



CANCER PREVENTION & RESEARCH  
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# Prevention Advisory Committee Recommendations

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# CPRIT Prevention Program Impact to Date

## Purpose

- Prevent or reduce the risk of cancer, detect it early, mitigate cancer effects through delivery of evidence-based interventions
- Fund programs and services aimed to help those in most need
- Build capacity to deliver programs by promoting innovations and best practices across Texas

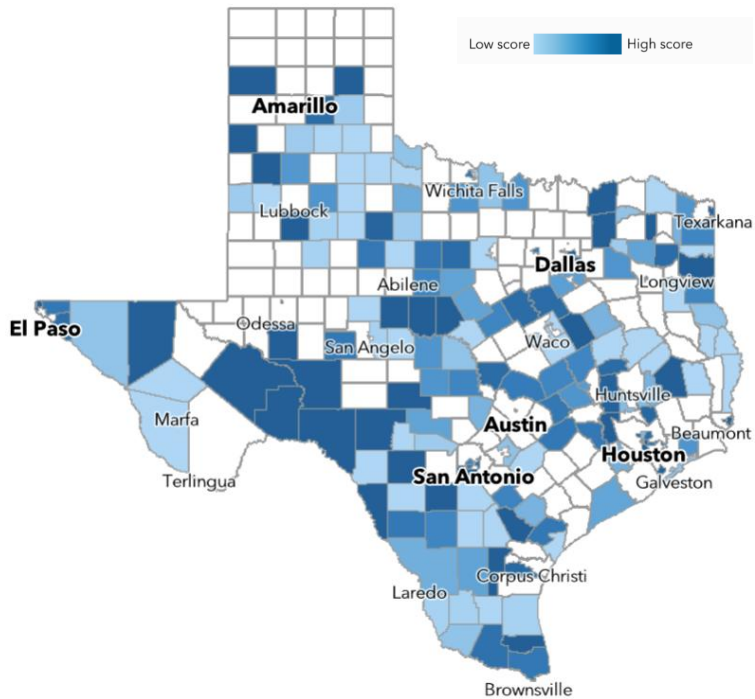
**317 Grants - \$407 Million**

**58 Institutions and community organizations**

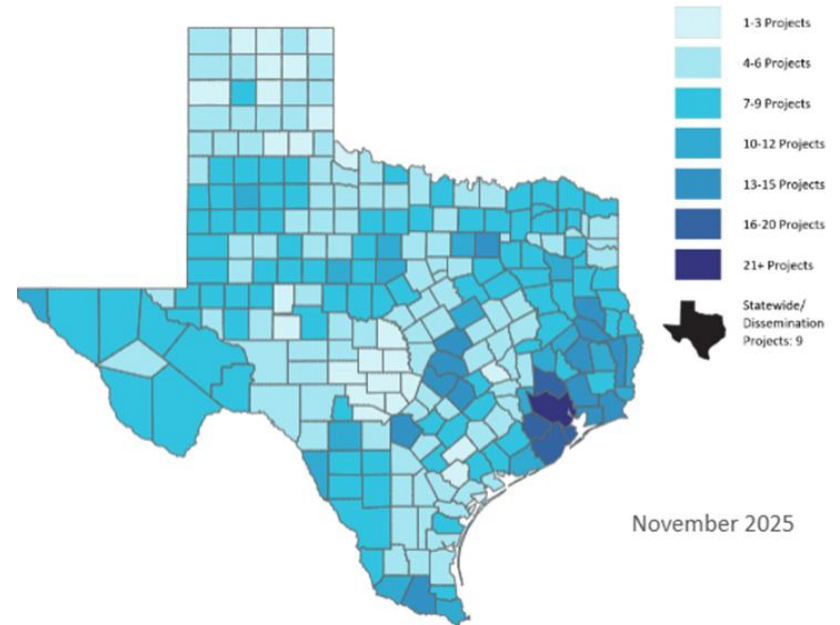
- Delivered Over 11.2 Million Education and Clinical Services
- 54,000+ cancers and cancer precursors detected
- More than 445,000 Texans received their first cancer screenings through CPRIT-funded projects
- At least one CPRIT prevention project is available in every Texas county
- More than 2.2M screening and diagnostic tests provided for breast, colon, lung, cervical cancers
- \$27.82 in treatment costs saved with every \$1 spent on cancer prevention



