Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Program (DEAAG)

The Defense Economic Adjustment Assistance Grant Program (DEAAG) is an infrastructure grant program designed to assist defense communities that are responding to or recovering from a reduction or termination of defense contracts, and those that have been positively affected with new or expanded military missions, as well as, qualified job retention.

DEAAG funding is available to local municipalities, counties, defense base development authority, junior college districts and Texas State Technical College campuses, and regional planning commissions representing these communities.

Funding can be used for negatively and positively affected communities or for proactive projects that will increase the military value of the installation. Projects can include the purchase of Department of Defense property, new construction or rehabilitation of facilities in support of job creating projects and opportunities. Additionally, funds can be awarded to Public Junior Colleges or Texas State Technical College System for the purchase or leasing of capital equipment for the purpose of (re)training displaced defense workers.

Grants awarded may range from $50,000 to $5 million per project. The Texas Military Preparedness Commission has awarded $47 million in 44 grants since the program inception in 1997.

Examples of past awards include the reconstruction of water and wastewater systems, the replacement of rail and rail bed, and upgrading a building to accommodate indoor engine testing capabilities.

For more information about DEAAG, please visit *http://gov.texas.gov/military/grants*.