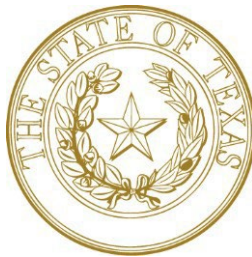


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## TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

June 20, 2025

The Honorable Richard Cortez  
Hidalgo County  
10213 North 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
McAllen, Texas 78504

The Texas Veterans Commission is pleased to announce that your organization has been selected as a Housing for Texas Heroes grant recipient for the 2025-2026 grant period in the amount of \$300,000.

The official start date of this grant is July 01, 2025. We are currently finalizing the grant agreement, which will outline the terms, conditions, and expectations associated with this award.

In preparation for the commencement of the project, we recommend that you begin any preliminary planning and organization necessary. Our grant management team will be available to assist you throughout this process.

Should you have any immediate questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at [ervey.leos@tvc.texas.gov](mailto:ervey.leos@tvc.texas.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ervey Leos Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ervey Leos Jr., Director  
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