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During the Beyond Translations forum held in McAllen, Texas on October 16, 2008, participants in the Colonia session requested a guide summarizing Federal, State and non-government assistance for colonia residents in Texas. This funding guidance while not entirely comprehensive, it provides colonia residents, local government and utility officials with a starting point and summary of funding programs for colonias in the State of Texas.

We encourage you to contact or visit the web sites identified in each program or visit the agencies' web site to learn more information on each program as well as the Texas Secretary of State Colonia Initiatives Program to find information on the state's efforts to address issues affecting colonia residents. For more information on federal government grant opportunities visit: www.grants.gov or www.cfda.gov. In the State of Texas visit: www.window.state.tx.us for state procurement offices and opportunities.

Instructions for reading the guide:

The guide includes a table that provides the agency and program name, type of assistance and terms and conditions, uses, eligibility criteria, and application process. The second table provides a summary to identify program eligibility: planning & design, construction, operation & maintenance, technical assistance, loans, and private-for-profit. The last section of the guide includes acknowledgement for agencies that contributed information and agency phone numbers and home page web links for easy reference.

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FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program	Federal grant: at a minimum be cost effective; cost beneficial to the National Flood Insurance Fund; technically feasible; physically located in a participating NFIP community or must reduce future flood damages in a NFIP community. Federal contribution up to 75% of total eligible costs. At least 25% of the total eligible costs must be provided by a nonfederal source.	Planning funds to develop or update Flood Mitigation Plan; project grants to implement measures to reduce flood losses; acquisition of insured structures and real property; relocation or demolition of insured structures; dry flood proofing, elevation of insured structures.	Political subdivision, including any Indian or authorized tribal or native organization, that has zoning and building code jurisdiction, and it is participating in the NFIP.	A community applying for a FMA Project Grant must have an approved Flood Mitigation Plan. This program is a federal grant program administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), under an Agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The FMA is a pre-disaster grant program. The TWDB web site: http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/assistance/financial/financial_main.asp#flood
HUD Community Development Block Formula Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Communities Grants	Grants. Entitlement communities must spend at least 70% of their funds for activities that benefit low and moderate income persons.	Grant is for buying, constructing, or rehabilitating public facilities such as water and sewer systems.	Cities with populations of at least 50,000; and qualified urban counties with populations of at least 200,000 (excluding the population of entitled cities)	To receive its annual CDBG entitlement grant, a grantee must develop and submit its Consolidated Plan to HUD. Note that the local government administers the program and determines which local projects receive funding. Community Development Block Formula Grant Entitlement Communities Grants. http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/

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USDA Rural Development Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants	Grant and Loan Program - <u>Loan</u> : 40-year maximum term; Interest rates are fixed, set quarterly. <u>Grants</u> : provided to reduce user costs to reasonable levels; with maximum grant amount being 75% of eligible facility development costs.	Drinking water and wastewater: Costs for constructing, repairing, expanding, or improving water supply and distribution systems and waste collection and treatment systems; certain facility development; acquiring needed land, water sources, and water right; legal and engineering fees.	Public entities: Cities and towns up to 10,000 people; rural areas with no population limits.	<p>Applications may be filed with the USDA Rural Development office serving the applicant's area. Detailed information and applications are available through USDA Rural Development State, Local and Area offices.</p> <p>Texas Rural Development, Water and Environmental Programs Staff; 101 South Main Street, Temple, TX 76501 http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx</p> <p>Texas Rural Development State, Area, Local, and Satellite Office locations and telephone numbers may be obtained at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx (Select Offices)</p> <p>For additional information, you may consult the program's fact sheet at http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/docs/wwfact.pdf</p>
USDA Rural Development Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants (ECWAG)	Grant Program: Maximum grant amount is \$500,000 for occurrence of a significant decline in quantity or quality of water within 2 years; \$150,000 to make emergency repairs and replacement of facilities on existing systems.	Drinking water: cost for extending, repairing, or performing significant maintenance on existing water systems; new construction of water lines and sources of water, reservoirs, and treatment plants; replacing equipment; connection or tap fees; legal and engineering fees and environmental impact analyses; acquiring water rights.	Public entities, nonprofit corporations serving rural areas, and Native American Tribes.	<p>Texas Rural Development, Water and Environmental Programs Staff; 101 South Main Street, Temple, TX 76501 http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx</p> <p>Texas Rural Development State, Area, Local, and Satellite Office locations and telephone numbers may be obtained at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx (Select Offices)</p> <p>For additional information, you may consult the program's fact sheet at http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/docs/wwfact.pdf</p>

