

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



AGENDA MEETING OF THE LRGVDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS LRGVDC Main Campus, 301 W. Railroad Street, Building B Weslaco, TX 78596

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Wednesday, April 24, 2019

12:00 PM

Ken Jones Executive Board Room

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Presiding: The Honorable Norma G. Garcia, President

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Item #1: Call to Order

A. Roll Call

B. Invocation

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Item #2: Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes (March 27, 2019 Board Meeting)

..... **President**

ACTION ITEM

Item #3: Public Comment and/or Report from Legislative Delegation

Item #4: Administration

A. Consider Approval of Quarterly Investment Report..... Ron Garza
Executive Director

ACTION ITEM

B. Presentation on Texas Gas Service Cost of Services Adjustment Marie Masson
Manager - Rates & Regulatory

ACTION ITEM

C. Executive Director Report..... Ron Garza

ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

LRGVDC Updates & Activities

1. Introduction of New Staff Members
2. Staff Recognition for Years of Service
3. LRGVDC PeopleFirst Leadership Training
4. Consider Meeting Date for 2019 Nominating Committee Meeting
5. Caucus in May for Board Member Representing the Poor and Under Privileged
6. 2019 RGV to DC Trip
7. 86th Legislative Session
8. 9th Annual Walk-N-Rolla
9. 2019 Road-To-Recycling (Regional Tire Collection)

Item #5: Department Reports

A. Economic Development

Economic Development Status Report..... Terrie G. Salinas, Director

- Regional Small Cities Coalition
- Readiness for Resilience Workshop
- Texas Rural Funders Collaborative
- Kari's Law Project

Census 2020..... Blanca Davila, Assistant Director

- Regional Taskforce Meeting

Explore RGV Status Report..... Blanca Davila, Assistant Director

- Explore RGV

B. Community & Environmental Services

Community Development Status Report..... Marcie Oviedo, Director

1. Consider Approval of Resolution 2019-01 Proclaiming April National Fair Housing Month

ACTION ITEM

- HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program

Environmental Resources Status Report..... Marcie Oviedo, Director

- Solid Waste Management Program
- Water Resources
 - Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee
 - Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (Region M)
 - Reservoir Levels

C. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging (AAoA) Status Reports..... Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

1. Consider Approval to Issue Request for Proposals and Contractor Solicitation RE: AA0A Services Under Title III of Older Americans Act

ACTION ITEM

2. Consider Approval to Provide Housing Bond Funding to COTO de Casa to Provide Housing Repairs for Seniors

ACTION ITEM

- 22nd Annual Centenarian Recognition Event

D. Public Safety

Criminal Justice Status Report Manuel Cruz, Director

1. Consider Approval of FY 2019-2020 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Program Rankings and Resolutions

ACTION ITEM

2. Consider Approval of FY 2019-2020 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and Justice and Training Program and General Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Assistance Direct Services Program Rankings and Resolution

ACTION ITEM

- Regional Crime Victim's Liaison Program

Emergency Communications Status Report.....Manuel Cruz, Director

1. Consider Approval to Purchase Installation Services for Generators at Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs)

ACTION ITEM

2. Consider Approval of Next Generation 9-1-1 (Stage 2 A) Strategic Plan

ACTION ITEM

- Location Validation Program
- Database Program
- Mapping Program
- System and Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations
- Public Education/Training Program

Homeland Security Status ReportManuel Cruz, Director

- Homeland Security Program
- Citizen Corps Program (CCP)/Community Preparedness

Regional Police Academy Status Report.....Randall Snyder, Training Coordinator

- In-Service Training
- Grant Writing USA Workshop
- Additional Training Courses
- Report on Current Academies

E. Transportation

Valley Metro Status Report.....Tom Logan, Director

- Ridership Report

Item #6: New or Unfinished Business

Item #7: Adjourn

REMINDER

Next Meeting Date:
Wednesday, May 29, 2019

Annual Elections Meeting 12:00 noon

**Board of Directors Meeting
Immediately following**

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated and/or acted upon in a different order than numbered above.

The Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive (Closed) session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the items listed on this agenda as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapters 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, and 551.075, Texas Government Code. No final action will be taken in Executive Session.

PUBLIC INPUT POLICY:

"At the beginning of each LRGVDC meeting, the LRGVDC will allow for an open public forum/comment period. This comment period shall not exceed one-half (1/2) hour in length and each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak. All individuals desiring to address the LRGVDC must be signed up to do so prior to the open comment period. The purpose of this comment period is to provide the public an opportunity to address issues or topics that are under the jurisdiction of the LRGVDC. For issues or topics which are not otherwise part of the posted agenda for the meeting, LRGVDC members may direct staff to investigate the issue or topic further. No action or discussion shall be taken on issues or topics which are not part of the posted agenda for the meeting. Members of the public may be recognized on posted agenda items deemed appropriate by the Chair as these items are considered, and the same 3-minute time limitation applies."

ITEM #2.

MINUTES

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MEETING OF THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2019 – 12:00 PM
LRGVDC MAIN CAMPUS - 301 W. RAILROAD ST., WESLACO, TEXAS
BUILDING B, KEN JONES EXECUTIVE BOARD ROOM

PRESIDING: HON. NORMA G. GARCIA, PRESIDENT

- DRAFT-

President Norma G. Garcia called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared.

The President then moved to item 2: Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes (February 27, 2019 Board Meeting). ***Mr. Ron Mills made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Willacy County Commissioner Eduardo “Eddy” Gonzales seconded and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

President Garcia then moved to item 3: Public Comment and/or Report from Legislative Delegation there being none, she moved to item 4: Administration and recognized Executive Director Ron Garza to address the following:

A. Consider Approval of 2018 Annual Productivity Report

Mr. Garza stated that the Annual Productivity Report is a statutory requirement. Traditionally this has been done in two pieces, the first is the Annual Work Program & Budget that is presented to the Board every January, and the Annual Productivity Report is the second piece. He announced that for next year staff will combine the documents into one cohesive annual report containing projections and objectives. He stated that all objectives for 2018 recorded in the 2018 Annual Productivity Report have been met. ***Mayor Tony Martinez made a motion to approve the 2018 Annual Productivity Report as presented. Mayor Rick Cavazos seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

B. Executive Director Report

1. Introduction of New Staff Members

Mr. Garza introduced Mr. Juan Lara, Part-time Fleet Fueller/Detailer for Valley Metro, and Mr. Armando Perez, Administrative Assistant for Valley Metro. The Board warmly welcomed our new staff members to the LRGVDC.

LRGVDC Updates & Activities

2. Governor’s (South Texas) Small Business Conference

Mr. Garza informed the Board that the Governor’s Small Business Conference will be hosted by the City of Edinburg on March 29, 2019 at the Edinburg Conference Center at Renaissance and will combine small business resources from the public and private sectors.

3. 86th Legislative Session

The 86th Legislative Sessions is past the half-way point and today is the House Budget Debate. Mr. Garza stated that the Valley has had great participation in Austin with high attendance at RGV Day at the Capitol as well as many other individual Valley cities and counties representing their communities to our state legislators.

4. Regional Animal Control Initiative

Mr. Garza informed the Board that this group will soon revise their name to something that relates more to responsible pet ownership and care. At the All Hazards Conference tomorrow, March 28, there will be a session on this topic. One action item for this group is to create a resource website that would include a listing of animal centers and shelters throughout the Valley.

5. Road-to-Recycling Regional Tire Collection Day

Mr. Garza informed the Board that the 2019 Road-to-Recycling collection day is scheduled for Saturday, April 27. Staff is coordinating with municipalities and this year there will be three different options for disposal which he explained in detail.

6. It's Time Texas Community Challenge

Mr. Garza recapped the activities for the It's Time Texas Community Challenge and proudly announced the 2019 Winners from the Rio Grande Valley:

- ✓ McAllen took 1st Place, and Brownsville took 2nd Place in the Large City Category
- ✓ Harlingen took 1st Place, and Pharr took 3rd Place in the Mid-Sized City Category
- ✓ Los Fresnos took 1st Place, San Juan took 3rd Place, and Port Isabel took 5th Place in the Small City Category

He has hopes to sweep more categories in the 2020 Challenge and will continue to promote and encourage participation in this event.

7. Census Day RGV: One Year and Counting!

Mr. Garza informed the Board that the PSAP (Participant Statistical Area Program) process is wrapping up. The deadline for cities to make edits to their census tract splits is 4:00 pm on Friday, March 29. He also announced that on April 1, 2019, one year to the day prior to Census Day, April 1, 2020, two census events are scheduled: a press release is scheduled at 10:00 am at the Hidalgo County Courthouse in Edinburg for the western half of the Valley and at 2:00 pm in Brownsville at the Historic Market Square for the eastern half of the Valley. He also stated that the US Census Bureau in the Valley has many job openings that need to be filled.

Upon conclusion of Administration items, President Garcia moved to item 5: Department Reports.

A. Economic Development

Economic Development Status Reports

Economic Development Director Terrie Salinas was recognized and reported on the recent Regional Small Cities Coalition meeting in Rio Hondo and the Texas PACE County Workshops.

Explore RGV Status Report

Economic Development Assistant Director Blanca Davila was recognized and informed the Board that "Escape Itineraries" have been updated on the Explore RGV website. Different locations across the tri-county area, including urban and rural areas are featured in the six itineraries. Stakeholders can also find "Recommend a Location" on the website where they can include a destination that is currently not listed.

B. Community & Environmental Services

Community Development Status Report

Program Director Marcie Oviedo was recognized and informed the Board that the status reports on the HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program were in the meeting packet for review.

Environmental Resources Status Report

Ms. Oviedo stated that the Solid Waste Program and Water Resources status reports were in the meeting packet for review. She reiterated that the 2019 Road to Recycling Tire Collection Project is scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2019 and encouraged participation.

C. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging Status Reports

Program Director Joe Gonzalez was recognized to address the following:

1. Consider Approval of Advisory Council Recommendations for Hidalgo County Representative
Mr. Gonzalez informed the Board that the Advisory Council recommends Mrs. Maria Hurtado from Mission to represent Hidalgo County on the Area Agency on Aging Citizens Advisory Council. Her interest in issues regarding the elderly and her personal involvement with the elderly qualify her for this position. ***Raymondville Commissioner Edward Gonzales made a motion to approve Ms. Maria Hurtado to fill the Hidalgo County vacancy on the Area Agency on Aging Citizen's Advisory Council. Mr. Ron Mills seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.*** Upon conclusion of action Mr. Gonzalez noted that there are vacancies on the Advisory Council for representatives from the Cameron County area and asked the Board to consider nominees to fill these seats. He also gave the status report on the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) and the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) Project.

D. Public Safety

President Garcia next recognized Public Safety Director Manuel Cruz to address the following items:

Criminal Justice Program Status Reports

Mr. Cruz informed the Board that the Criminal Justice Program status report was in the meeting packet for review.

Emergency Communications Status Report

Mr. Cruz noted that the Emergency Communications Program status reports were in the meeting packet for review.

Homeland Security Status Report

1. Consider Approval of Prioritization List for LETPA/SHSP Funding
Mr. Cruz stated that at the March Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) meeting the FY 2019-2020 Homeland Security Grant Program, State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSP)/Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA) applications were reviewed and prioritized. He provided the prioritization list and stated that Board approval is required to move forward. ***Mr. Ron Mills made a motion to approve the prioritization list for LETPA and SHSP funding as presented. Mayor Pro-tem Pete Garcia seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

2. Consider Approval of Revisions to Homeland Security Advisory Committee's (HSAC) Bylaws
The HSAC convened on March 7 in accordance with the Office of the Governor's – Public Safety Office Inter-Cooperative Agreement to review and update the HSAC bylaws. **Mr. Paul Hernandez made a motion to approve the revisions to the HSAC bylaws as presented. Mayor Pro-tem Pete Garcia seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.** Upon conclusion of action Mr. Cruz noted that the Homeland Security Program status reports were in the meeting packet for review. He announced that the South Texas All Hazard Conference which began today was off to a great start with record breaking registration.

Regional Police Academy Status Report

1. Consider Approval of Police Academy Advisory Committee Members
Mr. Cruz informed the Board that in accordance with Texas Administration Code, Title 37, Part 7, Rule 215.7, Training Academy Advisory Board and academy must maintain an Advisory Board as required by Texas Occupations Code 1701.252 which requires one-third of the members to be public members. The Advisory Committee recommends approval for Ms. Gloria Ocampo and Ms. Daisy Lopez to fill the vacancies in the Public Members category. **Mayor Rick Cavazos made a motion to approve Ms. Ocampo and Ms. Lopez to fill the vacancies in the Public Members category as recommended by the Police Academy Advisory Committee. Member-at-Large Eddy Gonzalez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.**
2. Consider Approval of Updated Memorandum of Understanding with Partner Agencies
These Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) have been updated for the Harlingen Police Department, Mission Police Department, Hidalgo Police Department and the San Benito Police Department. Mr. Cruz stated that these agencies assist with facilitating and instruction of the Regional Police Academy Basic Peace Officer Course, and that the documents were in the meeting packet for review. **Mr. Troy Allen made a motion to approve the Memorandums of Understanding as presented. Commissioner David Garza seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.**
3. Consider Approval of Inter-local Agreement between LRGVDC Regional Police Academy and Regional Police Agencies Requesting Training Hours
The Regional Police Academy reports training hours to TCOLE for multiple agencies throughout the region. To maintain compliance with TCOLE and the Regional Police Academy Advisory Committee bylaws, this Inter-local Agreement will establish general guidelines for all agencies requesting that their training hours be reported by the Regional Police Academy to TCOLE. The agreement was provided to the Board in the meeting packet for review. **Mr. Ron Mills made a motion to approve the Inter-local Agreement between LRGVDC Regional Police Academy and regional police agencies requesting training hours.**
4. Consider Approval of Resolutions for Regional Law Enforcement Training Academy Grant Program FY 2020
Mr. Cruz stated that in accordance with the Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Grant Division, the LRGVDC is required to submit a resolution for this grant application. A copy of the resolution was provided for review. **Commissioner Julian Guevara made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Mayor Pro-tem Norie Gonzalez Garza seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.** Upon conclusion of action Mr. Cruz noted that the regular status reports for the Regional Police Academy were in the meeting packet for review.

E. Transportation

Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization Status Report

HCMPO Assistant Director Linda De La Fuente was recognized and announced that the 9th Annual Walk-N-Rolla event is scheduled for April 27, 2019. This year the proceeds of the event will go to the Laurie P. Andrews PAWS (Pet Adoption and Wellness Services) Center. Registration is \$15.00 or five cans of cat and/or dog food. The HCMPO will have an Open House at their office from 2:00 – 4:00 PM today, and another one tomorrow, March 28, and at the Pharr Library from 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

Valley Metro Status Report

Valley Metro Director Tom Logan was recognized and informed the Board that the regular status reports were in the meeting packet. He was proud to announce that year-to-date for the first six months of their fiscal year Valley Metro has transported 446,000 passengers which is a 16% increase in ridership. There have been 36,000 riders on the new Route 16, the Hidalgo County Court Circulator. Mr. Garza informed the Board that the Harlingen Terminal has been moved to the new “T” Street location and it has become a very busy terminal.

President Garcia next moved to item 6. – New or Unfinished Business. There being none, she called for a motion to adjourn. ***Raymondville Commissioner Edward Gonzales made a motion to adjourn, Mayor Jim Darling seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:39 pm.***

ATTEST:

Hon. Norma G. Garcia, President

Deborah Morales, Recording Secretary

ITEM #4. A.

