



**CITY OF MATHIS
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Welcome to “Mathis on the Move” a community update correspondence:

City of Mathis Vision, Mission & Goal is:

Vision

The City of Mathis community will continue to revitalize itself, so that it may become the benchmark for other small South Texas cities to inspire to be.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to improve the quality of life for our citizens, continue to support safety and general welfare needs of the public, recruit and encourage economic growth for our community, and to continue with infrastructure improvements. We want to show that government can become more efficient while delivering the services residents expect, through fiscal discipline, continuous improvement, improved customer service, and straightforward communications.

Goals

- Be honest and reaffirm the ethical foundation of the organization.
- Be fair by institutionalizing a sound and effective management open door process.
- Keep your word and set realistic expectations regarding services, and continuously improve organizational performance.
- Exercise integrity towards ensuring the financial capacity of the City is sustainable.

Community Members: The City of Mathis is moving forward on all fronts in a very positive and smart management approach so not to overwhelm citizen tax base. The leadership has been diligent in seeking forgivable or low interest grants to repair aged infrastructure, and make community investment projects to bring the City of Mathis into a newer look, new technologies, and amenities for the community. Listed below are current ongoing projects that will have very little impact on the tax base:

General Land Office Mitigation Infrastructure Project

GLO Contract No. 22-085-032-D275

Grant Award - \$22,830,172M

City Match - \$228,302



The City was awarded this grant in January of 2022. Initially it had delays in getting the project moving but, in February 2024, activities intensified to get the project moving forward. February 2025, the City of Mathis got all covenants signed, to include a signed (MOU) memorandum of understanding to move forward on the pier improvements with Corpus Christi Water (CCW - Lake Owner). Bids for construction are planned to be advertised in May or June 2025. This Grant is supporting three projects. **The first project** is repair of the raw water pier structure on the lake. The pier has been needing repairs for decades and the work will consist of a new concrete structure built from the shoreline and attached to the existing concrete structure in the water. **The second project** is the installation of two diesel emergency generators. One will be installed at the raw water pier and the other will be installed at the water plant. **The third project** has two parts. The first part is replacing the existing 15" main trunk line that feeds the sewer plant with a 24" trunk line. Replacing or pipe bursting 90% of the 6-inch sewer lines that service customers in the City.

GLO-MIT-MOD Infrastructure Grant

The City was recently notified of the award of a \$3,330,600 from the General Land Office. The contract was funded March 2025. Although this was a non-competitive grant, the City has spent much time and effort to ensure we receive the funds allocated to us under the CBCOG Method of Distribution program. The grant will fund improvements to our SCADA system, raw water pumps, water plant filter media, water plant sludge lagoons, water tower, wastewater plant, and ground water wells rehabilitation or construction of new.

TxDot TA-Set Aside Alt Transportation Community Connectivity (Sidewalks) \$4,359,113M

The City was recently notified that their submitted Community Connectivity alternative transportation project was accepted and selected from hundreds of other applicants to move forward in the funding process. The submitted project aim is two folds, one is to get communities out walking their communities; second is to add value to communities by building new sidewalks with curbs and gutters for proper neighborhood drainage.

2025 Tex. Dept. of Agriculture Downtown Revitalization Grant Program \$1,000,000M

The City recently made application for community funding for infrastructure improvement under this program; if awarded the grant agreement will start February 01, 2026. This program provides infrastructure improvements to promote pedestrian-centered economic activity and funded projects that will be located on public property within designated downtown or main street.

Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPWD) Local Parks Non-Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant Program

The City will make application May 1, 2025, for a Local Parks Grant to enhance public recreation areas in our community. The grant purpose is to help Texas local governments acquire, renovate, and or develop vibrant park spaces.

RAISE Grant Program: RAISE is a discretionary grant for investments in Surface Transportation Infrastructure that will have a significant local or regional impact on roadways. RAISE Grant Funds were authorized under the Local and Regional Assistance Program in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL).

BUILD Planning Grants Program: BUILD is for planning, preparing, and or designing urban or rural infrastructure CIPs, that are impacted by the following: Areas of Persistent Poverty and Historically Disadvantaged Communities Areas of Persistent Poverty (APP) are defined by BUILD statute:

- Any county that has consistently had greater than or equal to 20 percent of the population living in poverty during the 30-year period preceding November 15, 2021, as measured by the 1990 and 2000 decennial census and the most recent annual Small Area Income Poverty Estimates as estimated by the Bureau of the census.

Tractor Supply Company - Mathis, - Broke Ground on April 15, 2025

Redwood Estates at Mathis – Ground clearing on April 30, 2025

The City of Mathis is on the move and together, we will continue to make great strides, because Mathis is the small town with a big lake and great people making it the ideal place to live, work, and play!

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