

NASW TEXAS

2026 Election Information Guide



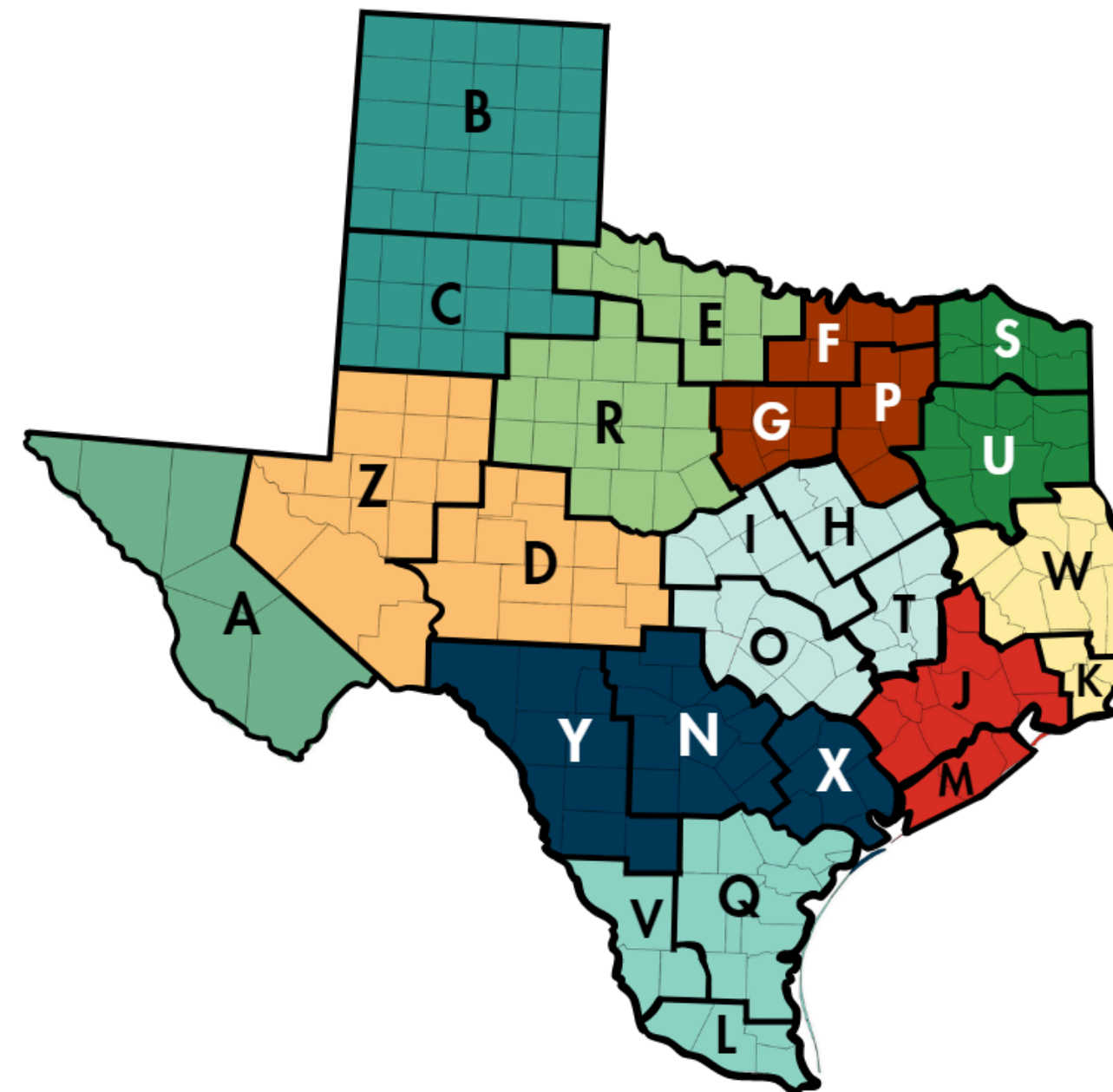
Find your **NASW-TX** Region & Branch!



naswtx.org/page/FindYourBranch

NASW Texas Branch and Regional Map

Branches are indicated by letter, Regions are indicated by color



NASW-TX Branches

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| A - Rio Grande | N - Alamo Area |
| B - Panhandle | O - Capital Area |
| C - South Plains | P - Dallas |
| D - Concho Valley | Q - Coastal Bend |
| E - Red River | R - West Central Texas |
| F - Texoma | S - North East Texas |
| G - Fort Worth | T - Brazos Valley |
| H - Heart of Texas | U - East Texas |
| I - Central Texas | V - South Texas |
| J - Houston | W - Deep East Texas |
| K - South East Texas | X - Golden Crescent |
| L - Lower Rio Grande Valley | Y - Middle Rio Grande Valley |
| M - Gulf Coast | Z - Permian Basin |

NASW-TX Regions

- Region 1
- Region 2
- Region 3
- Region 4
- Region 5
- Region 6
- Region 7
- Region 8
- Region 9
- Region 10
- Region 11



NASW Leadership Openings & Positions Review

Branch Chair

Who can be a Branch Chair & what do you do?

- Must be an NASW member in good standing, and will be nominated or appointed to the position
- At the local level you develop and support your fellow NASW-TX members through networking, legislative advocacy, & coordination of activities

Responsibilities

- Attend monthly zoom calls with other Branch Chairs
- Communicate with Board members on regular basis
- Communicate local activities to members, Board reps and Chapter staff
- Oversee financial activities at branch level
- Promote and attend state conferences (October)
- Attend the Sandra Lopez Leadership Institute (July)
- Term = 2 Years - no more than two consecutive terms
- Click [here](#) to learn more.

