



## **Hidalgo County Emergency Services Program**

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County (the “County”) is authorized pursuant to Section §381.004 (b) of the Texas Local Government Code, to develop and administer state and local economic development programs for the purpose of stimulating business and commercial activity in the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section §381.004(b), the County determines and declares that the development of the Program shall establish comprehensive programs for the benefit of County residents, which will stimulate, encourage, and develop business location and commercial activity in the County and promote the economic vitality of Hidalgo County, and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 381.004, the County is authorized to spend public funds and provide personnel and services of the county to develop such programs, and to contract with another entity for the administration of such an economic development program; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that such programs would improve the growth, sustainability and diversity of the local economy, and thereby contribute to the long-term prosperity of the County and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that the establishment of an emergency service program will have the effect of stimulating, encouraging, and developing business location and commercial activity in the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, the County does hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. The County shall create a “Hidalgo County Emergency Service Program”, herein after referred to as (the “Program”), under the authority of the Texas Local Government Code §381.004(b)
2. The Program shall be administered through the Office of Hidalgo County Judge, Economic Development Department.
3. The Hidalgo Emergency Service Program shall be focused providing services and assisting residence and businesses in Hidalgo County.
4. The County may contract with other entities for assisting in the administration of the Program and/or specific Program initiatives, and may provide partial funding, leverage existing services and personnel, or other resources for the development and administration of the Program

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County Judge

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County Commissioner, Pct. 1

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County Commissioner, Pct. 2

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Attest: Arturo Guajardo, JR.  
County Clerk