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EPA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)	Loan Program: Loans: 20-year maximum term, interest is at or below market rate. Special terms are available for Emergency & Disadvantaged System projects.	Drinking water: planning and design, capital improvements.	Public and private entities, including for-profit and non-profit organizations.	Program is administered by the Texas Water Development Board. Texas DWSRF application website: http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/assistance/financial/fin_infrastructure/cwsrffund.asp EPA's DWSRF web site: http://www.epa.gov/safewater/dwsrf.html
EPA Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)	Loan: Loans at interest rates lower than the market. The CWSRF offers fixed and variable rate loans at subsidized interest rates. The maximum repayment period for a CWSRF loan is 20 years from the completion of the project construction.	Wastewater loans can be used for planning, design and construction of wastewater treatment facilities; wastewater recycling and reuse facilities; collection systems; stormwater pollution control projects; and nonpoint source pollution control projects.	Political subdivisions with the authority to own and operate a wastewater system. Although nonprofit water supply corporations are considered political subdivisions for various other TWDB programs, they are not eligible to receive assistance from the CWSRF.	Program is administered by the Texas Water Development Board. Texas CWSRF application website: http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/assistance/financial/fin_infrastructure/cwsrffund.asp EPA's CWSRF web site: http://www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/index.htm
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Utility and District Assistance	Provide bond review, Capability Development, Consumer & Utility Assistance, district creations	Bond review: evaluate the engineering and economic feasibility of all district applications on bond issues. Capacity Development: assist with a utility's financial, managerial and technical (FMT) capabilities and provide technical assistance to make improvements in these areas. Consumer & Utility assistance: assist the consumers and utilities with inquiries about customer service and protection rules.		Additional information can be found: http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/permitting/water_supply/ud/ud.html

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TWDB Economically Distressed Area Program (EDAP) for water and sewer service	Grant, loan or a combination grant/loan: The TWDB may consider funding up to 75% of the cost of the facility plan. In certain hardship cases, up to 100% of the facility plan. The construction phase is available in a combination grant and loan, with the loan determined by a grant-to-loan calculation which is based on either the applicant's existing capital component or on regional benchmarks.	Water and wastewater: provide service to economically distressed areas (designated by TWDB) where the present water and wastewater facilities are inadequate.	Political subdivisions, and nonprofit water supply corporations, provided they meet certain program requirements.	TWDB EDAP website: http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/assistance/financial/fin_infrastructure/edapfund.asp Additional information, contact the Texas Water Development Board's Project Finance and Construction Assistance at (512) 475-0590.
TWDB Colonia Self-Help Program (SHP) for water and sewer service	Grant: The dollar value of the assistance provided by the local residents must be at least 40% of the total amount of the project cost.	Water and wastewater: actual costs for the acquisition of water and wastewater systems to provide adequate service to Colonias, where the local residents provide volunteer labor (sweat equity) to construct the facilities, and/or donate equipment, materials, and supplies.	Political subdivisions, including cities, counties, water districts, and nonprofit water supply corporations within Affected Counties (specified by statute).	TWDB Colonia SHP website: http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/assistance/financial/fin_infrastructure/self-help.asp This program supplements the TWDB's EDAP as mentioned above. The applicant or local spokesperson can contact the TWDB at (512) 475-0590 to set up a pre-application conference.
TWDB Water Infrastructure Fund (WIF)	Loan: Loans offered at a subsidized interest rate which is 2 percent below the TWDB's cost of funds. Repayment periods are a maximum of 20 years.	Projects must be recommended water management strategies in the most recent TWDB approved regional water plan or approved State Water Plan. Funds may not be used to maintain a system or to develop a retail distribution system.	Political subdivisions including municipalities, counties, river authorities, special law districts, water improvement districts, water control and improvement districts, irrigation districts, and groundwater districts.	Application forms: Applications include a preliminary engineering feasibility report and known environmental information, fiscal and legal application information. Application Procedure Guidelines can be found on the TWDB site (Form WRD-006). Applications must be received by the first business day in January or July.

