

Infrastructure Issue and Public Policy

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Harris County is home to more than 4.7M residents, making it the fourth largest county in the nation. Within its bustling boundaries lies over 30 cities, one of the nation's most important lifelines – the Houston Ship Channel, America's most successful toll road – Harris County Toll Road Authority, the world's largest medical center, and the essential petrochemical plants that supply much of the region.

The County is led by five Commissioners Court members, four Commissioners and one County Judge, who determine tax rates and are responsible for allocating approximately \$6 billion worth of funding for pertinent services. These services include the criminal justice system, infrastructure, flood control, hospital district, public health, elections, and much more.

In addition to fiscal responsibilities, each County Commissioner is responsible for maintaining roads, bridges, drainage, parks, and providing Community Center programming within their jurisdictions. These offices also assist local law enforcement agencies during disasters, such as conducting high-water rescues during Hurricane Harvey, water distributions during the Winter Storm, and roadway clearing during wind events.

Ramsey is advocating for significant infrastructure investments, including tunnels to mitigate drainage, and resilient roadways.

Local government is important. It's where every vote counts. It's where the most impact is seen to quality of life. It's where the rubber meets the road in terms of taxpayer dollars.