



## EEDC Report

April 2025

1. Work on the Spirit of Eden Fund for Art Murals has begun.
2. Met with Texas Farm Bureau to plan an Easter egg Hunt with games and a Pinata and coordinated with the City of Eden along with the Catholic Fathers Fish Fry to be held on Good Friday. This event was well attended by our community and the Fish was delicious as always!
3. Attended the City of Eden monthly City Council and gave a report from the EEDC.
4. April Farmers Market, City Wide Garage Sale was well attended. The music was great and we are looking forward to our next Market on May 10<sup>th</sup>
5. Waiting for USDA grant announcements - One for the Warehouse Renovations and one for Texas Downtown Assessment and strategic Plan.
6. Governor's Achievement Award Grant for Keep Eden Beautiful – we received 2<sup>nd</sup> place
7. LoBoz, LLC IRP loan Application completed. Worked with Clients and the Eden State Bank to complete all necessary documentation.
8. Participated in a Texas Film Friendly webinar. Will be updating pictures and videos on their website.
9. Attended and reported information at the Eden Chamber of Commerce Luncheon
10. Working on application for the Certification Program- Texas Friendly Tourism have completed 3 of the 4 steps. Waiting on Proclamation from the Mayor and 2 letters of support.
11. Met with a potential Client about a small business grant.
12. Met with James Rannefeld, President of EHPA to work on an agreement to annex some museum items into the warehouse.
13. Meeting with EHPA and EEDC coordinator on a possible Fundraising event.
14. Participated and helped plan the Keep Texas Beautiful Trash-Off on April 26<sup>th</sup> with the Eden Beautification Committee. We are so proud of our community and we had lots of volunteers show up! The EEDC Volunteer Group won the most unique item found! This event was a collaborative effort that went well. I am so proud to be part of a community that works together!
15. Participated in a Webinar with the Texas Strategic Plan for Economic Development through the Governor's Office for the next 5 years.
16. Participated in a webinar with the Texas Workforce Commission on Apprenticeship program.

### **Business Spotlight for May: Eden Community Child Care Center**

On May 25th, the Eden Community Child Care Center will celebrate 26 years of service. The Eden Economic Development Corporation (EEDC) played a crucial role in funding the initial start-up costs and has continued to support the daycare whenever needed throughout these years.