



Los Fresnos Community Development Corporation (LFCDC)
A Texas 4B EDC, MARCH 3rd Board Meeting Report
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Economic Development:

Businesses and area residents looking for sites, information, or technical assistance:

Small BIZ inquiries and home sites in FEBRUARY 2025	<u> 14 </u> - per month
New or expanding commercial business permits submitted (3-New)	<u> 3 </u> - this month
Total new residential brick homes construction plans and permits submitted	<u> 9 </u> - this month
Total wood frames homes construction plans and permits submitted	<u> 0 </u> - this month
Total duplexes construction plans and permits (duplexes <u> 0 </u> or <u> 0 </u> apts.)	<u> 0 </u> - this month
LFCDC Business matching grants inquiries.	<u> 3 </u> - this month

(Note: Information above from Los Fresnos Permits Office.)

LFCDC R&D and business outreach:

- The gas company is presently relocating a main gas line on Texas Hwy 100 at a prime business location on Old Alice Road and Hwy 100 corner. This infrastructure upgrade and action has already excited interests of new businesses and realtors looking for prime sites and new investments opportunities in the Los Fresnos market.
- To date, 160 business packets have been mailed to regional and South Texas banks, county, state and federal officials, investment managers and regional businesses. Follow-up visits are scheduled to report the business outlook views of these regional and local business leaders and report back to the Board.
- CDCB reports that they will be building 20 new affordable homes in the California Road area within the city limits. The first 2 new home permits are reported above. Assisted the CDCB, that has a plant in Los Fresnos, in getting local support for a Texas Senate Budget Committee rider for \$15,000,000 for South Texas rural communities to apply to the Texas Department of Agriculture for infrastructure grants for single family housing subdivisions. This will help expand the plant operations in Los Fresnos and create more construction jobs.

LFCDC Sponsored Promotion and expanding the city Brand:

- ❖ Earth Day 2025 kick-off meeting was held to assign tasks to all committee members. This year's Earth Day will be held at the Nature Park and Caracara Trails on Saturday, April 12th from 9 AM to 12 PM.
- ❖ 2025 Los Fresnos Rodeo reports that this year's 3-day event attendance promoted for the last 90 days throughout the RGV was very well attended. The business sponsors and regional promotion of Los Fresnos was a 100% success and growing. The Los Fresnos Rodeo and Livestock Show continues to make this city a visitors and tourists destination. We are "country flavor" and a Texas model of a city and volunteers working together.

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