

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO

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**DECLARATION OF SUPPORT TO THE FOSTER ANGELS
OF SOUTH TEXAS BY THE COUNTY OF HIDALGO, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, the Foster Angels of South Texas (the “Foster Angels”) has requested that Hidalgo County (the “County”) support its efforts to help abused children in the county;

WHEREAS, many children and youth are often placed in temporary or permanent foster care as a result of child abuse at home; the Texas Department of Family & Protective Services reported 591 children and youth in foster care in Hidalgo County for 2023; and

WHEREAS, Foster Angels continues to improve the lives of abused children in foster care for the past twenty-five years in the South Texas; and

WHEREAS, Local Government Code Section 381.004 (e) and (f) permit the Commissioners Court of a county to support a children’s advocacy center that provides services to abused children from unclaimed property monies received from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts as described in Local Government Code Section 381.004 (e); and

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County has found it is in the best interest of the County’s residents to support Foster Angels of South Texas by providing funds as allowed by Local Government Code Section 381.004.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Local Government Code Chapter 381, the Commissioners Court of Hidalgo County, Texas (the “County”) does hereby tender to Foster Angels, located at 217 West Nolana Ave., Suite 14, McAllen, Texas the amount of Twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00). The amount tendered to Foster Angels is to be used only for the furtherance of the purposes set forth below:

- To ensure victims of child abuse in foster care has their basic needs met and provide life-enhancing and life-enriching opportunities.
- To facilitate the Foster Angels “Daily Request Program”.
- To alleviate foster children/youth trauma as a result of various forms of abuse and severe neglect.

Foster Angels agrees to allow the County Auditor or her representatives the right, upon reasonable notice, to review and audit all books and records of Foster Angels.

Foster Angels, by the acceptance of this monetary support, warrants and represents that this support shall be held, administered, and used in accordance with all the terms and conditions in this instrument.

Passed and Approved on this the 19th day of March, 2024 by the Commissioners Court of Hidalgo County, Texas.

HIDALGO COUNTY

Richard F. Cortez, County Judge

ATTEST:

Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

FOSTER ANGELS OF SOUTH TEXAS

By: Lucy Ann Wolthoff
Its: Rio Grande Valley Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Hidalgo County Criminal District Attorney's Office
Toribio "Terry" Palacios

Victor M. Garza, Chief Administrative Attorney