Williamson County is centrally located in Texas just north of Travis County and the State Capitol in Austin. Its major cities are Round Rock, Cedar Park, Georgetown, Leander, Taylor, and Hutto.

Williamson County is home to growing communities, thriving restaurants and businesses, and diverse natural resources.

History

The County was organized in 1848 and named for Robert M. Williamson, pioneer leader and veteran of the Battle of San Jacinto. He was a newspaper publisher, lawyer, judge, and state legislator. Because of a childhood illness, one of his legs was bent back, and he also had a wooden leg extending from the knee, giving him the nickname “Three-Legged Willie.”

Organization

Williamson County is a political subdivision of the State of Texas. It has no legislative powers and restrictive judicial and administrative powers. The governing body of the County is the Commissioners Court. The Court is comprised of the County Judge and four Commissioners elected by their precincts. One of the primary duties of the Court is to adopt the county budget and adopt the tax rate. The tax rate for 2019 is $0.458719 per $100 of valuation.

Growth

Williamson County is currently the 4th fastest growing county in the State of Texas and the 9th fastest in the United States.

County Budget & Employees

The County annual budget is $221,049,620 for the general fund. The County employs 1,780 people, with the largest number being in law enforcement.

Health Ranking

Williamson County is ranked 6th healthiest county in Texas among the 244 ranked counties in Texas. All counties are ranked using a variety of data factors, which measure the rate of education, housing, crime, employment, unhealthy behaviors, and exercise.

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FACTS

Area
1,135 square miles

Population
590,551

Median Income:
$83,679

Home value
$245,100

(*Numbers taken from US Census 2019)

For more information, visit: www.wilco.org