleges in the House version of SB 2

We Are Affordable and effective

Low Debt for Texans
We have the 3rd lowest tuition in the nation
Only one in four graduates of a Texas community college has student loan debt

Among 2016 graduates who borrowed, the median debt was about 40% of first-year wages, lower than the state goal of 60%

We Are Relevant and productive

Our graduates drive the Texas workforce & economy

We Have 3 Sources of Revenue
local taxes, state appropriations & tuition/fees

State funding and local tax revenue keep tuition low

Status of 2017 TX Community College Graduates One Year After Award

Graduates in the TX workforce & TX higher ed
Employed in TX 40%
Working and Enrolled 30%
Enrolled Only 19%
Unknown 15%
Graduates seeking more TX higher ed

Degrees and Certificates Awarded by Year, 2006-2016

Relative Composition of Three Primary Revenue Sources at TX Community Colleges, 2006-2016

Local taxes
State appropriations
Tuition/fees
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## A Wise Investment

### Property tax bill breakdown
In 2018, this property was valued at $234,700 and owed an estimated $5,100 in property taxes. Here’s where that money went.

- **19%** went to the city
- **19%** went to the county
- **54%** went to a school district
- **5%** went to a community college

*West Dallas home*
*Source: Dallas Central Appraisal District*

### Property tax bill breakdown
In 2018, this property was valued at $114,100 and owed an estimated $3,200 in property taxes. Here’s where that money went.

- **10%** went to a local hospital
- **27%** went to the city
- **50%** went to a school district
- **4%** went to a community college
- **9%** went to the county

*Round Rock home*
*Source: Williamson County Tax Assessor Collector*

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### High Impact with low taxes

- **92%** Dual Credit Students
- **51%** Public Higher Ed
- **25%** State Share of Total Community College Funding
- **5%** Avg. Percent of Property Tax Bill

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