ADMINISTRATION

**QUARTERLY
INVESTMENT
REPORT**

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Quarterly Investment Report
January 1, 2019 through March 31, 2019

This quarterly report is in full compliance with investment policy and strategy as established for the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council and the Public Funds Investment Act.

Recorded Interest Income for the quarter \$9,025.20

	Beginning 01/01/19	Ending 03/31/19
Investments in TexPool Prime:		
Water Plan	\$61,162.25	\$61,554.69
9-1-1	1,000,484.97	164,118.15
TCEQ	261,942.32	166,246.08
Transit	507,843.85	544,369.30
TWDB	71,193.59	40,234.40
GLO-Closing Cost	96,172.50	96,789.50
Kari's Law	126,627.56	95,337.69
Tire Project	22,220.22	22,362.79
Total	\$2,147,647.26	\$1,191,012.60

TexPool Prime Rate as of March 31, 2019 – 2.6323%

This report of pooled fund investments is in compliance with the written investment policy and investment strategy approved by the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors and is in compliance with the relevant portions of the Public Funds Investment Act.



Crystal Balboa
Director of Finance

ITEM #4. C.

ADMINISTRATION

**EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR
REPORT**

LEADERSHIP MATTERS

The single most important factor in any organization's success is its people.

People make decisions; take actions; achieve results. Bringing out the best in people is called leadership. Leaders create an environment for their people that directs, drives and supports them to perform at their highest potential.

Rolando Garza and **David Biemer** are specialists in providing engaging programs on leadership development, grounded in proven principles of organizational science. Other areas of expertise include: supervision, team development, coaching, change management and succession planning

Rolando Garza has more than 43 years of experience at the highest levels of executive leadership in State government. Over the years he has delivered numerous presentations on leadership development, organizational change management, and employee engagement. He has been instrumental in developing management and leadership development programs and creating mentorship opportunities for employees during his career.

Dr. David Biemer is on the faculty of the McCoy College of Business Administration, Texas State University, where he teaches graduate and undergraduate courses on management and leadership. He has had over 25 years developing the next generation of leaders in State government. Most recently he held the position of Chief Learning Officer of one of the largest public service agencies in Texas.

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The Laurie P. Andrews



9th Annual Walk-N-Rolla

Date: SAT. APRIL 27th 2019

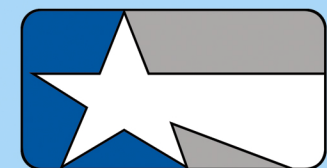
Location: Edinburg City Hall (New Location)

TIME: 8AM-1PM

Benefiting:

The Laurie P. Andrews PAWS Center

Glazer's



Lone Star National Bank
The Valley's Bank.



ITEM #5. A.

**ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

Item #5: Department Reports

A. Economic Development

Economic Development Status Report..... Terrie G. Salinas, Director

- Regional Small Cities Coalitions

This month's Regional Small Cities Coalition was hosted by the City of Los Fresnos. The RSCC was the first regional group to meet in their new, beautiful Emergency Services Building. Mr. Mark Milum, City Manager, invited us to come back in a few months when they open their new City Hall building which is just in front of this facility. Congratulations to the City of Los Fresnos.



This month's guest speaker was Ms. Enriqueta "Keta" Caballero, the Director of Border Affairs for Secretary David Whitley. The RSCC was also honored to have Deputy Secretary of State Joe Esparza speak at our meeting.

Mr. Esparza was sworn in as Texas Deputy Secretary of State on December 14, 2018 and accompanied Ms. Caballero to the RSCC Meeting. The Deputy Secretary and Ms. Caballero provided the Coalition with great information and resources for the Border region. The RSCC thanked Mr. Esparza for his time and service and invited him to come back soon.





Regional Small Cities Coalition Members at April 11, 2019 meeting with Ms. Keta Caballero (left), Nelda Barrera (TDA) and Deputy Secretary of State Joe Esparza (center).

In addition to Ms. Caballero's presentation, Mr. Rolando Vela provided an update on Legislative Issues and Mrs. Terrie Salinas provided updated reports on the 10th Annual Texas Rural Challenge, RGV Focus, Kari's Law Workshop, and the PACE Summits held in Willacy and Hidalgo Counties. Both PACE events were successful, and staff is helping Mrs. Heydinger with the upcoming summit for Cameron County. The Coalition and staff also thanked Ms. Nelda Barrera, Field Representative for Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) for the free booth at the 80th Annual Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. In addition to Kari's Law information, the Area Agency on Aging Department took advantage of this great opportunity to promote its program and services.

- **Readiness for Resilience Workshop**

Staff also announced a very important event received from the Economic Development Administration (EDA) Regional Office. EDA has partnered with Texas A&M Agri Life Extension and others to promote the "Readiness for Resilience Workshop: A Smart Technology Roadmap for Texas".

"This two-day workshop is a continuation of their commitment to long-term community resilience through the Smart Technology Roadmap for Texas. Community stakeholders. Technology partners will convene and discuss post-Harvey regional project directions, case studies, public-private partnerships, and funding opportunities. This workshop will provide useful information in preparing for 'tomorrow's disaster'. A copy of the registration flyer is attached."

- **Texas Rural Funders Collaborative**

Lastly staff announced that an invitation to join the Texas Rural Funders Collaborative (TRFC) has been received. This group is made up of private foundations, community foundations, and health-conversion foundations that represent a variety of interests for rural areas. This group will identify relevant short and long-term strategies to pursue, including actionable information for other public and private organizations to use. They have already compiled research reports on rural Texas to start the conversation about the hard realities as well as rural success stories. The first meeting will be held May 7-8 in Austin.

Staff will work closely with Ms. Barrera who is also representing the Valley. For more detailed information, please contact Mrs. Salinas.

- Kari's Law Project

The Economic Development Department is providing information on Kari's Law and 911 to businesses and public agencies in Hidalgo and Willacy Counties. For new Board members, Kari's Law is an amendment that was made to the "Communications Act of 1934 that requires most multi-line telephone systems to be pre-configured so users may call '911' without dialing any additional digit, code, prefix or post-fix, including any trunk-access code, such as the digit '9'. Additionally, a MLTS must be capable of sending alerts to a designated central point of contact either within the building housing the system or to an outside location".

This law does not wish to cause businesses and public agencies undue financial burden, but they must comply with Kari's Law and make sure their phone systems can provide direct access to 911. Secondly, this law is not only in Texas anymore, it is a "national law" therefore there is a penalty for failing to comply. According to this Legal Alert by Best, Best & Krieger, LLP, *"Any 'willful and knowing' noncompliance may lead to a fine of up to \$10,000. Violators may incur additional penalties, including up to \$500 for each day of noncompliance."*

Staff would also like to announce that April 14-20, 2019 is "National Public Safety Telecommunications Week" and we encourage our city and county officials to visit their Telecommunicators and thank them personally for their service. I called each of the PSAP Departments in our region and thanked them and emailed a thank you card addressed to the PSAP Supervisor on behalf of the LRGVDC Board and Economic Development Department (Kari's Law Project).

Your dispatchers and public safety telecommunicators are the unsung heroes in our everyday lives because they are the critical lifeline to other first responders. They serve as a vital link between your community and fire, medical, and law enforcement agencies and the work they do may one day end up saving your life or the life of your loved one.

ONLINE REGISTRATION

OPEN UNTIL MAY 14



Telecommunication



Public Safety



Transportation



Energy



A Smart Technology Roadmap For Texas

Readiness for Resilience

Register at : agriliferegister.tamu.edu/Watershed

Join us for this two day workshop as we continue our commitment to long-term community resilience through the Smart Technology Roadmap for Texas. Community stakeholders and technology partners will convene and discuss post-Harvey regional project directions, case studies, public-private partnerships, and funding opportunities. Register today!