NLIC Branch Representative

Who can be a NLIC Branch Rep & what do you do?

- Must be an NASW member in good standing, and will be nominated or appointed to the position
- At a local level, identify candidates for NASW-TX positions, seek nominations for Social Work Month Awards, and act as a key member of the Branch Steering Committee

Responsibilities

- Ensure candidates paperwork is submitted by established timelines
- Present candidates for chapter elected and appointed positions to the committee
- Participate in the selection of branch chairs and NLIC representatives for slating
- Participate in the identification of potential TPACE appointments
- Participate in the identification of potential candidates for national positions
- Meet annually to select candidates and certify a completed ballot
- Chair a Branch level NLIC committee to select Branch steering committee members
- Participate in identifying nominations for Social Work Month Awards
- Term = 2 Years – not eligible for re-election
- Click [here](#) to learn more.

Regional Board Representative

Who can be a Regional Board Rep & what do you do?

- Must be an NASW member in good standing, and will be nominated or appointed to the position
- You serve as a liaison between your Branches and the NASW TX Board. You help approve NASW-TX policies, legislative agenda, and other important decisions affecting members and TX social workers

Responsibilities

- Maintain communication with membership via branch chairs
- Represent regional membership concerns to the full board
- Attend 4 quarterly board meetings, Virtual and In Person.
- Promote and attend state conferences (October)
- Attend the Sandra Lopez Leadership Institute (July)
- Participate in Board committees as assigned.
- Select, employ, and evaluate the Chapter Executive Director
- Term: 2 Years – no more than two consecutive terms
- Click [here](#) to learn more.

BSW & MSW Student Board Rep.

Who can be a Student Board Rep & what do you do?

- 1 BSW & 1 MSW student, must have 2 semesters left as of July 1
- You represent to the Board the concerns of BSW or MSW students. Alongside other Board Members, you help approve NASW-TX policies, legislative agenda, and other important decisions. You provide valuable input to the state conference planning committee about student affairs.

Responsibilities

- Attend 4 quarterly Board of Directors meetings
- Participate in the decision-making process to fulfill the chapter mission
- Serve on committees as requested by the President and provide input to the state conference planning committee about student affairs
- Represent to the board the issues and concerns of constituency, and advocates in constituents' best interests.
- Interpret board policies and decisions to membership.
- Term = 1 Year
- Click [here](#) to learn more.

Delegate Assembly Member

Who can be a Delegate Assembly Member & what do you do?

- Must be an NASW member in good standing, and will be nominated or appointed to the position
- You contribute to the maintenance of professional standards, hold the chapter accountable, and make/implement decisions.

Responsibilities

- Represent NASW/Texas in the decision-making body of NASW
- Make every effort to become fully informed of the duties required
- Become familiar with the information that is posted on the NASW website
- Review all policy statements for comments.
- Volunteer for participation in a hearing panel
- Work with chapter leadership
- Attend meetings of chapter and coalition
- Assist the chapter in the interpretation and implementation of decisions adopted at Delegate Assembly.
- Term = 3 Years – eligible for re-election.
- Click [here](#) to learn more.

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Timeline and Nomination Tips

Tips for Submitting Your Nomination

- You must be logged in as an NASW Texas Member to access this form. Need assistance? Please contact naswtex.naswtx@socialworkers.org or 512-474-1454.
- You may use the PDF version of the submission form to prepare for the online form. Once you begin filling out the online form you must complete it in one sitting; you cannot save and return to it. We recommend using the downloadable form to ensure you have collected all the necessary information before inputting.

Application Tips!

The online form must be completed in one sitting, try using the downloadable pdf version to be sure all necessary information is included

To access the form you must be logged in as an NASW Texas member!

Do not attach resumes, vitae, etc- they will not be considered by the NLIC!

Position Statement Lengths

- 200 Words: President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, NLIC Chair.
- 75 Words: Board Member, Student Reps, Branch Chairs, NLIC Reps, Delegate Assembly Reps

[View this listing of candidates](#) to see how your information will be presented to the membership if you are slated.



Other Ways to Get Involved

Steering Committee

Your local Branch may offer a variety of committees; however, the core committee instituted in each Branch is the Branch Steering Committee.

They work closely with the NLIC rep and Branch Chair to host events, carry out local advocacy and service efforts.



More Opportunities

Equity Committees

- Race, Equity, Accountability, and Leadership (REAL).
- Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Expression (SOGIE).
Issues
- Women's Rights
- Human Rights

Operational Committees

- Member and Leader Engagement Committee (MLEC).
- Ethics Committee
- Strategic Planning
- TPACE

More Opportunities

Call for Proposals

- Open through February 11, 2026
- 50th Annual NASW Texas State Conference – Galveston, TX (November 5-7)
- Seeking submissions relevant to critical and emerging social work topics, from a diverse range of practice areas, so we encourage you to share your knowledge by presenting at conference.
- Earn CEUs and expand your professional network!

Abstract Readers Needed – click [here](#) to learn more

- Review and evaluate the submissions received in the Call for Proposals
- 1-3 hour virtual project, March 2026



Task Groups

- There are a variety of task groups also known as work groups within the chapter.
- These groups change and evolve as needs dictate. If you have a specific interest, please contact Will Francis at wfrancis.naswtx@socialworkers.org.



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