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TWDB Water and wastewater loan program (Development FundII)	Loan: Period of useful life of the project facilities being constructed with a maximum financing life of 50 years. The average financing is 20 to 23 years. The interest rate is set in accordance with the TWDB rules in 31 TAC 363.33(a).	Water and wastewater: planning, acquisition and construction of water related infrastructure, including water supply, wastewater treatment, stormwater and nonpoint source pollution control, flood control, reservoir construction, storage acquisition, and agricultural water conservation projects, as well as municipal solid waste facilities.	Political subdivisions and Nonprofit Water Supply Corporations.	The applicant is encouraged to meet with TWDB staff for a pre-application conference at which the preparation of the application and the terms of the loan are discussed. The applicant must submit an engineering feasibility report and environmental information, as well as general, fiscal and legal application information to the TWDB. For additional information contact the TWDB's Office of Project Finance and Construction Assistance, Program and Policy Development Division (512) 463-8491.
Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) Colonia Construction (CFC) Fund	Grant	Water and wastewater improvements including first-time service to low- to moderate-income persons. Housing rehabilitation for low- to moderate-income households. Other improvements including street paving and drainage.	Areas located farther than 150 miles from the Texas-Mexico border and non-entitlement counties, or portions of counties, within 150 miles of the Texas-Mexico border that are not eligible for TCDP's Colonia Fund because they are located in a standard metropolitan statistical area that has a pop. exceeding 1,000,000.	For additional information, visit ORCA's website at: http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Colonias/ Awards are made on a biennial basis through a competitive process among eligible counties. Awards range from a minimum of \$75,000 to a maximum to \$500,000.

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ORCA Colonia Economically Distressed Areas Program (CEDAP) Fund	Grant	Provides assistance to colonia areas to connect to a water and sewer system improvement project funded by the TWDB Economically Distressed Areas Program.	County governments must submit an application on behalf of eligible colonia areas; the colonia(s) must be located within 150 miles of the Texas-Mexico border region and be an TWDB-EDAP eligible area with ongoing projects. However, any county that is part of a standard metropolitan statistical area with a pop. exceeding 1,000,000 is not eligible under this fund.	For additional information, visit ORCA's website at: http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Colonias/ . An application cannot be submitted until the construction of the TWDB EDAP-funded water and sewer systems begins. The applicant should work closely with CDBG staff. Awards are made on an as-needed basis with priority given to applications on a "first-come, first serve" basis and maximum award of \$500,000. This fund is administered under ORCA's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, which is funded by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The agency's CDBG program follows all HUD guidelines.
ORCA Colonia Fund - Planning	Grant	The Colonia Area Planning and Colonia Comprehensive Planning Fund provide assistance for the completion of planning activities that prepare colonia areas for needed water, sewer and housing improvements. Provides assistance with conducting a complete inventory of colonias including: demographic, housing, land use statistics, public facilities and public service.	Limited to nonentitlement counties with colonia areas located within 150 miles of the Texas-Mexico border region. An exception to this requirement is Hidalgo County. Any county in the 150-mile range that is part of a metropolitan statistical area with a population exceeding 1,000,000 is not eligible under the Colonia Fund.	For additional information, visit ORCA's website at: http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Colonias/ Awards for the Colonia Area Planning Fund, the maximum contract amount is \$100,000 and the maximum contract amount for the Colonia Comprehensive Planning Fund is \$200,000.

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ORCA Texas Community Development Block Grant Program	Grant	Develop viable communities by providing decent housing and suitable living environments, and expanding economic opportunities principally for persons of low- to moderate-income. Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or meet a need having a particular urgency, which represents an immediate threat to the health and safety of residents.	Cities under 50,000 in population and counties that have a non-metropolitan population under 200,000 and are not eligible for direct CDBG funding from HUD may apply for funding through any of ORCA's CDBG programs.	For additional information, visit ORCA's website at: http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Community+Development/
ORCA Community Development (CD) Fund	Competitive Grant: For public facility needs such as sewer and water system improvements, street and drainage improvements and housing activities.	Allocates additional Community Development Block Grant funds among 24 state planning regions based on priorities in the planning regions. The funds can be used for sewer and water system improvements, street and drainage improvements, housing activities.	Cities under 50,000 in population and counties that have a non-metropolitan population under 200,000 and are not eligible for direct CDBG funding from HUD. The same application submitted under this program are considered for funding under the CDS Fund.	For additional information, visit ORCA's website at: http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Community+Development/ Grants are awarded on a biennial competitive basis with minimum single and multi-jurisdiction of \$75,000 and maximum of \$800,000 for single and multi-jurisdiction.
ORCA Planning & Capacity Building (PCB) Fund	Competitive Grant: For local public facility and housing planning activities.	Local planning needs, assess local needs, build or improve local capacity, or develop strategies to address local needs in order to identify long and short term needs and to develop implementable strategies to address the identified community needs.	Cities under 50,000 in population and counties that have a non-metropolitan population under 200,000 and are not eligible for direct CDBG funding from HUD.	For additional information, visit ORCA's website at: http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Community+Development/ Grants are awarded on a biennial competitive basis through a statewide competition with a maximum award of \$50,000.