**GALVESTON ISLAND
CONVENTION CENTER**

MONDAY, MAY 20
10 am -5 pm

TUESDAY, MAY 21
8 am -12:30 pm

Agenda and Hotel Information:
tcwp.tamu.edu/SmartTech



Qualcomm Incorporated has sponsored this program to assist Texas communities impacted by Hurricane Harvey



Smart**Cities**Council



For more information contact smikulencak@tamu.edu or cyork@tamu.edu

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Item #5: Department Reports

A. Economic Development

Census 2020 Blanca Davila, Assistant Director

LRGVDC will host the next RGV Census 2020 Regional Taskforce Meeting and the Regional Census Tracts Updates – Forum on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM

Explore RGV Blanca Davila, Assistant Director

Explore RGV received the one-year extension from the Economic Development Administration to carry out the regional marketing campaign and ensure the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council secures Explore RGV's intellectual property rights.

The initial intellectual property rights trademark search outcome was favorable. Next steps consist of beginning the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) registration application of EXPLORE RGV word mark and logo.

Explore RGV is ready for download at the Apple Store and Google Play or visit www.goexplorergv.com. Please follow @goexplorergv on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook.

ITEM #5. B.

**COMMUNITY
&
ENVIRONMENTAL
SERVICES**

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B. Community & Environmental Services.....Marcie Oviedo, Director

Community Development Status Report

- 1. Consider Approval of Resolution 2019-01 Proclaiming April National Fair Housing Month**

LRGVDC Staff is requesting approval of a resolution declaring April as National Fair Housing Month and supporting the awareness of Fair Housing.

ACTION ITEM



Regional Council of Governments & Economic Development District serving Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy County

RESOLUTION 2019-01

PROCLAMING APRIL AS NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS, the **Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council** (LRGVDC) finds that decent, safe, and affordable housing is part of the American dream and a goal of all Rio Grande Valley residents;

WHEREAS, individuals in the Rio Grande Valley have the right to choose where to live without discrimination based on race, color, religion, age, gender, familial status, marital status, national origin, and/or disability;

WHEREAS, acts of housing discrimination and barriers to equal housing opportunity are repugnant to a common sense of decency and fairness;

WHEREAS, federal and state laws affirm the right of every person to equal housing opportunity;

WHEREAS, fair housing is a positive community good;

WHEREAS, economic stability, community health, and human relations in all communities are improved by diversity and integration;

WHEREAS, stable, integrated, and balanced residential patterns are threatened by discriminatory acts and unlawful housing practices that result in segregation of residents and opportunities in our region;

WHEREAS, the talents of grassroots and non-profit organizations, housing service providers, financial institutions, elected officials, state agencies, and others must be combined to promote and preserve integration, fair housing, and equal opportunity.

NOW, THEREFORE, I Norma G. Garcia, President of LRGVDC do hereby proclaim the month of **April** as:

“NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH”

to establish an open and inclusive community committed to fair housing and to promote appropriate activities by private and public entities intended to provide or advocate for integration and equal housing opportunities for all residents and prospective residents of the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Adopted and approved by the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors this 24th, day of April 2019.

Honorable Norma G. Garcia
LRGVDC Board President

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B. Community & Environmental Services.....Marcie Oviedo, Director

Community Development Status Report

- **HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program**

The Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council was awarded contracts with the Texas General Land Office (GLO) as a subrecipient to administer HUD CDBG-Disaster Recovery funding issued as a result of Hurricane Dolly. All funds have been expensed for the following: Non-Family Rental, Multi-Family Rental, and administrative costs. The grant funds awarded to the LRGVDC were expensed and projects have been completed at a 100%. The contract between LRGVDC and the (GLO) for Multi-Family Rental ended December 31, 2018. LRGVDC is working with GLO to finalize contract close-out.

Environmental Resources Status Report

- **Solid Waste Management Program**

Staff continues to provide technical assistance and outreach and continues to monitor all Solid Waste Management Projects. Contracts for FY-2018 are nearing completion and FY-2019 contracts have been executed and will be completed by July 31, 2019. All information pertaining to the Solid Waste Program is available at www.lrgvdc.org/solidwaste.html

- **Water Resources**

- **Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee**

The Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee has met informally and is discussing the development of their Bylaws and committee representation.

- **Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (Region M)**

Please visit the Region M Website at www.riograndewaterplan.org for updates on the 2021 Regional Water Plan and other Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group activities.

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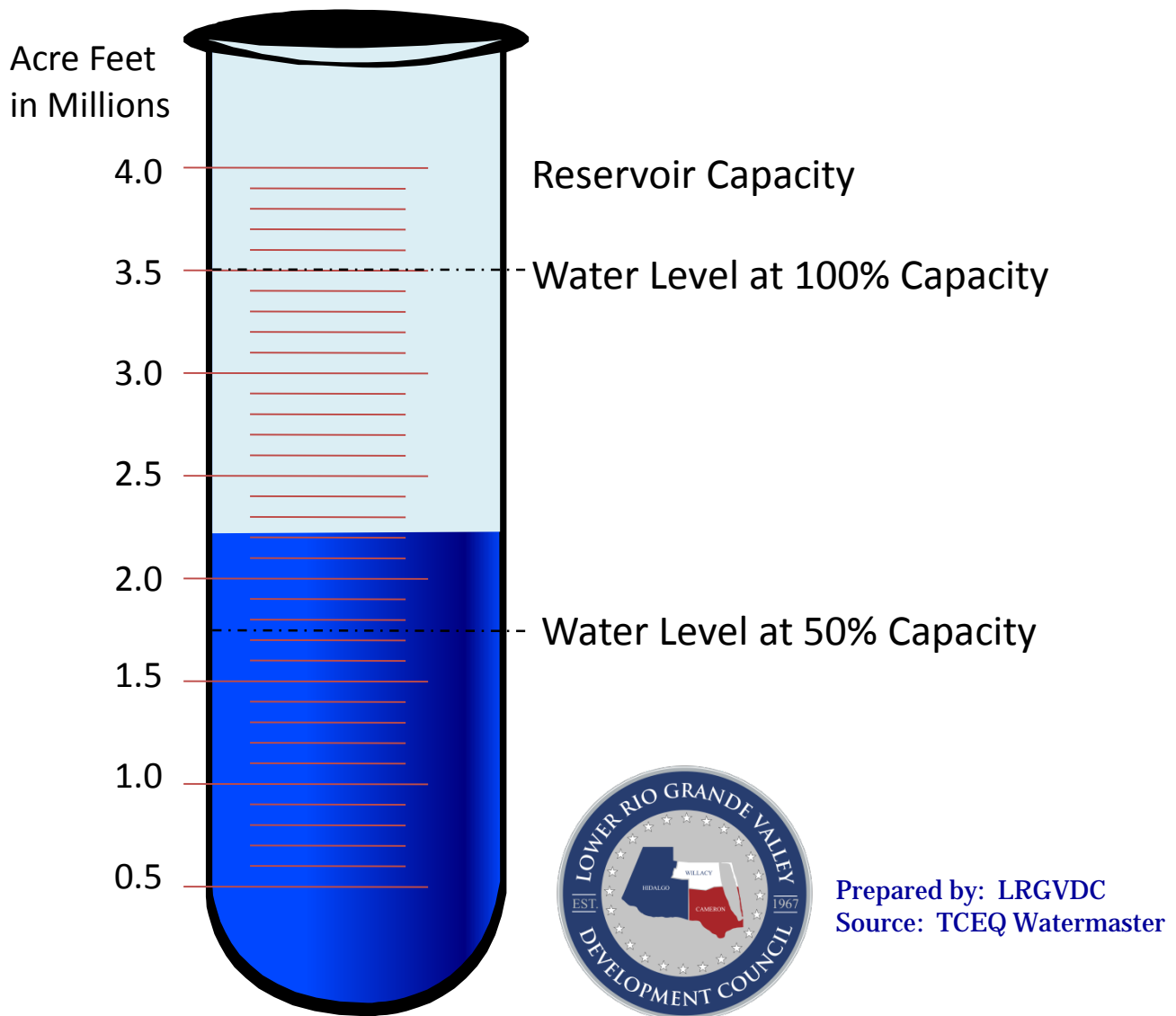
B. Community & Environmental Services.....Marcie Oviedo, Director

▪ **Reservoir Levels**

On April 13, 2019, the U.S. combined ownership at Amistad/Falcon stood at 65.01% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 2,205,131 acre-feet, up from 61.43% (2,083,525 AF) of normal conservation a year ago. Overall the system is holding 50.10% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 2,967,199 acre-feet with Amistad at 60.64% of conservation capacity, impounding 1,986,240 acre-feet and Falcon at 37.06% of conservation capacity, impounding 980,959 acre-feet. Mexico has 30.12% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 762,067 acre-feet at Amistad/Falcon.

