

OVERVIEW OF EDA ARPA PROGRAMS

PROGRAM	NATIONAL	AURO REGION	DESCRIPTION
<u>TRAVEL, TOURISM, & OUTDOOR RECREATION</u>	\$750 MILLION	STATE - TEXAS: \$12,156,922 AURO: 10-15 Grants avg \$1-1.5M/each	Invest in infrastructure, technical assistance, planning, and revolving loan programs through competitive grants available to every community. Focus: create a destination for tourism.
<u>GOOD JOBS CHALLENGE</u>	\$500 MILLION	No specific Regional Allocation	Establish or strengthen regional systems to train workers with in-demand skills through employer-driven training, supporting participants with wrap-around services and employer commitments to hire. EDA will fund proposals within the following three phases, as applicable to regional needs: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. System Development: Help establish and develop a regional workforce training system comprised of multiple sector partnerships 2. Program Design: Develop the skills training curriculum and materials, and secure technical expertise needed to train workers 3. Program Implementation: Implement non-construction projects needed to provide workforce training and connect workers with quality jobs, including wrap-around services
<u>BUILD BACK BETTER REGIONAL CHALLENGE</u>	\$1 BILLION	PHASE 1: \$500,000 PER AWARD (<i>no match required</i>) AURO Goal: 10-12 TA Awards	Program is designed to bring together a coalition of regional partners to transform that region's economy. It requires that this coalition submit 3-8 tightly aligned projects that work under a singular vision to support the growth of a local industry or industries . These projects should be transformational to the identified region. (Region does not have to be the 16-county NCTCOG region)
		PHASE 2: \$25-75M per region; open to up to \$100M (<i>80/20 match</i>) AURO Goal: 5-6 Awards	
<u>ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE</u>	\$500 MILLION <i>(\$200M of \$500M is committed to Coal Communities)</i>	AURO: 25 - 30 Grants avg \$2 - 2.5M/each	Invest in infrastructure, technical assistance, planning, and revolving loan programs through competitive grants available to every community.
<u>STATEWIDE PLANNING, RESEARCH, & NETWORKS</u>	\$90 MILLION	\$5 MILLION	Invest in economic plans, research to assess the effectiveness of EDA's programs, and support for stakeholder communities around key EDA initiatives.
<u>INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES</u>	\$100 MILLION	AURO: 7 – 10 Grants Avg \$2.5M/each	Additional Economic Adjustment Assistance funds to specifically support Indigenous communities.

* **AURO** - Austin Region 6 includes Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and New Mexico