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ORCA Renewable Energy Demonstration Pilot Program (REDPP)	Grant	Installation of their own renewable energy project, i.e., installing wind turbines or solar panels to power wastewater treatment or water treatment facilities.		For additional information, visit ORCA's website at: http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Community+Development/ . Grant awards up to \$500,000 in CDBG funds.
ORCA Texas Small Towns Environment Program (STEP) Fund	Grant	Acquisition of real property related to the installation of water and sewer systems or improvements (easements, rights of way, etc.), ancillary repairs, installation of facilities to provide first-time water and sewer service, plumbing improvements associated with providing water or sewer service to a housing unit, reasonable associated engineering services costs, sewer or water taps and water meters, water or sewer connection fees and connections (for low and moderate income persons)	Cities under 50,000 in population and counties that have a non-metropolitan population under 200,000 and are not eligible for direct CDBG funding from HUD.	For additional information, visit ORCA's website at: http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Community+Development/ . Applications are accepted twice per year as long as funds are available. After all projects are ranked, only those that can be fully funded will be awarded a grant. Maximum grant award is \$350,000.
ORCA State Office of Rural Health grants and scholarships	Grants and Scholarship program: For multiple uses as they relate to rural health	ORCA provides services to increase access to primary care and strengthen rural health infrastructure and systems. These services include: Rural Hospital Designation, Healthcare Continuing Education Services, Rural Physician Relief Program, Emergency Services District Information.	Eligibility varies depending on grant/scholarship	For information on different ORCA State Office of Rural Health programs visit: http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/Rural+Health/

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Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC) Project Development Assistance Program (PDAP)	Grant: Intended to help communities develop projects to achieve BECC/North American Development Bank (NADB) Board certified.	Technical Assistance is intended to help communities develop their project to the level required for certification: Environmental Information Document, technical, economic and financial feasibility studies, preliminary and final design studies, public participation program, institutional capacity building.	Sponsor needs to have the authority to provide water and/or wastewater as well as operate the facility.	The BECC in cooperation with EPA and NADB issue request for applications on a 2-year cycle, with the next cycle to take place in Fiscal Year 2010/2011. For information visit the BECC web site at: http://www.cocef.org/
North American Development Bank (NADB) Border Environment Infrastructure Fund (BEIF)	Funded by U.S. EPA, this program offers grant financing for the implementation of municipal drinking water and wastewater infrastructure projects located within 100 kilometers (62 miles) of the U.S.-Mexico Border.	The grant funds can be used as construction assistance and/or transition assistance to implement drinking water and wastewater infrastructure projects. The project has to receive BECC/NADB Board certification to be eligible for assistance.	Sponsor needs to have the authority to provide water and/or wastewater as well as operate the facility.	The BEIF fund is administered by the NADB. For further information on the program visit the NADB web site at: http://www.nadb.org/programs/descriptions/beif.html
NADB loan program	Loan: NADB can make loans to public and private borrowers, at market and low-interest rates, for the implementation of environmental infrastructure projects located in the U.S.-Mexico border region.	Loans area available for the implementation of projects in all environmental sectors which the NADB operates. Any project regardless of community size or project cost. See project eligibility next.	The project must be located within 100 km (62 miles) in each side of the U.S.-Mexico Border area. It must remedy an environmental and/or human health problem. It must be certified by the BECC/NADB Board.	For the NADB loan program information, visit the NADB web site at: http://www.nadb.org/programs/descriptions/loan_guaranty.html . Information and application information can be found at this link.

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NADB Solid Waste Environmental Program (SWEPE)	Grant: Financing for the implementation of municipal solid waste projects located in the U.S.-Mexico border region.	Support the financing and construction of sustainable solid waste infrastructure projects. SWEPE also serves to strengthen the ability of border communities to provide municipal solid waste collection, transfer, transportation and disposal services in a sustainable and fiscally responsible manner.	The project must be located within 100 km (62 miles) in each side of the U.S.-Mexico Border area. It must be certified by the BECC/NADB Board. All projects must include measures to ensure their environmental, financial and operational sustainability. Proper design and operation, as well as the cooperation of regulatory agencies, will be essential to ensure environmental sustainability.	For the NADB SWEPE program information, visit the NADB web site at: http://www.nadb.org/programs/descriptions/swep.html . Information and application information can be found at this link.
NADB Project Development Program (PDP)	PDP grant assistance: With the purpose to help utilities in border communities with the planning and design of environmental infrastructure projects that will be submitted to the BECC for certification and to the NADB for financing. Grants may be awarded in amounts up to \$200,000.	Used for final design, master plans, environmental assessments, facility plans, feasibility studies, needs assessments, financial analyses, geological studies, preparation of BECC certification documents.	The project must be located within 100 km (62 miles) in each side of the U.S.-Mexico Border area. It must be certified by the BECC/NADB Board.	For the NADB PDP program information, visit the NADB web site at: http://www.nadb.org/programs/descriptions/pdp.html . Information and application information can be found at this link.
Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) Contract for Deed Conversion Program	Contract: For deed conversions for families that reside in a colonia and earn 60 percent or less of the Applicable Area Median Family Income (AMFI) and convert no less than 400 contracts for deed into traditional mortgages.	Convert the contract deeds into traditional mortgages and rehabilitate the homes (bringing the homes up to Colonia Housing Standards).	Properties proposed for this initiative must be located in a colonia as identified by the Texas Water Development Board colonia list or meet the Department's definition.	For additional information on the Contract for Deed Conversion Program from TDHCA, visit the following web site at: http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/oci/cfdc.jsp

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TDHCA Colonia Self Help Center (SHC) Program	Technical Assistance: Provide concentrated on-site technical assistance to low and very low-income individuals and families in a variety of ways.	Technical assistance including housing, community development activities, infrastructure improvements, outreach and education.	Available to eligible units of local governments. The Department must enter into contract with each affected county government.	For additional information on the SHC Program from TDHCA, visit the following web site at: http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/oci/centers/index.jsp

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Program	Planning & Design	Construction	Operations & Maintenance	Technical Assistance	Loans	Private-for-Profit
FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program	■					
HUD Community Development Block Formula Grant Entitlement Communities Grant		■		■		
USDA Rural Development Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants	■	■	■		■	
USDA Rural Development Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants (ECWAG)	■			■		
EPA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)	■	■			■	■
EPA Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)	■	■			■	
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Utility and District Assistance				■		
TWDB Economically Distressed Area Program (EDAP) for water and sewer service	■	■		■	■	
TWDB Colonia Self-Help Program (SHP) for water and sewer service		■		■		
TWDB Water Infrastructure Fund (WIF)					■	
TWDB Water and wastewater loan program (Development FundII)	■	■			■	
ORCA Colonia Construction (CFC) Fund		■				
ORCA Colonia Economically Distressed Areas Program (CEDAP) Fund		■				

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ORCA Colonia Fund - Planning	■					
ORCA Texas Community Development Block Grant Program		■				
ORCA Community Development (CD) Fund		■				
ORCA Planning & Capacity Building (PCB) Fund	■			■		
ORCA Renewable Energy Demonstration Pilot Program (REDPP)		■				
ORCA Texas Small Towns Environment Program (STEP) Fund	■	■		■		
ORCA State Office of Rural Health grants and scholarships				■		
BECC Project Development Assistance Program (PDAP)	■			■		
NADB Border Environment Infrastructure Fund (BEIF)		■				
NADB loan program		■			■	■
NADB Solid Waste Environmental Program (SWEP)		■				
NADB Project Development Program (PDP)	■				■	
TDHCA Colonia Self Help Center (SHC) Program		■		■		

CONTACT INFORMATION

FEDERAL

Federal Government Grants
www.grants.gov
www.cfda.gov

FEMA
(800) 621-3362, (800) 462-7585 (Hearing impaired)
<http://www.fema.gov/>

HUD (Texas)
(817) 978-5965
<http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=tx>

USDA Rural Development
(254) 742-9700
<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/>

EPA
(800) 887-6063
<http://www.epa.gov/>

EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline
(800) 426-4791

STATE

State Procurement Offices
www.window.state.tx.us

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
(512) 239-1000
<http://www.tceq.state.tx.us/>
Texas Water Development Board
(512) 463-7847
http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/assistance/financial/financial_main.asp

Office of Rural Community Affairs
(800) 544-2042
<http://www.orca.state.tx.us/index.php/colonias>

TDHCA
<http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/overview.htm>

NON-GOVERNMENT

Border Environment Cooperation Commission
(877) 277-1703
<http://www.cocef.org>

North American Development Bank
(210) 231-8000
<http://www.nadb.org>