



2024 INTERIM UPDATE

TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



CANDY NOBLE
DISTRICT 89

Dear Friends,

I love serving on your behalf in the Texas House of Representatives!

Texas is the best place in the world to live, work and raise a family. Texans so enjoy doing a little Texas bragging on occasion. Actually, I do some BIG Texas bragging, because that's the Texas-sized way to do it. Our Texas economy is bigger than that of Canada, Russia, South Korea, and Australia! We are the world's eighth largest economy.

The 89th Session of the Texas Legislature will convene on January 14, and will end on June 2. Now is the time we must lay the ground work for our continued success as a state. It is up to us to keep Texas, well, Texas.

It has been a busy interim (the time between legislative sessions). Serving on two very active committees is an honor, and keeps me in Austin a great deal. In the House Human Services Committee we are working on improving our Foster Care system, our Child Protective Services, and the Medicaid procurement process, which definitely needs some revisions. In the House Ways and Means Committee we are looking at the Property Tax Relief bill's implementation and for additional ways to continue to lower Property Taxes for all Texans. It was exciting to work as part of the team on last session's historic bill that lowered property taxes. We expect to do more to continue lowering Property Taxes in the 89th Legislative Session.

One of the requirements we have in our Texas Constitution is that the Legislature must pass a balanced budget for the following two years. Our spending limits are iron-clad and must be within the anticipated available funds. We cannot raise spending beyond population growth plus inflation. I will fight, as I always do, to make sure every penny we spend as a state is needed and necessary, always keeping in mind that it's not the state's money, it is your money.

Since planning for the next legislative session is now underway, your input on the issues that are most important to you is vital. As a resident of House District 89, it would be helpful for you to take a few minutes to fill out the survey included in this update. Some of the most important bills that we've worked to pass into law have come about because a constituent like you brought an issue to our attention.

Thank you for the privilege and honor of serving as your State Representative. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office if we can be of service.

God Bless Texas.

Candy Noble

★ BORDER CRISIS UPDATE ★

The Federal Government for the past four years allowed unfettered border crossings into Texas which put a strain on many of our state’s resources and endangered our citizens, so Texas has stepped up to protect our border. Texas has twenty-nine ports of entry, more than any other state, where people of other lands may come in legally and be processed for visiting or working in the United States.

In just the last three years over 7.2 million people from other countries have crossed the southern border of our nation outside of those allowed points of entry. To give you a perspective, this is more than the population of 36 states in the US. It is more than three times the population of Houston, which is the 4th largest city in America.

By the end of 2025 our Texas legislature will have spent over \$11 billion of Texas tax dollars protecting our border by law enforcement personnel, in prosecuting human and drug traffickers, and building (as of this writing) almost 200 miles of physical barrier.

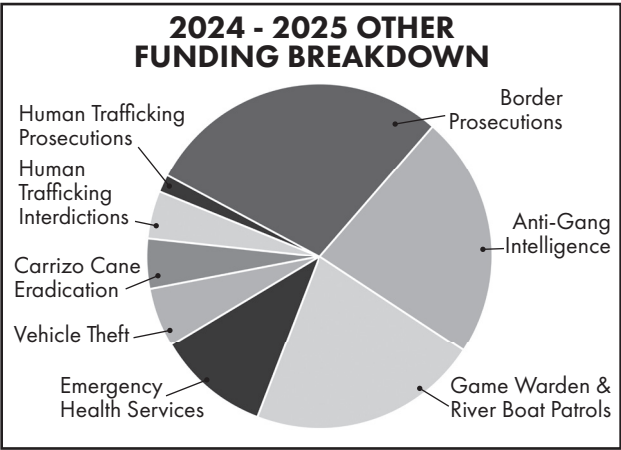
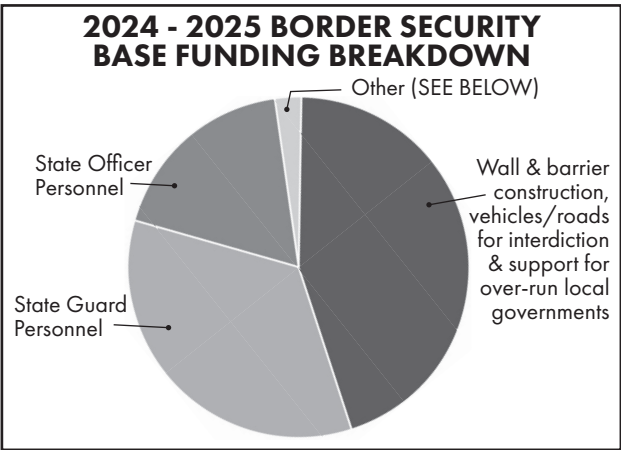
And it is working! In 2021 Texas began Operation Lone Star. Texas personnel now detect and fend off illegal crossings, arrest human smugglers and cartel gang members, and stop the flow of fentanyl and other drugs into our state. While our federal government turns a blind eye to this crisis, Texas is actually holding the line. Our interdiction has resulted in over 513,100 illegal immigrants apprehended, more than 43,700 criminal arrests, over 37,900 felony charges, over 481 million lethal doses of fentanyl seized, and in 2023 alone, 150 people on the FBI’s terror watch list were apprehended at our nation’s southern border. These efforts resulted in a 74% decline in unlawful entries into our state.