Water Levels at Amistad and Falcon Reservoirs (U.S. Ownership)

4/13/2019, 65.01% of Capacity or 2,205,131 AF
up from 2,083,525 AF of Normal Conservation a year ago



**NOTE: Mexico Ownership/Reservoir Capacity for
April 13, 2019: 30.12% (762,067) A.F.**

Rio Grande Watermaster Report

04/13/19

Amistad

Normal Conservation Elevation	340.462	Meters	1,117.00 Feet	
Water Elevation	333.255	Meters	1,093.35 Feet	-23.64
Total Normal Conservation Capacity	4,040,325	TCM	3,275,532 Acre-Feet	
Total Combined Storage	2,450,000	TCM	1,986,240 Acre-Feet	60.64%
US Share of Current Storage	1,749,000	TCM	1,417,932 Acre-Feet	71.39%
Mexico share of Current Storage	701,000	TCM	568,308 Acre-Feet	28.61%
TOTAL RELEASES AVG	118.00	CMS	4,167 CFS	
US Release AVG	22.40	CMS	791 CFS	18.98%
Mexico Release AVG	95.60	CMS	3,376 CFS	81.02%
TOTAL INFLOWS AVG	58.00	CMS	2,048 CFS	
US Inflows AVG	41.00	CMS	1,448 CFS	
Mexico Inflows AVG	17.00	CMS	600 CFS	
US Reservoir Loss	14.80	CMS	523 CFS	

Falcon

Normal Conservation Elevation	91.805	Meters	301.20 Feet	
Water Elevation	83.790	Meters	274.90 Feet	-26.30
Total Normal Conservation Capacity	3,264,813	TCM	2,646,817 Acre-Feet	
Total Combined Storage	1,210,000	TCM	980,959 Acre-Feet	37.06%
US Share of Current Storage	971,000	TCM	787,199 Acre-Feet	80.25%
Mexico share of Current Storage	239,000	TCM	193,760 Acre-Feet	19.75%
Total Releases AVG	104.00	CMS	3,673 CFS	
US Release AVG	10.60	CMS	374 CFS	10.19%
Mexico Release AVG	93.40	CMS	3,298 CFS	89.81%
TOTAL INFLOWS AVG	57.50	CMS	2,031 CFS	
US Inflows AVG	36.50	CMS	1,289 CFS	
Mexico Inflows AVG	21.00	CMS	742 CFS	
US Reservoir Loss	9.16	CMS	323 CFS	

Overall Status

Normal Conservation Capacity - Amistad	4,040,325	TCM	3,275,532 Acre-Feet	
US Share of Amistad Normal Conservation	2,270,663	TCM	1,840,849 Acre-Feet	
Current US share of Normal Conservation	1,749,000	TCM	1,417,932 Acre-Feet	77.03%
Normal Conservation Capacity - Falcon	3,264,813	TCM	2,646,817 Acre-Feet	
US Share of Falcon Normal Conservation	1,913,180	TCM	1,551,034 Acre-Feet	
Current US share of Normal Conservation	971,000	TCM	787,199 Acre-Feet	50.75%
Normal Capacity - Amistad/Falcon System	7,305,138	TCM	5,922,348 Acre-Feet	
Normal Conservation Capacity - US	4,183,843	TCM	3,391,883 Acre-Feet	57.27%
Normal Conservation Capacity - Mexico	3,121,295	TCM	2,530,466 Acre-Feet	42.73%
Current Storage US	2,720,000	TCM	2,205,131 Acre-Feet	65.01%
Current Storage Mexico	940,000	TCM	762,067 Acre-Feet	30.12%
Current Storage - Amistad - Falcon System	3,660,000	TCM	2,967,199 Acre-Feet	
Percent of Storage Capacity	50.10%		50.10%	

ITEM #5. C.

**HEALTH
&
HUMAN SERVICES**

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors Meeting**

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

Item #5: Department Reports

C. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging (AAoA) Status Report Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

1. Consider Approval to Issue Request for Proposals and Contractor Solicitation RE:
AAOA Services Under Title III of Older Americans Act

The Advisory Council recommends approval to authorize the Area Agency on Aging to issue a request for proposal (RFP) and to solicit contractors for the period of fiscal year 2020.

The RFP is to procure such services as congregate meals, home delivered meals, transportation, senior center operations, caregiver education and training, and other services as needed.

The solicitation of contractors is to procure services that case managers acquire for their clients on an individual basis. These services include medical transportation, homemaker, respite care, residential modifications, medication assistance, medical supplies, and durable medical equipment.

The RFP and the solicitation of contracts will be posted in June 2019.

ACTION ITEM

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C. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging (AAoA) Status Report Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

2. Consider Approval to Provide Housing Bond Funding to COTO de Casa to Provide Housing Repairs for Seniors

COTO de Casa is a non-profit organization under the Mission Housing Authority. The Advisory Council recommends approval to award the Housing Bond funds to COTO de Casa to provide housing repairs for seniors.

The Housing Bond funds are a result of housing corporations that collect a fee from loans to multi-housing developments. The fee is paid in lieu of a 5% housing unit set aside for older persons of low to moderate income including veterans, homeless persons, heads of households, or other older persons. The fee is paid to the Texas Health and Human Services Commission. The government code directs the funds to be used to obtain housing for older persons. The funds are made available to the Area Agencies on Aging and the amount of funds for the LRGVDC Area Agency on Aging is \$19,082.

A second round is set to be released before the end of April and all funds must be expended by August 31, 2019.

ACTION ITEM

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C. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging Status Report Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

- **22nd Annual Centenarian Recognition Event**

The Area Agency on Aging is hosting the 22nd Annual Centenarian Recognition Event on Thursday, May 2 from 10 am – 2 pm at the Weslaco Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Center.

May has been designated as “Older Americans Month”. This event is a great opportunity to show appreciation to our Older Americans by recognizing their contributions that have made this country and the Rio Grande Valley a great place to live.

There are over 140 centenarians in this Area Agency on Aging region.

ITEM #5. D.

PUBLIC SAFETY

**CRIMINAL
JUSTICE**

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors Meeting**

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Item #5: Department Reports

D. Public Safety

Criminal Justice Program Status ReportManuel Cruz, Director

- 1. Consider Approval of Recommendations for FY 2019–2020 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Program Rankings and Resolutions**

The Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) convened on April 10, 2019 to review, score and rank the JAG and JJDP grant applications. The prioritization lists and accompanying resolutions are provided for review and consideration.

