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**CDFA & TEDC Launch Texas Financing Roundtable Partnership
-- New Partnership Will Build Development Finance Network in Lone Star State --**

Columbus, OH – The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) and the Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC) are pleased to announce the launch of a new partnership to advance the **CDFA Texas Financing Roundtable**.

The [CDFA Texas Financing Roundtable](#), *in partnership with TEDC*, is dedicated to developing a sustainable economic development finance industry in the state of Texas through education, resource development, research and networking. This unique state/national partnership brings together the development finance and economic development industries in Texas.

“CDFA is very proud to announce this new state roundtable partnership for the development finance industry in Texas,” said Toby Rittner, President & CEO of CDFA. “Texas has been very active in CDFA over the past three decades and launching this Roundtable partnership is a milestone achievement for CDFA. We are proud to build this Roundtable in partnership with TEDC and the leadership in the state.”

The Roundtable will offer webcasts, online resources, live events and a dedicated state finance newsletter. Topics covered will include bonds, redevelopment, tax credits, revolving loan funds, capital access, energy finance, seed and venture capital, public-private partnerships and the entire development finance toolbox.

“The Texas Economic Development Council is delighted to form this partnership with the Council of Development Finance Agencies,” said Carlton Schwab, President/CEO of Texas Economic Development Council. “We look forward to working together to enhance the professional development and capabilities of our members and their organizations.”

The CDFA Texas Financing Roundtable, *in partnership with TEDC*, will hold a one-day conference titled, [“Maximizing Development Finance in the Lone Star State”](#) on April 8, 2014 in Austin, Texas. The conference will feature a number of state and local experts discussing new development finance tools, authorities, resources and approaches, and how these methods can move Texas’ economy forward. Registration is available at www.cdfa.net and www.texasedc.org.

TEDC members will receive discounts to attend Roundtable events, access to a monthly CDFA Texas Financing Roundtable newsletter, and other benefits through this partnership.

The **Council of Development Finance Agencies** is a national association dedicated to the advancement of development finance concerns and interests. CDFA is comprised of the nation’s leading and most knowledgeable members of the development finance community representing public, private and non-profit

entities alike. For more information about CDFA, visit www.cdfa.net.

The **Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC)** is an Austin-based, statewide, non-profit professional association dedicated to the development of economic and employment opportunities in Texas. The TEDC is a one-stop shop for ideas, information, and influence. TEDC is the largest state association of economic development professionals, volunteers, and elected officials. TEDC's diverse members share a common goal -- bringing new investment and jobs to Texas. TEDC provides information, educational and legislative services to over 800 members representing more than 500 public and private economic development organizations, including more than 350 cities. TEDC's objective is to support the economic growth of Texas and develop strategies that promote a positive business climate in the state. For more information about TEDC, visit www.texasedc.org.

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