



El Paso County

The budget cuts proposed by the Texas legislature will have devastating consequences for El Paso county. Below are just some of the worst cuts to healthcare, public safety, education, and our local economy.

HEALTH CARE: *Medicaid provides health coverage for low income children, pregnant women, and our elderly in nursing homes. Rate and funding cuts will hurt doctors and patients.*

Residents enrolled in Medicaid, April 2011:	15,368
Proposed cut to Medicaid:	\$30,414,384

PUBLIC SAFETY: *Correctional officers, parole officers, and reentry programs help people turn their lives around and keep our communities safe.*

Proposed cut to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice:	\$15,021,034
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EDUCATION: *Education is the greatest tool we can give our children for future success. Fewer teachers and larger classes means we're starting our children off on the wrong foot.*

Total education funding lost:	\$40,187,714
Total education jobs lost:	1,000 jobs lost

LOCAL ECONOMIC IMPACT: *The loss of public jobs hurts our local economies. Public workers like teachers, CPS investigators, and public safety officers buy goods and services from local businesses which can cause private sector job loss. Proposed state worker furloughs could also pull millions from the local economy.*

In El Paso County the **6,304** state employees bring **\$205,432,587** in salary to the local economy. A 30 day state worker furlough would cost El Paso county **\$24,651,910** per year.

Job Loss:

Agency Job Loss from 3% lay off:	189
Agency Impact on Private Sector:	265
Proposed K-12 Public Ed. Job Loss:	1000
Impact on Private Sector:	1398

TOTAL POTENTIAL FINANCIAL LOSS: \$110,275,042

TOTAL POTENTIAL JOB LOSS: 2,852 jobs