Summary: Helotes, Texas; General Obligation Dec 13

Description:
Abstract
Standard & Poor's Ratings Services raised its long-term and underlying rating (SPUR) to 'AA' from 'A+' on Helotes, Texas' existing general obligation (GO) bonds based on our recently released local GO criteria. The outlook is stable. The bonds are secured by a full faith and credit pledge of the city. The rating reflects our assessment of the following factors for the city: Very strong economy, with projected per capita estimated buying income (EBI) as a percent of nation at 137.8% and per capita market value of $103,609. Helotes, with an estimated population of 7,060, is in Bexar County roughly 20 miles northwest of downtown San Antonio, affording residents direct access to the broad and diverse San Antonio MSA. Very strong...

Companies mentioned in this report are:
- Helotes

Action: Outlook: Stable
Action: Upgraded

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