



URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM

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March 10, 2020

Raul Gonzalez, Director Office of Colonia Initiatives
 Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs
 c/o Yesenia Ayala, Border Field Representative
 P.O. Box 13941 / 507 Sabine, Suite 800
 Austin, Texas 78711-3941

RE: TDHCA Contract No. 7216003
 Performance Statement and Budget Amendment

Dear Mr. Gonzalez,

Please consider this correspondence as Hidalgo County's official request to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for a Performance Statement Amendment #1 for the Self-Help Center Program Contract No. 7216003.

The current "Performance Statement" describes activities that will be undertaken in the Hidalgo County Colonia Self-Help Center (SHC) service area colonias of **Whitewing Subdivision, Roadrunner # 2, Linda Vista Estates, Muñiz and Carlos Acres** as identified in its 2016 Colonia SHC Program Proposal. The proposed amendment would remove the Technology Access activity. Due to unexpected circumstances, the Technology Access activity is not feasible during this contract period. Therefore, the funds allocated to the Technology Access activity will be reallocated to the Solid Waste Removal activity and will increase the number of accomplishments from five (5) to nine (9).

PERFORMANCE STATEMENT

Activity	Current Allocation	Current Beneficiaries	Proposed Allocation	Proposed Beneficiaries
Technology Access	\$22,238.33	400 visits 1838	\$0	0 visits 0
Tool Lending Library	\$8,761.67	600 chk.outs 1838	\$8,761.67	600 chk.outs 1838
Solid Waste Removal	\$25,000	5 1838	\$47,238.33	9 1838
Admin., Planning & Management	\$94,000	N/A	\$94,000	N/A
Not Feasible For Rehabilitation	\$550,000	11 Recons 33	\$550,000	11 Recons 33
Contract TOTAL	\$700,000		\$700,000	

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,

Richard F. Cortez,
Hidalgo County Judge

Enclosures

cc: Patricio R. Avila, UCP Program Interim Director
Steve de la Garza, Housing Division Manager
Yesenia Ayala, TDHCA OCI Border Field Officer
Albert Alvidrez, TDHCA OCI Border Field Officer

RESOLUTION No. 1

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF HIDALGO, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A CONTRACT AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR THE COLONIA SELF-HELP CENTER PROGRAM CONTRACT BETWEEN THE URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM (UCP) AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (TDHCA), CONTRACT NUMBER 7216003.

WHEREAS, the County of Hidalgo Urban County Program entered into a contract with the State of Texas to operate one tool lending library, provide access to computers and Internet, conduct solid waste removal activities for residents of Hidalgo County Colonia service area; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would allow for changes to the original contract regarding the removal of the Technology Access activity; and

WHEREAS, the funding that were to be utilized for Technology Access be allocated to the Solid Waste Removal line item; and

WHEREAS, the UCP shall ensure that no person shall on the ground of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, age, or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under or be denied access to any program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds made available under this contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF THE COUNTY OF HIDALGO, TEXAS:

1. The County Commissioner's Court authorizes a contract amendment request to be submitted to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the following proposed activities:

The removal of the Technology Access activity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Hidalgo County Judge, Richard F. Cortez, be and is hereby authorized to sign any and all documents and do all other acts necessary to carry this Resolution into effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a meeting of the County Commissioners' Court of the County of Hidalgo, on the 10TH day of March, 2020.

COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK

**PUBLIC NOTICE
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM (UCP)
TDHCA AMENDMENT REQUEST TO THE
COLONIA SELF-HELP CENTER PROGRAM**

In compliance with the State of Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) requirements, the County of Hidalgo Urban County Program (UCP) proposes to amend the Performance Statement under the Colonia Self-Help Center Contract No. 7216003 with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA).

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A Public Hearing will be held **Tuesday, March 10, 2020, at 9:30 a.m.** at the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court meeting at 100 E. Cano St., Edinburg, TX 78539. During this public comment period, interested parties may view the amendment request to the Colonia Self-Help Center Program online at www.co.hidalgo.tx.us.

It is the objective of Hidalgo County to comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and the ADA Amendment Act of 2008, the Fair Housing Act, and the Architectural Barriers Act in all respects. Persons with disabilities/handicapped, non-English speaking, or limited English proficiency (LEP) who may require an interpreter shall be provided upon request by calling (956) 787-8127 at least three (3) days in advance. Persons who are deaf, hard-of-hearing, deaf-blind or speech-disabled may use Relay Texas at (800) 735-2989 to call the Hidalgo County Urban County Program (UCP) and request arrangements in order to participate in the citizen participation process. Hidalgo County Urban County Program does not discriminate on the basis of disability status in the admission of, or access to, or treatment in its federally assisted programs or activities.

For more information, please contact the Hidalgo County Urban County Program office at (956) 787-8127. Written comments may be forwarded to:

**Hidalgo County – Urban County Program
Diana R. Serna, Director
1916 Tesoro Street
Pharr, TX 78577**



Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs
Colonia Self Help Center Program



Amendment/Modification Checklist

This checklist must be submitted for each type of contract change: Performance Statement and/or Budget Amendment or Modification. Check all items that apply. Review Program Rules to determine the type of change to request.

County: Hidalgo Contract Number: 7216003

Amendment Modification Number: _____

Submitted cover letter signed by the county judge (required for all contract changes)

Performance Statement Amendment

- Submitted *County Resolution of Support* for the proposed amendment
- Public hearing advertisement date of publication was at least 72 hours prior to public hearing
- Re-evaluation of the environmental assessment was completed with no changes required
- Re-evaluation of the environmental assessment required updating and was cleared by TDHCA
- Submitted revised Performance Statement, with changes clearly identified
- Submitted Publisher's Affidavit of Public Hearing Notice with copy of advertisement or full page of the newspaper

Performance Statement Modification

- Modification to adjust beneficiaries to close out the contract (contractually required activities and units were met)
- Increase in the number of housing units to rehab, reconstruct, or build on undeveloped lots with original funding amount
- Submitted revised Performance Statement, with changes clearly identified

Budget Amendment

- Submitted Contract Budget Change Form including justification/reason for the budget amendment
- Line item balances have been checked and revision to budget does not cause any negative balances
- Funds moving into administration does not exceed 15% limitation
- Activities have been completed in line items from which funds are being shifted from
- Transfer of funds does not change the scope or objective of the funded project(s)

Budget Modification

- Cumulative dollar amount, including previous budget modifications, is less than or equal to 10% of the total contract amount
- Submitted Contract Budget Change Form including justification/reason for the budget modification
- Line item balances have been checked and revision to budget does not cause any negative balances
- Activities have been completed in line items from which funds are being shifted from
- Funds moving into administration does not exceed 15% limitation
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Certification

The required documentation checked above has been submitted.

Signature of County Representative: _____ Date: Mar 10, 2020

Printed Name of County Representative: Richard F. Cortez