



Hidalgo County • Department of Budget & Management
American Rescue Plan Act 2021

Project Description

Project Name:

Hidalgo County El Milagro Clinic

Project Number:

ARPA-23-110-322

Department:

County Judge's Office

ARPA Expenditure Category:

1: Public Health

ARPA Eligibility Category:

1.4: Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, Child care facilities, etc.)*^

Project Description:

El Milagro Clinic of Hidalgo County is located at 901 E. Vermont Ave. in McAllen, Tx 78503. It is a nonprofit organization that provides general medical health services to the community. Its staff provides non-emergency primary care. The clinic accepts medicaid, Medicare and offers financial assistance for eligible patients. Walk-ins are welcome. Patients can also have access to behavioral health care.

The clinic's ventilation system is in great need of repair and/or replacement. The building is owned by Hidalgo County but is not integrated with the services it provides. Replacing the ventilation system will avoid the building from falling into a state of total disrepair.

This one time improvements to the HVAC system/s and automated doors/security controls as part of a pandemic preparedness package will be authorized for procurement by County as an owner of the property in question, and is deemed necessary by the parties in response to the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency.

The interim final rule provided for, and the final rule maintains, the ability for recipients to provide assistance to health facilities or other public facilities. Furthermore, Treasury has maintained and identified, "installation and improvement of ventilation systems in congregate settings, health facilities or other public facilities"¹ as enumerated items.

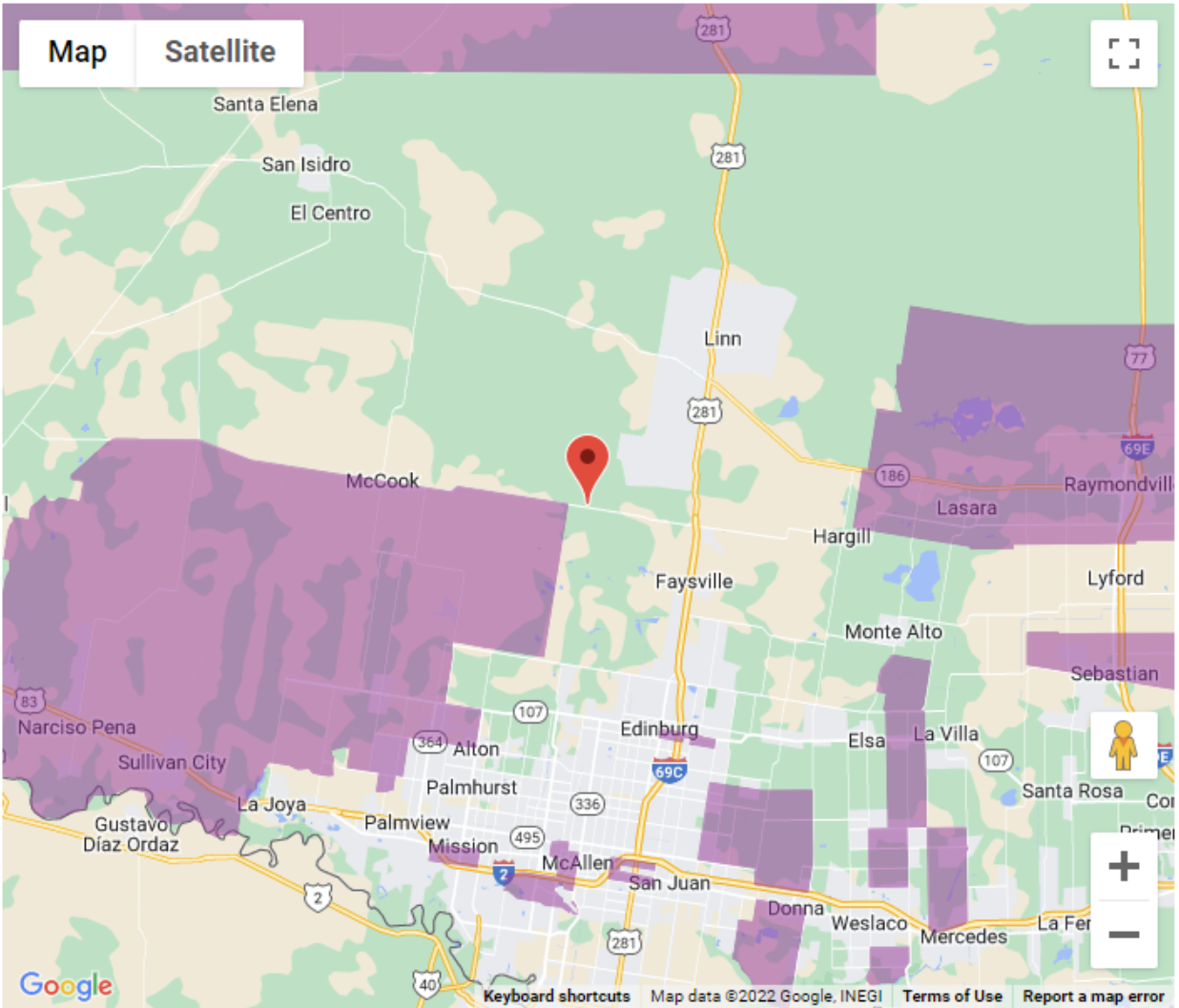
Fiscal Impact: \$300,000.00

¹ Department of the Treasury (n.d.) Federal Register, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (p. 4354)

* Evidence-Based:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/community-congregate-living-settings.html>

^Below is the Qualified Census Tract Analysis for Hidalgo County.



Source: Office of Policy Development and Research 2021 and 2022 Small Difficult Development Areas (DDAs) and Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs)