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Press Release

Home Delivered Meals for Seniors Impacted by COVID-19

Governor Greg Abbott announced on March 25, 2020 that Texas has received a \$16.2 million grant from the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) Administration for Community Living (ACL) to help communities provide meals for older adults.

The grant was part of a \$250 million dollar outlay authorized by the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, signed into law by President Trump on March 18, 2020. Originally created by the Older Americans Act (OAA) of 1965, these programs provide meals to more than 2.4 million older adults nationwide each year, both through home delivery and in places like community centers.

Funding in the amount \$304,295 was allocated to the Central Texas Area Agencies on Aging for seniors residing in Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills, and San Saba Counties.

The home delivered meals are for seniors age 60 and older impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Seniors requesting Home Delivered Meals should contact Hill Country Community Action at 866-372-5167 x 227 or 325-372-5167 x227 to begin the intake process.

For additional information on concerning Home Delivered Meals in Central Texas should contact:

- Brazos Valley Area Agency on Aging 1-800-994-4000 or 979-595-2806 Ext. 5
 Counties: Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, Robertson and Washington)
- Capital Area Agency on Aging 1-888-622-9111 or 512-916-6054 Counties: Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis, and Williamson
- Heart of Texas Area Agency on Aging 1-855-937-2372 or 254-292-1855 Counties: Bosque, Falls, Freestone, Hill, Limestone, and McLennan