# Reach within Medically Underserved Counties



Medically Underserved Counties



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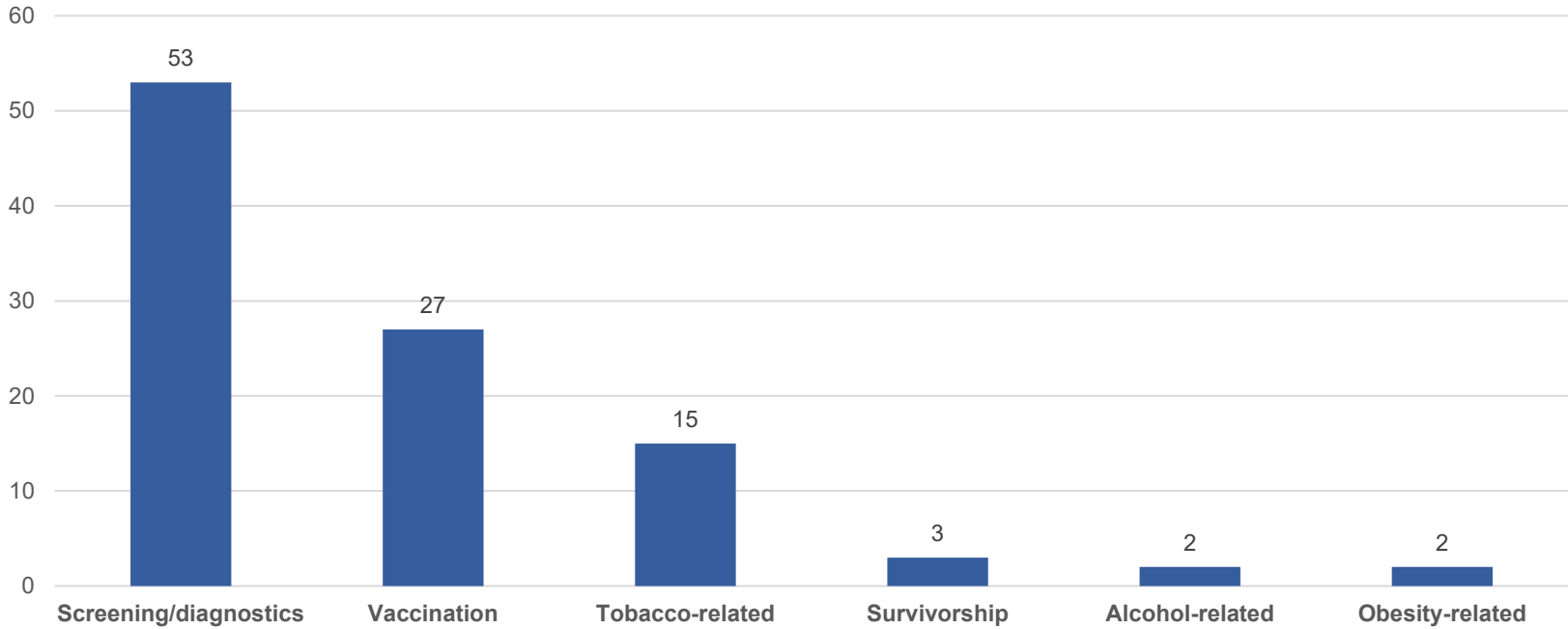
Active Grants in the CPRIT Prevention Portfolio

Texas Parks & Wildlife: <https://www.tabc.texas.gov/public-information/data-archives/>

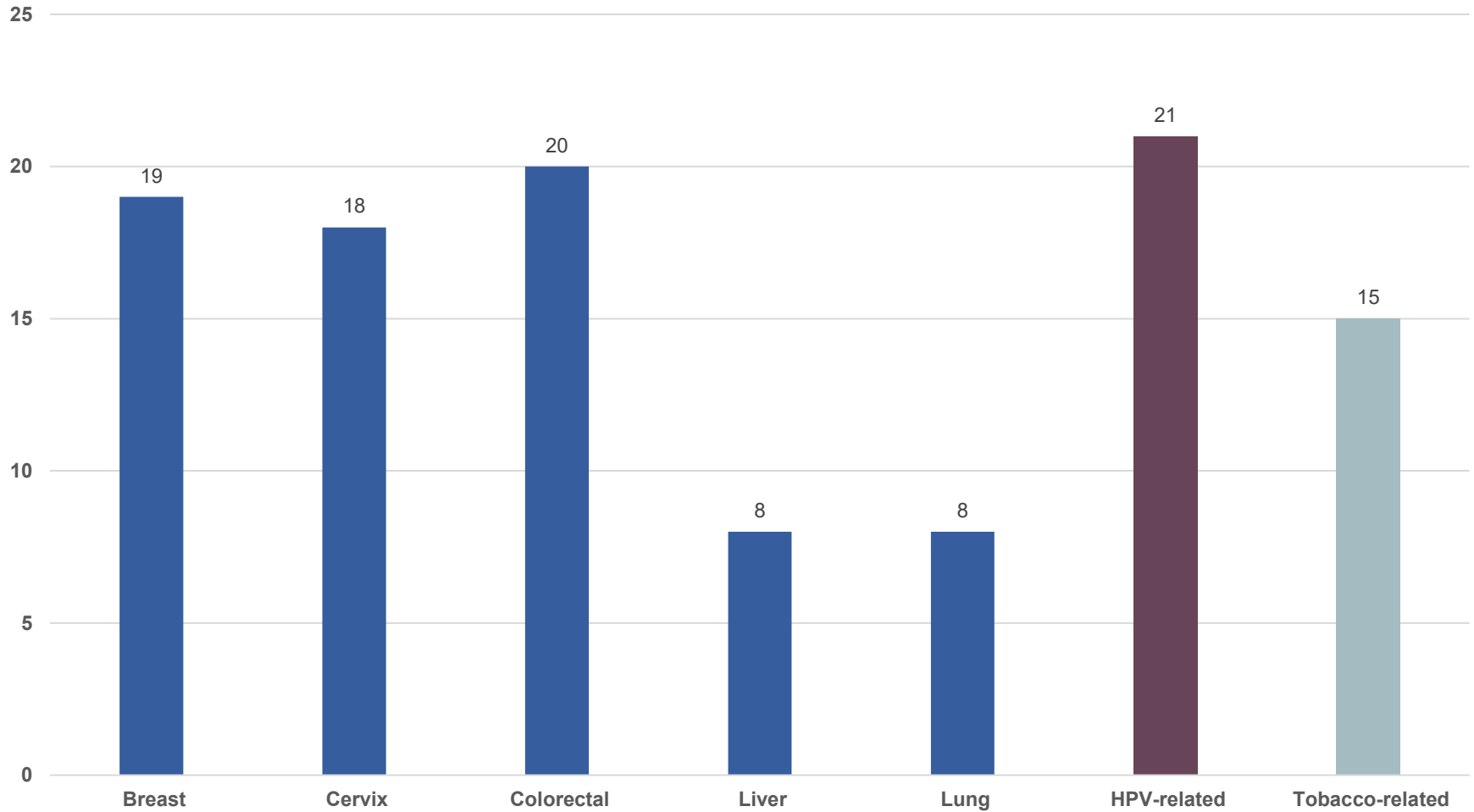
CPRIT Prevention Programs fund programs in all 254 counties in Texas including all Medically Underserved Counties



