

Texas Rural Leadership Journal:

Texas Alliance of Rural Practitioners (TARP)

COLLEGE STATION, TX – The Texas Rural Leadership Program (TRLP) highlights TARP as a likeminded group of individuals. This is a network of rural professional practitioners. Their purpose is to be a sounding board for foundations who fund rural projects and programs, and they are an organized advocacy group for a stronger, healthier, vibrant, and better existence in rural Texas. Formed in May of 2019, Texas Alliance of Rural Practitioners seeks to improve the quality of life in rural communities/areas and to build action upon its positive network all across Texas.

A few concern areas to TARP are:

- Rural healthcare
- Rural natural resource depletion and care, including water
- Rural education opportunities
- Rural community development
- Rural poverty
- Rural race and ethnicity issues
- Rural workforce and employment
- Rural downtown revitalization and local economic prosperity incentives
- Rural policy issues
- The future of agriculture in Texas
- Food deserts
- Unfunded mandates
- Eminent domain
- Rural transportation
- Rural aging populations and brain-drain with the flight of youth

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