ACTION ITEM

CJAC Recommendations for Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) FY2019-2020					
Score	Ranking	Applicant & Project Name	Req. Amount	CJAC Recommendations	CJAC Comments
65.18	1	Hidalgo County, Domestic Violence Unit Grant # 3874801	\$171,115.50	\$81,590.65	CJAC Recommends funding the Domestic Violence Investigator in the amount of \$81,590.65.
63.75	2	Willacy County, Deputy Constable Project Grant # 3301203	\$105,654.00	\$80,000.00	Prioritized in the amount of \$80,000. CJAC confirmed with applicant project is sustainable with scaled amount.
60.75	3	Los Indios, Patrol Vehicle Grant # 3719201	\$45,000.00	\$35,000.00	Prioritized in the amount of \$35,000. CJAC confirmed with applicant project is sustainable with scaled amount.
60.04	4	Mission, City of Mission Technology Grant Program Grant # 3784601	\$89,475.00	\$89,475.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
59.64	5	La Joya ISD, Promoting Public Safety in all our Schools Grant # 3844701	\$28,807.00	\$14,403.50	Prioritized in the amount of \$14,403.50. CJAC confirmed with applicant project is sustainable with scaled amount.
58.07	6	Raymondville, Drug Enforcement Investigator Grant # 3853001	\$48,739.00	\$48,739.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
57.04	7	Hidalgo County, Hidalgo County Domestic Violence Court Grant # 3110404	\$143,481.04	\$36,537.85	Due to the shortfall of available funding, this application may be awarded the remaining amount of \$36,537.85. However, if additional funding becomes available the CJAC and LRGVDC Board request CJDs consideration to fund this project 100%
56.46	8	Edcouch, Interdiction Officer Grant # 3772601	\$34,138.00	\$0.00	If additional funding is available, the CJAC and LRGVDC Requests CJDs consideration to fund this project 100%
		Edcouch, Edcouch Juvenile Officer Grant # 3830001			CJAC Recommends this project to be moved and prioritized under the JJDP Funding Source.
2ND Tier (Did not attend mandatory grant workshop, placed in a second tier for any excess funding that may be available)					
57.25	9	Weslaco, JAG-Evidence Technician Grant # 3814401	\$42,255.50	\$0.00	If additional funding is available, the CJAC and LRGVDC Requests CJDs consideration to fund this project 100%
54.25	10	Laguna Vista PD, Body Worn Camera and in Car Video Grant # 3844901	\$61,500.00	\$0.00	If additional funding is available, the CJAC and LRGVDC Requests CJDs consideration to fund this project 100%
52.71	11	Valley View ISD, Improving Campus Safety Project Grant # 3772201	\$158,796.00	\$0.00	If additional funding is available, the CJAC and LRGVDC Requests CJDs consideration to fund this project 100%
43.75	12	Alton PD, Criminal Justice Program Grant Grant# 3763501	\$45,000.00	\$0.00	If additional funding is available, the CJAC and LRGVDC Requests CJDs consideration to fund this project 100%
Total Applications		12	Requestes:	\$973,961.04	
\$385,746.00		Fully Funded Applications Ranked # 1-6	Available:	\$385,746.00	
\$36,537.85		Funded Application w/remaining #7	Remaining Balance:	\$0.00	

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND SUBMITTING
FY 2019-2020 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Programs
To Criminal Justice Division**

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office of the State of Texas received a budget allocation for fiscal year 2019-2020 for the JAG Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the Board of Directors has recommended this list of priorities for available funds in the area of JAG Programs; and

WHEREAS, these applications serve Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy County agencies and therefore their populations; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office guidelines, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the LRGVDC Board of Directors have reviewed and prioritized each application received.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council as follows:

- SECTION 1:** The list of priorities is adopted as the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council FY2019-2020 Budget for the JAG Programs.
- SECTION 2:** The attached list by applicant and title has received favorable review under the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee requirement and strong recommendation for funding.
- SECTION 3:** The Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council is authorized to submit this priority list to the Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division.

Adopted and approved this 24th day of April 2019

HONORABLE NORMA G. GARCIA
LRGVDC Board of Directors, President

CJAC Recommendations for Juvenile Justice Grant Program (JJDP) FY2019-2020

Score	Ranking	Applicant & Project Name	Req. Amount	CJAC Recommendations	CJAC Comments
66.71	1	Cameron County, Juvenile Justice Departments Community-Based Treatment Services Grant # 3878801	\$48,001.50	\$48,001.50	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
66.54	2	Willacy County, Juvenile Justice Alternatives Grant # 1716916	\$40,092.00	\$40,092.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
65.46	3	Cameron County, Purchase of Juvenile Justice Alternatives Grant # 1471321	\$42,087.00	\$42,087.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
63.71	4	Alamo, Alamo Youth Center Positive Action Crew Grant # 3799401	\$38,012.64	\$38,012.64	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
63.68	5	Edcouch, Edcouch Juvenile Officer Grant # 3830001	\$34,138.00	\$34,138.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
63.25	6	Boys and Girls Club Edinburg RGV, H2O-Reset Program Grant # 3626002	\$127,868.11	\$127,868.11	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
2ND Tier (Did not attend mandatory grant workshop, placed in a second tier for any excess funding that may be available)					
62.39	7	Valley View ISD, Juvenile Crime- Prevention Project Grant # 3821701	\$15,171.00	\$15,171.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding

Total Applications	7	Requestes:	\$345,370.25
\$409,571.00	Fully Funded Applications Ranked # 1-7	Available:	\$409,571.00
		Remaining Balance:	\$64,200.75

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND SUBMITTING
FY 2019-2020 Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention (JJDP)
Programs to Criminal Justice Division**

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office of the State of Texas received a budget allocation for fiscal year 2019-2020 for the JJDP Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the Board of Directors has recommended this list of priorities for available funds in the area of JJDP Programs; and

WHEREAS, these applications serve Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy County agencies and therefore their populations; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office guidelines, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the LRGVDC Board of Directors have reviewed and prioritized each application received.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council as follows:

- SECTION 1:** The list of priorities is adopted as the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council FY2019-2020 Budget for the JJDP Programs.
- SECTION 2:** The attached list by applicant and title has received favorable review under the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee requirement and strong recommendation for funding.
- SECTION 3:** The Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council is authorized to submit this priority list to the Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division.
- SECTION 4:** For CJD to consider unused funds in the JJDP category to be made available, if allowable, to existing applicants in both JAG & JJDP categories and to accept consideration of additional applicants in an effort to utilize LRGVDC's full allocation of funds.

Adopted and approved this 24th day of April 2019

HONORABLE NORMA G. GARCIA
LRGVDC Board of Directors, President

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
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Item #5: Department Reports

D. Public Safety

Criminal Justice Program Status ReportManuel Cruz, Director

- 2. Consider Approval of FY 2019–2020 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Justice and Training Program and General Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Assistance Direct Services Program Rankings and Resolution**

Criminal Justice Advisory Committee Recommendations (CJAC) convened on April 11, 2019 to review, score, and rank both the VAWA and VOCA grant applications. The prioritization lists and accompanying resolutions are provided for review and consideration.

ACTION ITEM

CJAC Recommendations for Violence Against Women Justice and Training Program (VAWA) FY2019-2020

Score	Ranking	Applicant & Project Name	Req. Amount	CJAC Recommendations	CJAC Comments
72.19	1	Hidalgo County, Domestic Violence Specialty Prosecutor Grant # 2931305	\$79,294.96	\$79,294.96	CJAC prioritized Prosecutor Salary \$86,524.85 from JAG, Grant# 3874801; to be added towards the recommended amount totaling \$165,819.81. CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
69.85	2	Willacy, Domestic Violence Unit Grant # 2106511	\$63,198.01	\$63,198.01	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
2ND Tier (Did not attend mandatory grant workshop, placed in a second tier for any excess funding that may be available)					
62.07	3	Weslaco, Violence Against Women Training Grant # 3814701	\$14,377.50	\$14,377.50	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding

Total Applications	3	Requests:	\$156,870.47
\$257,513.00	Fully Funded Applications Ranked # 1-3	Available:	\$257,513.00
		Remaining Balance:	\$100,642.53

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND SUBMITTING
FY 2019-2020 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Projects
To Criminal Justice Division**

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office of the State of Texas received a budget allocation for fiscal year 2019-2020 for the VAWA Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the Board of Directors has recommended this list of priorities for available funds in the area of VAWA Programs; and

WHEREAS, these applications serve Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy County agencies and therefore their populations; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office guidelines, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the LRGVDC Board of Directors have reviewed and prioritized each application received.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council as follows:

- SECTION 1:** The list of priorities is adopted as the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council FY2019-2020 Budget for the VAWA Programs.
- SECTION 2:** The attached list by applicant and title has received favorable review under the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee requirement and strong recommendation for funding.
- SECTION 3:** The Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council is authorized to submit this priority list to the Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division.
- SECTION 4:** For CJD to consider unused funds in the VAWA category to be made available, if allowable, to existing applicants in both VAWA & VOCA categories and to accept consideration of additional applicants in an effort to utilize LRGVDC's full allocation of funds.

