



The cost of a Marriage License has **increased to \$72**. The marriage license fee may be waived if the couples participate in the **Twogether in Texas Marriage Initiative**.

## Texas Healthy Marriage Legislation

In an effort to strengthen families and improve outcomes, the Texas Legislature passed HB 2685 and HB 2683 in order to promote healthy relationships, child well-being, and reduce the risk of domestic violence.

**Effective September 1, 2008**

- **\*\*\$60 license fee waived if successfully completes Twogether in Texas marriage. The couple must still pay the \$12 County Preservation and Security Fees.**
- **\*\*\*72 hour waiting period is waived**

***\*\*\*Any couple in the State of Texas who wishes to get married, may attend a healthy marriage class offered by any of the following authorized providers and the marriage license fee will be waived:***

### **Model Cities – El Paso**

11199 Pellicano Dr  
El Paso TX 79935  
Office: 915-591-0404  
Fax: 915-591-0222

### **Living Hope Christian Counseling Service**

Compass Bank Bldg  
6044 Gateway Blvd E, Ste 506  
El Paso TX 79905  
Office: 915-772-2237  
Fax: 915-772-2247

### **Thomason Hospital - Community Education**

4824 Alberta, Ste 403  
El Paso TX 79905  
Office: 915-521-7482  
Fax 521-7980

### **LULAC Project Amistad**

Cortez Building  
310 N Mesa, Ste 520  
El Paso TX 79901-0301  
915-532-3415 xt275

**\*\*\* After September 1<sup>st</sup>, the 72 hour waiting period WAIVER will apply to:**

- Members of the United States Armed Forces and on Active Duty
- Works for the US Dept. of Defense as a department employee or under contract with the department
- Obtains a written waiver from a judge
- **Completes a premarital education course and provided the County Clerk with a premarital education course completion certificate**

**For more information on the Together in Texas Marriage Initiative please visit [www.togetherintexas.com](http://www.togetherintexas.com)**