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**Exhibit A - Budget Amendments**

#	ARPA Project No.	ARPA Project Name	Prior Budget	New Budget
1	21-123-023	Hidalgo County Precinct 3 Park Improvements	\$2,300,000.00	\$2,925,000.00
2	22-124-051	Hidalgo County Precinct 4 Mile 17 & 83rd Stormwater Project	\$415,831.50	\$385,291.00
3	24-110-364	Inclusive Accessibility Toolbar 2	\$3,638.31	\$3,499.00





## **Project Description**

**Project Name:**

Hidalgo County Precinct 3 Park Improvements

**Project Number:**

ARPA-21-123-023

**Program:**

The Hidalgo County Precinct 3 will be part of the Hidalgo County American Rescue Plan Act Recreational Development Program.

**Department Name:**

Hidalgo County Precinct 1

**ARPA Expenditure Category:**

2: Negative Economic Impacts

**ARPA Eligibility Category:**

2.22: Strong Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety^

**Project Description:**

The COVID-19 pandemic has made it clear that parks are crucial to a community's quality of life. People turned to parks for fresh air, exercise and solace from pandemic-related stressors. The Hidalgo County Precinct 3 Park Improvements Project will include the following parks: Katarina North Park, Katarina South Park, Abram Park, Los Ebanos Park, Los Ebanos Pavilion, and Veterans Memorial Pavilion. This project will improve the accessibility and function of Precinct 3 parks to constituents living in and around Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs) and Low to Moderate Income Areas (LMI), as they will be designed to benefit the health and well-being of residents and promote improved health outcomes. This project aims to create safe spaces that will promote health and safety outcomes for its residents by providing healthy play, wellness, and recreation areas to help mitigate the ongoing effects of COVID-19. The project includes but is not limited to professional services, park equipment, amenities, safety features, supplies, materials, and other necessary provisions.

Treasury recognizes the connection between neighborhood built environment and physical health outcomes as discussed in the research and analysis provided by commenters, including risk factors that may have contributed to disproportionate COVID-19 health impacts in low-income communities. The final rule includes enumerated eligible uses in disproportionately impacted communities for developing neighborhood features that promote improved health and safety outcomes, such as parks, green spaces, recreational facilities, sidewalks, pedestrian safety features like crosswalks, projects that increase access to healthy foods, streetlights,



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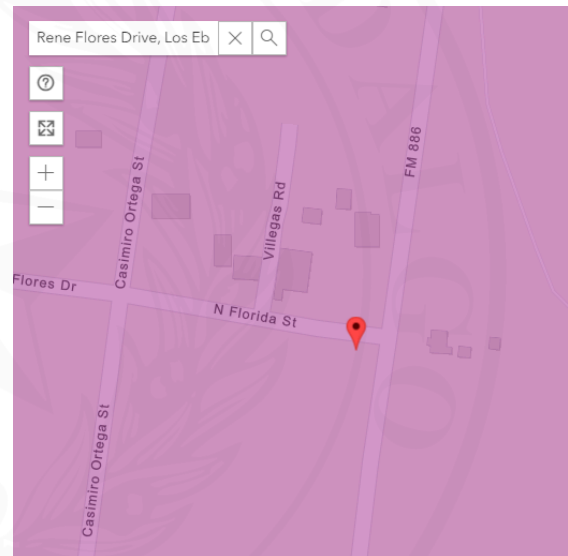
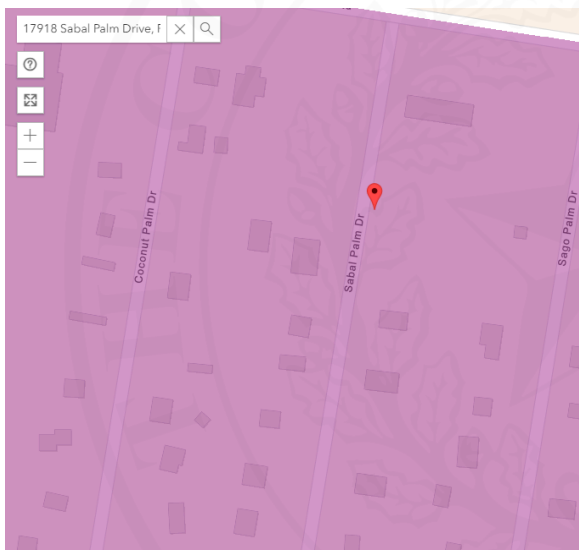
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neighborhood cleanup, and other projects to revitalize public spaces.<sup>1</sup> In the final rule, to further decrease administrative burden and enhance recipient flexibility, Treasury is allowing recipients to also presume that low-income households were disproportionately impacted. Treasury anticipates that adding low-income households as a presumed eligible population will maintain targeting of funds to populations and communities most likely to have experienced severe pandemic impacts, while providing a more flexible approach for recipients.<sup>2</sup>

**Fiscal Impact:** \$2,925,000.00

^Below is the 2024 Qualified Census Tract Analysis for the following: Katarina Park South - 17918 Sabal Palm Drive, Peñitas, TX 78576, Los Ebanos Park - Rene Flores Ave, Los Ebanos, TX 78565 and Veterans Memorial Park Pavilion - S Inspiration Rd, Mission, TX 78572