Texas House Members joined Governor Abbott to witness the border crisis first hand and the efforts Texas is taking to secure the border.

★ TEXAS COMMITMENT TO SECURE OUR BORDER ★

AGENCY	TASK	FUNDING
Office of the Governor	Wall & barrier construction, vehicles/roads for interdiction & support for over-run local governments	\$2.92 billion
Texas Military Department	State Guard Personnel	\$2.26 billion
Department of Public Safety	State Officer Personnel	\$1.19 billion
Office of Court Administration	Border Prosecutions	\$44.8 million
Texas Department of Criminal Justice	Anti-Gang Intelligence	\$35.9 million
Texas Parks & Wildlife	Game Warden Personnel & River Patrol	\$33.6 million
Department of State Health Services	Emergency Health Services	\$16.4 million
Texas Department of Motor Vehicles	Vehicle Theft	\$8.8 million
Soil & Water Conservation Board	Carrizo Cane Eradication	\$7.2 million
Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission	Border Human Trafficking Interdictions	\$6.9 million
Office of the Attorney General	Human Trafficking Prosecutions	\$2.6 million



To date, more than \$11 billion has been appropriated for Operation Lone Star.

★ READY TO SERVE YOU ★

My staff and I are here to serve you. Constituents of House District 89 are encouraged to contact my Capitol and District offices for assistance on state issues. We can also help you with:

- Researching Legislative Information
- Arranging Capitol Tours
- Assisting with State Agencies
- Ordering Congratulatory Certificates, Resolutions, and Texas Flags

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions, comments, or concerns!



Rep. Noble was honored to nominate Mia Houle of Murphy for the Texas Armed Services Scholarship.

★ HOUSE DISTRICT 89 CONSTITUENT SURVEY ★

**I would be pleased to hear from you. You can respond by using the QR code,
or please feel free to email at Candy.Noble@house.texas.gov**

Be sure to include your name, address and phone number. I would like to know what issues are most important to you.

Please prioritize the importance of the following issues and budget items:

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| • Border Protection | • Combating the Fentanyl Crisis |
| • Constitutional Liberties | • Mental Health |
| • Cut Government Redtape | • Protecting Children from Predators |
| • Economic Stability | • Property Tax Relief |
| • Education Funding | • Public Safety |
| • Parental Education Empowerment | • Religious Freedom |
| • Electric Grid Reliability | • Sanctity of Life |
| • Healthcare | • Transportation |
| • Human Trafficking Prevention | • Other |



Luke McClure, of Parker, serving as an Honorary Page on the House Floor.

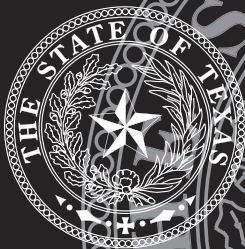
★ HONORARY PAGE PROGRAM ★

The Texas House of Representatives has a long-held tradition of hosting the Honorary Page Program for young Texans. Each legislative session, I have the privilege of sponsoring students from across District 89 to serve as Honorary Pages.

During their half-day of service, Pages carry out various duties on the floor of the Texas House and throughout the Capitol Building. If you have a student between the age of 8 and 18 interested in serving as an Honorary Page in the upcoming 89th Legislature, please contact my office 512.463.0186. You may also email me at Candy.Noble@house.texas.gov.

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Committees: Ways and Means • Human Services • Sustainable Property Tax Relief, Select Study
• Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Community Based Care Transition

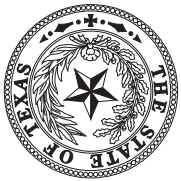
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GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 2024

OCTOBER 7, 2024

DEADLINE TO
REGISTER TO VOTE

OCTOBER 21, 2024

EARLY VOTING BEGINS

NOVEMBER 1, 2024

EARLY VOTING ENDS

NOVEMBER 5, 2024

ELECTION DAY



Rep. Noble, her husband and their family.