

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

**Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs
(TDHCA)**

**2017-2021 Cameron and Willacy Counties Colonia
Self-Help Center Contract 7217003
Cameron County, Texas**

Notice is hereby given that the County of Cameron will conduct a Zoom virtual public hearing at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 17, 2020 from the offices of the County's Economic Development & Community Affairs Department. The purpose for the hearing to discuss a proposed amendment #2 to the Cameron and Willacy Counties Colonia Self-Help Center (SHC) Program. Currently the SHC Program through a TDHCA \$1.5 million grant provides housing reconstruction assistance to low-moderate income families residing in Valle Escondido, Cameron Park, Laguna Heights, La Paloma in Cameron County and Sebastian in Willacy County. The proposed amendment serves to adjust the following program quantities:

- Incorporate the TDHCA's new reconstruction amount per housing unit from \$50,000 to \$75,000.
- This new change will force Cameron County to decrease the approved reconstruction of 24 housing units to 21 based on the new \$75,000 amount.
- The 84 beneficiaries from the original activity of reconstruction of 24 housing units to now 21 housing units – this and the "first-come, first-service" policy has decreased the 84 beneficiaries to approximately 40.
- A six-month program extension through July 31, 2021.

The public hearing will give persons an opportunity to discuss the proposed amendment, CDBG funding categories, rural fair housing and community development needs, eligible CDBG activities, use of past TxCDBG funding, and the County's citizen participation plan. The County encourages all citizens to participate in the grant application process and present requests for project funding at the public hearing. Citizens wishing to make comments or citizens unable to attend the hearing may submit written comments, questions or project requests to the Economic Development & Community Affairs Department, County Courthouse, Rm. 105, E. Monroe, Brownsville, Texas 78520 or to rgarcia@co.cameron.tx.us and/or call (956) 544-0828. Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations to participate in the TCDP public hearing should contact the County's Personnel Office at (956)544-0827 at least 48 hours in advance.

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