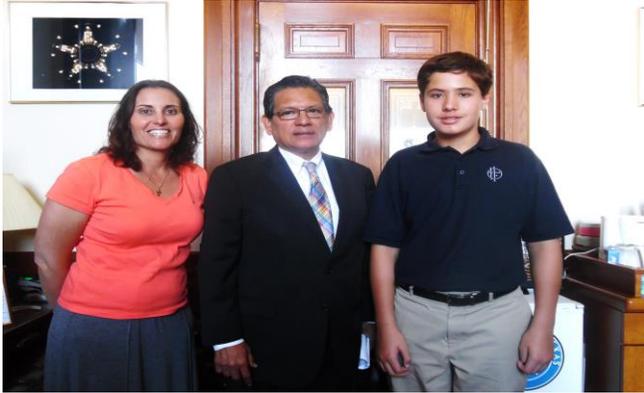


Texas Representative Roberto R. Alonzo's

Capitol Report



Zachary McKenna, a 7th grader at a local middle school and his mother Elizabeth McKenna met with Rep. Alonzo this week. As part of a career day class project Zachary chose to visit the Capitol and visit with a lawmaker. During his visit he shared with Rep. Alonzo his interest in law, expressing that legislating encouraged him to do his career day project about a legislator. Zachary also told Rep. Alonzo he picked him to interview because he was interested in speaking to a Latino legislator.



Rep. Alonzo met with members of the American Heart Association (AHA), including Ms. Texas AHA. AHA aims to educate people about cardiovascular diseases and strokes. On this particular day they discussed HB 1485, a bill that would establish a grant and loan program to bring new grocery stores to underserved communities as well as support renovation and expansion of existing stores to ensure access to fresh fruits, vegetables, meat, dairy, poultry and seafood products.

**2015 Texas Foundations Fund Application Now Available:
Housing Grants for Nonprofit Organizations Serving Low-Income Texans**

Application and Guidelines

The 2015 Texas Foundations Fund application is now available. The Texas Foundations Fund, a program of the Texas State Affordable Housing Corporation, provides grants ranging from \$15,000 to \$50,000 to support nonprofits and rural government entities that provide eligible housing services to very low-income Texans.

Organizations interested in submitting an application should complete the following steps:

1. Read the [2015 Texas Foundations Fund Guidelines](#), which include a detailed description of eligibility requirements.
2. Complete the [eligibility quiz](#).
3. If you pass the eligibility quiz, click [here](#) to access the online application.



*Rev. C.L. Taylor, Pastor, Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church, Grand Prairie is
"Pastor of the Day", Wed, April 22*

The Texas House of Representatives was blessed to have the **Rev. C.L. Taylor**, pastor of **Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church** lead the invocation and opening prayer for Wednesday's floor session. In both the House and Senate each lawmaker is allowed to invite or select a pastor from his/her district to be the **Pastor of the Day**.

Rev. Taylor's church is located in Rep. Alonzo's House District 104 in Grand Prairie.

[Photo left: Rep. Alonzo stands with Rev. Taylor on the House floor after his invocation for the day]