Adopted and approved this 24th day of April 2019

HONORABLE NORMA G. GARCIA
LRGVDC Board of Directors, President

CJAC Recommendations for General Victim Assistance Program (VOCA) FY2019-2020					
Score	Ranking	Applicant & Project Name	Req. Amount	CJAC Recommendations	CJAC Comments
94.53	1	Sullivan, City of, Crime Victims Liaison Grant# 3057403	\$67,374.56	\$67,374.56	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
92.59	2	San Juan, City of, Crime Victims Liaison Project Grant# 3801501	\$34,163.00	\$34,163.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
92.29	3	Cameron County, Domestic Violence Unit Grant # 1844914	\$266,221.94	\$266,221.94	Applicant advised the committee, CJD changed funding source from VAWA to VOCA due to larger funding amount available. Prosecution is ineligible under VOCA. Due to change being made by CJD, CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
92.12	4	Harlingen, City of, Crime Victim Liaison Grant #2555206	\$83,537.20	\$83,537.20	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
92.12	5	Women Together Foundation , Crime Victims Advocacy Project Grant # 1377820	\$592,006.00	\$592,006.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
92.06	6	Willacy County , Victims Assistance Unit Grant # 2106410	\$90,720.00	\$90,720.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
91.00	7	Raymondville, City of, Victims of Crime Program Grant# 3372603	\$45,996.00	\$45,996.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
90.94	8	Penitas, City of, Crime Victims Liaison Grant# 3056903	\$65,760.00	\$65,760.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
90.94	9	Friendship of Women, Survivor Empowerment & Advocacy Project: Rebuild, Restore & Preserve Grant# 3311903	\$176,366.83	\$176,366.83	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
89.71	10	Donna, City of, Crime Victims Liaison Grant# 3801601	\$34,120.00	\$34,120.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
88.06	11	Hidalgo County, Office-Victim Assistance Program Grant# 2924303	\$677,343.48	\$677,343.48	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
85.82	12	Hidalgo County, Victims Unit Court Advocate Project Grant# 3596402	\$1,021,281.23	\$1,021,281.23	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
84.35	13	Boys and Girls Clubs of Edinburg Rio Grande Valley Grant # 3554402	\$548,228.50	\$548,228.50	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
79.00	14	RGV Empowerment Zone Corp., Project EVICT (Empowering Victims to Initiate Change Today) Grant# 2759104	\$447,578.00	\$447,578.00	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
2ND Tier					
(Did not attend mandatory grant workshop, placed in a second tier for any excess funding that may be available)					
92.06	15	Weslaco, Crime Victim Liaison Grant # 3814601	\$35,931.55	\$35,931.55	CJAC Recommends 100% Funding
			Requests:	\$4,150,696.74	
Total Applications			15	Available:	\$4,579,354.00
\$4,579,354.00			Fully Funded Applications Ranked # 1-15	Remaining Balance:	\$428,657.26
NOTES					
CJAC Recommends to dissemination the remaining allocation evenly for all 15 Applications in the amount of \$28,577.15. With the consideration of the VOCA Match, should the applicant be unable to sustain the added cost, the CJAC Request for the remaining balance to be kept for next year RBE.					

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND SUBMITTING
FY 2019-2020 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant
To Criminal Justice Division**

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office of the State of Texas received a budget allocation for fiscal year 2019-2020 for the VOCA Program; and,

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the Board of Directors has recommended this list of priorities for available funds in the area of VOCA Programs; and

WHEREAS, these applications serve Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy County agencies and therefore their populations; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office guidelines, the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee and the LRGVDC Board of Directors have reviewed and prioritized each application received.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council as follows:

- SECTION 1:** The list of priorities is adopted as the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council FY2019-2020 Budget for the VOCA Programs.
- SECTION 2:** The attached list by applicant and title has received favorable review under the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee requirement and strong recommendation for funding.
- SECTION 3:** The Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council is authorized to submit this priority list to the Office of the Governor's Criminal Justice Division.
- SECTION 4:** For CJD to consider unused funds in the VOCA category to be made available, if allowable, to existing applicants in both VOCA & VAWA categories and to accept consideration of additional applicants in an effort to utilize LRGVDC's full allocation of funds.

Adopted and approved this 24th day of April 2019

HONORABLE NORMA G. GARCIA
LRGVDC Board of Directors, President

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D. Public Safety

Criminal Justice Program Status ReportManuel Cruz, Director

- **Regional Crime Victim's Liaison Program**

RCVL staff attended the Human Trafficking Conference April 1-2 at the STC-Pecan campus in McAllen. Staff also attended the Conference on Crimes Against Women April 9-11 in Dallas.

RCVL staff continues with outreach activities in Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy Counties to promote services for victims of crime. Plans are underway to provide further training for advocates of victims of crime.

ITEM #5. D.

PUBLIC SAFETY

**EMERGENCY
COMMUNICATIONS**

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
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D. Public Safety

Emergency Communications Status Report

1. **Consider Approval to Purchase Installation Services for Generators at Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs)**

As per LRGVDC procurement procedures, competitive sealed bids process solicited installation services for 13 generators at PSAPs.

The generators will provide backup power in the event of an electricity outage so PSAPs are able continue providing 9-1-1 services until power has been restored. The list of PSAPs receiving new generators is subject to change to a lesser amount pending evaluation of equipment and building specifications at some of the locations.

Solicitation of bids was conducted, and one qualifying bid was received. After further research and negotiations, the selected, recommended vendor is Loftin Equipment Co. which will provide installations services, equipment set-up, and engineering services to meet all building requirements and codes. Following Board approval, LRGVDC will enter into contractual services at an average cost of \$63,180 per unit.

This is a budgeted line item with the Emergency Communications/9-1-1 Program approved by the funding agency, CSEC.

LRGVDC policy requires Board approval for purchases exceeding \$25,000.

ACTION ITEM

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D. Public Safety

Emergency Communications Status Report

2. Consider Approval of 9-1-1 (Stage 2 A) Strategic Plan

As per CSEC requirements for the next biennium, regional planning commissions must submit a stage 2 strategic plan that outlines details of the region to include Next Generation 9-1-1, equipment plan summary, network, contingency plan, monitoring, and training requirements. Attached is the document that will be submitted in Salesforce to CSEC for your review and approval.

