



# Rio Grande Valley Health Services District

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COUNTY JUDGE

The Honorable Ramon Garcia  
Hidalgo County Judge  
100 East Cano St. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Edinburg, Texas 78539

**Re:** Hidalgo County's distribution of Tobacco Settlement Proceeds to the Rio Grande Valley Health Services District

Dear Judge Garcia:

In accordance with Chapter 287.024(a)(5)(A) of the Texas Health & Safety Code relating to the disposition of settlement proceeds dated July 18, 1998 or July 24, 1998 filed in the United States District Court, Eastern District of Texas, in the case styled "The State of Texas vs. American Tobacco Company, et. al. No. 5-96CV-91" and the Concurrent Order between Hidalgo County and Cameron County creating the Rio Grande Valley Health Services District (the "District"), the Board of the Rio Grande Valley Health Services District is requesting that your County convey \$750,441.50 to the District in compliance with aforementioned agreements and State Statutes.

The Concurrent Order between Hidalgo County and Cameron County remains in effect until August 31, 2007, and it was in effect when Hidalgo County received the "State Tobacco Settlement Funds" on April 26, 2006. Until August 31, 2007, all requirements and terms of this agreement should be honored. Upon completion of the contract, the Health Services District will transfer to the County all unspent funds contributed by Hidalgo County within a timely manner. To fulfill its statutory charge, the RGVHSD requests monthly financial reporting concerning the expenditures and revenues relating to the provision of indigent health care provided by Hidalgo County be conveyed to our Fiscal Agent by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month following each month's end. If you have any questions, please feel free to call our Fiscal Agent at (956) 544-0822.

Sincerely,

E. Linda Villarreal, M.D.  
Chair, RGVHSD Board

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**The Honorable Ramon Garcia**

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