



URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM

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Homero Cabello, Director Office of Colonia Initiatives
Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs
c/o Yesenia Ayala, Borderfield Representative
P.O. Box 13941 / 507 Sabine, Suite 800
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RE: TCDP Contract No. 712013
Performance Statement and Budget Amendment # 3

Dear Mr. Cabello,

Please consider this correspondence as Hidalgo County's official request to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for a Performance Statement and Budget Amendment for the Self-Help Center Program Contract No. 712013.

The current "Performance Statement" describes activities that will be undertaken (see below) in the Hidalgo County Colonia Self-Help Center (SHC) service area colonias of El Charro Subdivision #2, Colonia Lucero Del Norte, Country View, Indian Hills Subdivision I (East of FM 491), and Indian Hill Subdivision II (West of FM 491). The proposed amendment would decrease the number of small repair activities from 27 to 12 assisted properties, allowing for a budget amendment that increases the maximum assistance amount from \$3,600 to \$9,000 per property. This request is a result from outreach efforts identifying the current maximum assistance amount not being sufficient enough to address the housing needs as they pertain to small repairs, in these colonias. Additionally, the amendment would decrease the number of rehabilitation activities from 8 to 7 assisted properties with no change to the current maximum assistance amount which is \$10,000. Numerous outreach efforts indicate that 7 assisted properties supports the demand for this type of assistance by the residents in the colonias mentioned above.

The proposed changes are as follows:

Activity Name	Current Contract Amount	Current Contract Beneficiaries	Proposed Amount	Proposed Beneficiaries
Public Services	10,800	300	10,000	300
Rehabilitation	80,000	32	70,000	28
Small Repair	97,200	108	108,000	40
Administration	100,000		100,000	
Reconstruction	512,000	42	512,000	42
New Construction	200,000	16	200,000	16
	1,000,000	498	1,000,000	426

We trust that the enclosed documentation will meet the requirements necessary for your review and approval. Should you require additional information, please contact Steve de la Garza, ph. (956) 787-8127 / e-mail steven.delagarza@co.hidalgo.tx.us.

Sincerely,

Ramon Garcia,
Hidalgo County Judge

Enclosures

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