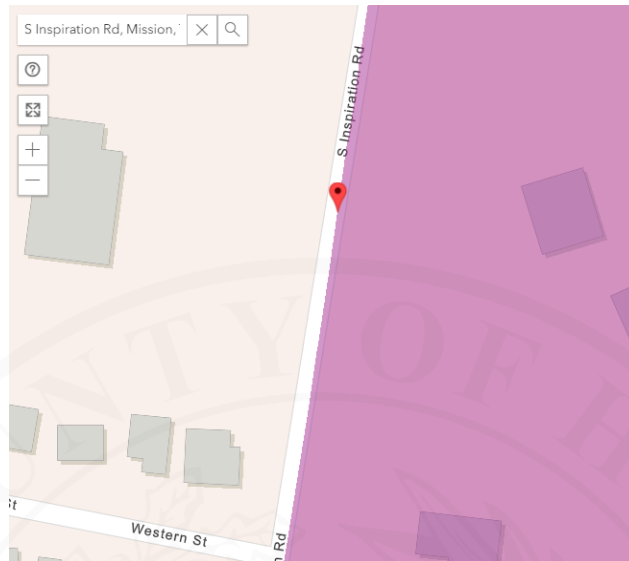
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<sup>1</sup> Department of the Treasury. (2022). Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. *Federal Register*, 87(18), p. 4373

<sup>2</sup> Department of the Treasury. (2022). Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. *Federal Register*, 87(18), p. 4441



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Source: Office of Policy Development and Research 2023 and 2024 Small Difficult Development Areas (DDAs) and Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs):

[https://www.huduser.gov/portal/sadda/sadda\\_qct.html](https://www.huduser.gov/portal/sadda/sadda_qct.html)

^Below is the 2024 Low to Moderate Income Area Analysis for the following:

Katarina Park North - 18118 Queen Palm Drive, Peñitas, TX 78576, Los Ebanos Pavilion - 225 6th St, Los Ebanos, TX 78565 and Abram Park - Domingo Trevino Drive, Mission, TX 78572

**LMISD by County Subdivision: Sullivan City CCD**

State	48
County	215
CoSub	93785
Name	Sullivan City CCD
STUSAB	TX
LOW	15,195.00
LOWMOD	21,835.00
LMMI	27,585.00
LOWMODUNIV	33,965.00
LOWMOD_PCT	64.29
UCLOWMOD	
UCLOWMOD_P	

**LMISD by Place: Los Ebanos CDP**

GEOID	4844104
NAME	Los Ebanos CDP
PLACE_TYPE	Census-designated Places
STATE	48
STUSAB	TX
LOW	135.00
LOWMOD	195.00
LMMI	195.00
LOWMODUNIV	195.00
LOWMOD_PCT	100.00
UCLOWMOD	
UCLOWMOD_P	0.00



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### LMISD by Place: Abram CDP

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GEOID	4801060
NAME	Abram CDP
PLACE_TYPE	Census-designated Places
STATE	48
STUSAB	TX
LOW	955.00
LOWMOD	1,315.00
LMMI	1,615.00
LOWMODUNIV	1,910.00
LOWMOD_PCT	68.85
UCLOWMOD	
UCLOWMOD_P	0.00

Source: HUD Exchange Low and Moderate Income Survey Data (LMISD) Map Application  
(<https://hud.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=ffd0597e8af24f88b501b7e7f326bedd>)



## **Project Description**

**Project Name:**

Hidalgo County Precinct 4 Mile 17 & 83rd Stormwater Project

**Project Number:**

ARPA-22-124-051

**Program:**

Hidalgo County Precinct 4 Mile 17 & 83rd Stormwater Project will be part of the Hidalgo County Stormwater System Improvement Program.

**Precinct/Department Name:**

Hidalgo County Precinct 4

**ARPA Expenditure Category:**

5. Infrastructure

**ARPA Eligibility Category:**

5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

**Project Description:**

The Mile 17 and 83rd Stormwater project will manage and reduce stormwater for the project area. The project is located along Mile 17 and 83rd Road from Humphrey Road to the North Branch Drain and Schunior Drain. Project consists of a pipe network with inlets improvements and roadside grading from Mile 17 and 83rd with an ultimate outfall into the North Branch Drain and Schunior Drain system. The pipe network will also be proposed along San Francisco, Santa Elena and San Santiago Streets. Inlets will be placed throughout the project limits along with roadside grading to manage stormwater during and after rain events.

As per the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds FAQ document, in question 6.15, recipients are able to use ARPA funds for road repairs and upgrades directly related to an eligible stormwater project. Efficient stormwater services directly translate into a healthier community by providing clean water and avoiding potential environmental disasters. These basic needs are critical to the health and ability to work and learn of the residents of the County of Hidalgo, particularly for the disadvantaged and low-income minorities.

**Fiscal Impact**

Estimated Budget: \$385,291.00



## Project Description

**Project Name:**

Inclusive Accessibility Toolbar 2

**Project Number:**

ARPA-24-110-364

**Department Name:**

Hidalgo County Judge's Office

**ARPA Expenditure Category:**

3: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities

**ARPA Eligibility Category:**

3.4 Effective Service Delivery

**Project Description:**

The Hidalgo County official website continues to be the primary location where COVID-19 information is posted for the public. An accessibility toolbar will allow all web users to access the information without barriers making our communication more accessible most especially for persons with disabilities. An accessibility toolbar may offer services such as screen reading functionality, multiple reading aids, customizable styling options, and an on-demand live translation feature with multiple languages including text-to-speech. This project will be extended until December 31, 2026.

Technology infrastructure resources to improve access to and the user experience of government information technology systems, including upgrades to hardware and software as well as improvements to public-facing websites or to data management systems, to increase public access and improve public delivery of government programs and services (including in the judicial, legislative, or executive branches).<sup>1</sup>

**Fiscal Impact:** \$3,499.00

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<sup>1</sup> Department of the Treasury. (2022). Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. *Federal Register*, 87(18), p. 4388