

**THIS PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT** is made this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011, by and between the following organizations:

**Affordable Homes of South Texas**

1420 Erie Avenue  
McAllen, TX 78501

**Brownsville Metropolitan Planning Organization**

1150 East Adams Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Brownsville, TX, 78520

**Brownsville Navigation District (Port of Brownsville)**

1000 Foust Road  
Brownsville, TX 78521

**Cameron County**

1100 East Monroe Street  
Brownsville, TX 78520

**City of Brownsville**

1001 East Elizabeth, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Brownsville, TX, 78520

**City of Brownsville Transit Department  
B-Metro**

700 Jose Colunga, Jr. Street  
Brownsville, TX, 78521

**City of Donna**

307 South 12<sup>th</sup> Street  
Donna, TX, 78537

**City of Edinburg**

415 West University Drive  
Edinburg, TX, 78541

**City of Harlingen**

118 East Tyler Avenue  
Harlingen, TX, 78550

**City of La Feria**

115 East Commercial Avenue  
La Feria, TX, 78559

**City of McAllen**

1300 Houston Avenue  
McAllen, TX, 78501

**City of McAllen Transit Department  
Metro McAllen**

1501 West Highway 83, Suite 100  
McAllen, TX, 78501

**City of Pharr**

118 South Cage Boulevard  
Pharr, TX, 78577

**City of Primera**

22893 North Stuart Place Road  
Harlingen, TX, 78552

**City of San Juan**

709 South Nebraska  
San Juan, TX, 78589

<b>City of South Padre Island</b>	4601 Padre Boulevard South Padre Island, TX, 78597
<b>City of South Padre Island Transit Department The Wave</b>	4601 Padre Boulevard South Padre Island, TX, 78597
<b>City of Weslaco</b>	255 South Kansas Avenue Weslaco, TX, 78596
<b>Equal Voice Housing Coalition</b>	<b>NEED ADDRESS</b> Edinburg, TX, 78541
<b>Equal Voice Network</b>	<b>NEED ADDRESS</b> Edinburg, TX, 78541
<b>Rio Grande Habitat for Humanity</b>	412 Ash Avenue McAllen, TX 78501
<b>Harlingen Community Development Corporation</b>	502 East Tyler Street Harlingen, TX 78550
<b>Harlingen-San Benito Metropolitan Planning Organization</b>	502 East Tyler Street Harlingen, TX 78550
<b>Hidalgo County</b>	100 North Closner Boulevard Edinburg, TX, 78539
<b>Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District</b>	100 North Closner Boulevard Edinburg, TX, 78539
<b>Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization(HCMPO)</b>	510 South Pleasantview Drive Weslaco, TX 78596
<b>La Union del Pueblo Entero (LUPE)</b>	P.O. Box 188 San Juan, TX 78589
<b>Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC)</b>	301 West Railroad Street Weslaco, TX 78596
<b>LRGVDC Transit Department</b>	510 South Pleasantview Drive Weslaco, TX 78596
<b>Migrant Health Promotions</b>	536 South Texas Boulevard, Suite 117 Weslaco, TX 78596

<b>Planned Parenthood Association of Hidalgo County</b>	916 East Hackberry Avenue McAllen, TX 78501
<b>Proyecto Azteca</b>	P.O. Box 27 San Juan, TX 78589
<b>Proyecto Juan Diego</b>	2216 Eduardo Avenue Brownsville, TX 78526
<b>Rio Grande Valley Sustainability Council</b>	245 East Levee Street Brownsville, TX, 78521
<b>San Juan Economic Development Corporation (SJEDC)</b>	430 North Standard Avenue San Juan, TX, 78589
<b>South Texas Adult Resource &amp; Training Center</b>	743 North Sam Houston San Benito, TX, 78586
<b>Texas State Technical College</b>	1902 North Loop 499 Harlingen, TX, 78550
<b>University of Texas at Brownsville</b>	NEED ADDRESS Brownsville, TX, 78541
<b>University of Texas Pan-American</b>	NEED ADDRESS Edinburg, TX, 78541

**NATURE OF PARTNERSHIP:** The partners listed above hereby agree that they shall be considered partners in business for the following purposes:

- Application for the Department of Housing & Urban Development’s Fiscal Year 2011 Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program (The Program)
- Upon receipt of a grant – Cooperatively carry out The Program in the approved application
  - Coordination in the preparation of a Regional Plan for Sustainable Development and any other deliverables as stated in the application.
  - Integration and Implementation of the Regional Plan for Sustainable Development
- In the absence of a grant – Continued coordination efforts.

**NAME:** The partnership shall be conducted under the name of “Rio South Texas Regional Planning Consortium”

**TERM:** The partnership shall begin on the effective start date of the grant agreement with the Department of Housing and Urban Development or on a date established and approved by all partners if a grant is not awarded.

**DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS:** The partners shall provide their services and best efforts on behalf of the partnership. No partner shall receive salary for services rendered to the partnership.

**MANAGEMENT DUTIES:** The partners hereby designate the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) as the lead applicant. As such the LRGVDC shall:

- Have the responsibility for submitting the application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in accordance with the General and Program Sections of the Notice of Funding Availability.
- Execute the cooperative agreement with HUD.
- Assume fiscal responsibility for the grant on behalf of the consortium in compliance with all HUD and program requirements.
- Hire the Program Manager who will manage the day-to-day finances of the grant program.

**GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE:** Upon notification of grant awards, the partners hereby agree to address the structure of the organization to include, but not limited to, the following:

- Execution of a formal consortium agreement no later than 90 days after the effective start date of the grant agreement

**CONTRIBUTIONS:** Contributions of each partner to the partnership shall be in accordance with the most current, approved or amended, budget agreed upon by all partners. The lead applicant shall maintain an account record of contributions made by each partner.