# Number of Active Projects by Focus Area



# Number of Active Projects by Cancer Type(s)



# PAC FY26 Recommendations

- ✓ Accelerate Research and Capacity in Prevention and Control Research
  - Next Steps: CPRIT Team will continue to identify opportunities for bridging CPRIT's Academic Research and Prevention Program to accelerate research and capacity in prevention and control research
- ✓ Facilitate the development of a comprehensive statewide cancer prevention, early detection, and access to care strategy aligned to the Texas Cancer Plan
  - Next steps: Aligned to CPRIT's statute, implement, monitor, and revise the Texas Cancer Plan
- Scale ongoing efforts to promote collaboration, sharing of resources, experiences and best practices across a diverse array of organizations
  - Next steps: Increase efforts in FY27
- Launch another statewide screening RFA that can promote collaboration, sharing of resources, experiences and best practices across a diverse array of organizations
  - Hold on this recommendation until FY28



# PAC FY27 Recommendations

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- **Focus on Collaboration:** Scale ongoing efforts to promote collaboration, sharing of resources, experiences and best practices across a diverse array of organizations
- **Align across Mechanisms:** Identify opportunities to create synergy across funding mechanisms within the Prevention Program (e.g., education about healthy eating as a part of a breast cancer screening program)
- **Promote Impact:** Find opportunities to promote the successes and impact of the Prevention Program across Texas and in the US



# Insights from CPRIT Grantees

*“There is no question that... we're building a pattern of regular screening into a population that wasn't getting it... [Our work] is actually shifting the behavior of an entire population of people who are at-risk.” – CPRIT Program Grantee*



# Insights from CPRIT Grantees

“We focus on the underserved and the under and uninsured and we really try to reach the rural areas of [Texas]. At last count, **we're providing prevention services to 50 counties, which is essentially the geographic size of the state of West Virginia.**” – CPRIT Program Director



# Insights from CPRIT Grantees

**“We're actually saving Texans money by finding early-stage cancers rather than late-stage cancers... show a return on investment, and it's going to say for every dollar [CPRIT] invests in the program, we saved the state of Texas between five and six dollars.”– CPRIT Program Grantee**



# Insights from CPRIT Grantees

***“One factor that really helped us is collaboration with other groups because we realize this is something that we cannot do by ourselves alone. We expanded the initial coverage of the grant to include over 26 counties. So now we're covering about 32 counties... To cover that wide range of counties, we need partners on multiple levels, partners with physician offices, partners with home health services” – CPRIT Program Grantee***

- Examples of CPRIT Collaboration in Action
  - CONNECT (Colorectal Cancer)
    - [PP250009](#)
  - Prevention Tobacco/Lung Cancer Collaborative
    - Learning collaborative among CPRIT-funded programs to help encourage lung cancer screening with a focus on underserved patients
  - All for Them Program
    - [PP250072](#), [PP240030](#), [PP230033](#), [PP200017](#)
    - Houston -> Ft. Worth -> San Antonio



# Questions & Answers