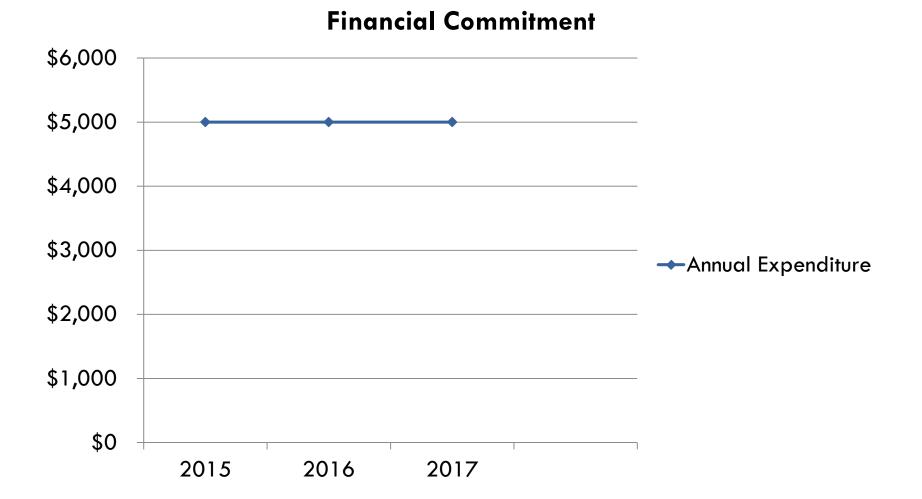
# CELEBRATE KILLEEN FIREWORKS

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- Killeen Parks & Recreation in conjunction with the Celebrate Killeen Committee conducts the Celebrate Killeen Festival the last weekend in April on an annual basis.
- Annual festival features carnival, cultural performances, comedy show, KISD
  Wellness Fair, poetry slam, food truck competition, 5K run and car show.
- 2015 marked the first year the Celebrate Killeen Committee funded a fireworks display.
- Currently, there is no other fireworks display conducted in Killeen.
- Section 11-6 of Killeen's Code of Ordinances grants the City Council the authority to permit the use of fireworks for public displays.
- American Fireworks has met the City's ordinance requirements.
  - Financial responsibility
  - Event date & storage location of fireworks
  - State license
  - Display permit
  - Types of fireworks to be discharged





Aerial view of the 2016 Celebrate Killeen Festival. Photo shows amphitheater, vendors and carnival.

#### Celebrate Killeen Festival:

- Showcases Killeen's diversity
- Provides family friendly fun over the course of the three day event
- Is attended by upwards of 6,000 people on an annual basis
- Is funded in part by funds from the City's Hotel Motel Occupancy Tax Fund
- Fireworks serve as the closing act for the annual festival