ACTION ITEM

Budget Stage 2A for
Lower Rio Grande - 2020-2021 - Strategic Plan
Budget Stage Detail

Budget Stage Name	BSN-005021	Status	Submitted
Strategic Plan	Lower Rio Grande - 2020-2021 - Strategic Plan	Record Type	Stage 2A
Account	Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council	Released Date	03/20/2019
Phone	(956) 682-3481	Due Date	04/12/2019
Fax		Working Date	04/08/2019
Biennium	2020-2021	Submitted Date	04/10/2019
Amendment		Accepted Date	

1. NG 9-1-1

A. How many S/Rs serve your region?	2	B. Select the S/Rs in your region.	CC1 – Corpus Christi Tulip; HA1 – Harlingen
C. Do you have PSAPs in split rate center	Yes	D. Who provides your regional ESInet?	Spectrum and AT&T Fiber
E. Who maintains your regional ESInet?	Insight RNOC	F. Current version of your CPE?	West Viper version 5.1/Power 911 SR 6.4-Mapflex SR 5.4

2. Network Diagrams

A. Is your network diagram attached?	Yes	B. Are all PSAPs clearly marked?	Yes
C. Are all carriers clearly marked?	Yes	D. Is your database provider marked?	Yes
E. Is your TCC clearly marked?	Yes	F. Is the circuit count marked?	Yes
G. Is a regional diagram provided?	Yes		

4. Network Testing Plan

A. How often network testing performed?	Monthly	B. Who performs the network testing?	RPC staff
C. Is a checklist used?	No	D. Log maintained for Network Testing?	No
E. Do you have a policy on findings?	Yes		

5. Contingency Routing Plan

A. Have you reviewed your plan?	Yes
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6. PSAP Monitoring Plan

A. Do you use the CSEC checklist?	Yes	B. Do you have a policy on findings?	Yes
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7. Database Maintenance Plan

A. What mapping software is utilized?	ArcGIS	B. GIS extensions used?	GIS DM (GeoComm)
C: Data Standard Implemented?	Yes	D: RCL Layer	Yes
E: SSAP Layer	Yes	F: PSAP Boundary Layer	Yes
G: Fire Layer	Yes	H: EMS Layer	Yes
I: Law Layer	Yes	J: Fire, EMS, Law Layer	Yes
K: PSAP maps	Daily	L: Process for topological errors?	Yes
M: Process for EGDMS errors?	Yes	N: Process for ALI/RCL synch?	Yes
O: Staff member responsible for L, M, N	Joe Garcia		

8. Public Education

A. # of people to reach this Biennium?	10,000+	B. Imp topics to cover this biennium	Text to 911; Kari's Law; Know Your Location; Basics of 9-1-1; Other
C. Public Education networks used	PET;NPEF;Other	D. Mascots or 9-1-1 Ed Programs Used	Cell Phone Sally; Red E Fox
E. Websites/Social Media Sites Used:	Twitter;Other	F. Social Media Policy in Use?	No

9. Performance Monitoring

Row Number	Y1 Q1 Amount	Y1 Q2 Amount	Y1 Q3 Amount	Y1 Q4 Amount	Y2 Q1 Amount	Y2 Q2 Amount	Y2 Q3 Amount	Y2 Q4 Amount
1	145000	145000	145000	145000	145000	145000	145000	145000
2	116000	116000	116000	116000	116000	116000	116000	116000
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5								
6	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
9	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500

1. Total number of 9-1-1 calls received by PSAPs.

2. Total number of Wireless 9-1-1 calls received by PSAPs. 3. Number of equipment installations.

4. Number of reported 9-1-1 network outages that equal or exceed two hours.

5. Percentage of total dollar value of purchasing and contracts awarded to HUBs. 6. Number of PSAP monitoring visits.

7. Number of PSAPs transitioned to NG9-1-1 Systems. 8. Number of PSAPs capable of Text-to-911.

9. Number of Texts Received

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Item #5: Department Reports

D. Public Safety

Emergency Communications Status Report

- Location Validation Program

Staff constantly generates address tickets, addresses new subdivisions and customer requests for 9-1-1 Physical Addresses in Hidalgo and Willacy Counties. Staff continues to meet with local cities to discuss annexations and discrepancies such as incorrect addresses as they arise.

During the month of March 2019, the department hosted its first Addressing Workshop. There were over 30 attendees which included Planning staff from our neighboring cities of Laredo, Eagle Pass, and Corpus Christi. Planning department staff from Cameron County and Hidalgo County also attended.

- Database Program

Database staff updates the 9-1-1 database and adds new streets and ranges as new subdivisions are developed in Hidalgo and Willacy Counties. In March five Telephone Numbers (TN) were corrected, and fifty-five streets in the Master Street Address Guide (MSAG) were added/updated. Also, over 350 address request calls were received which resulted in 322 address tickets for 9-1-1 physical addresses. Staff also updates the No Record Found (NRF) list received from West Inc. daily. The NRFs are those telephone numbers that dial 9-1-1 and no record shows in the 9-1-1 system.

Additionally, staff validates 9-1-1 physical addresses for West Inc. on the new VOIP (Voice Over Internet Protocol) TNs being issued in this Region. This process is performed because it is the telephone company's responsibility to validate a phone number's physical address before issuing them to customers.

- Mapping Program

Mapping Program staff has transitioned all 9-1-1 physical address data to the new State approved EGDMS Schema; this change is vital to the future of 9-1-1 call routing. It has been implemented at the LRGVDC 9-1-1 office as well as the host sites at McAllen PD and the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office. The EGDMS 3 project has started and we have completed our initial data load. Staff continuously works on address point verification to ensure accurate call routing in the new I-3 9-1-1 Environment. Mapping staff received training on publishing

data on the internet which will better our understanding of ArcGIS online. Staff also continues to update address information on our local maps. We are continuing our efforts in training staff to become more efficient and are focusing heavily on expanding our GIS web presence.

- **System and Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations**

Systems staff continues monitoring our PSAP sites. Installation of a third Host site at our Weslaco facility that will create a segregated network. Systems staff has also acquired Amp for Endpoints and Umbrella to increase our 9-1-1 office cybersecurity network. Systems team has begun the process of moving equipment from Mercedes PD PSAP to its new home at the Weslaco PD co-location facility at 1912 Joe Stephens Ave. in Weslaco. Systems staff is in the process of upgrading PSAP front room equipment at each of our 18 PSAPs.

- **Public Education/Training Program**

Public Education is an ongoing priority for the Emergency Communications 9-1-1 Division and staff continues to reach out to communities to educate residents. The 9-1-1 Division distributed 10,978 promotional items in March.

Public Education events that took place in March were as follows:

- Border Fest – March 2, 2019
- Arbor Day – March 2, 2019
- Career Day Julian S. Adame Elementary – March 8, 2019
- Pharr PSAP Tour – March 19, 2019
- South Texas All Hazards Conference MCC March 27-28, 2019

March Training:

- COHART Training – HCSO Academy March 18-22, 2019

Event Request Notice: All event requests must be submitted through our online system. This “*Online Request Form*” must be submitted 14 business days prior to the event. All fields must be populated, and the event flier must be uploaded. To view the online system, visit our website: www.lrgvdc911.org and select the “*Event Request*” tab. Once the event has been submitted, an ECOMMS staff member will receive the notification and approve or deny the event based on availability.

ITEM #5. D.

PUBLIC SAFETY

**HOMELAND
SECURITY**

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors Meeting**

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

Item #5: Department Reports

D. Public Safety

Homeland Security Program Status Report.....Manuel Cruz, Director

- **Homeland Security Program**

At the April 4, 2019 Homeland Security Advisory Committee meeting the committee celebrated its 15th anniversary. Since 2004 the HSAC has been instrumental in strengthening our region's ability to protect, prevent, mitigate, respond to, and recover from those greatest threats and hazards to the RGV communities. KRGV Channel 5 News was also honored with a plaque as a token of appreciation for their financial contributions to the Regional Interop Communications fund. Mr. John Kittleman, General Manager, accepted the plaque on behalf of KRGV Channel 5 News.

Juanita Saenz, Program Supervisor for Homeland Security & Criminal Justice Programs, has been invited to serve on the Texas Public Safety Training Strategic Advisory Group; the group is an initiative of the Office of the Texas Statewide Interoperability Coordinator Office. The purpose of this group is to update training materials for radios and outreach mechanisms that will promote interoperability.

Staff hosted a Bomb-Making Material Awareness Program (BMAP) Community Liaison course on April 23, 2019 at the LRGVDC. The course enhances public safety and the security of all Texans by educating retailers about HME and IED materials and ingredients; raising awareness of suspicious purchasing patterns; and preventing terrorist use of HMEs and IEDs in the state.

Staff continues to provide technical assistance to jurisdictions with Emergency Management Plans (EMPs) and identify training opportunities for regional first responders. Staff is also working on purchasing equipment for some of the area's first responders via recent grant awards and continues to manage the fire coordinator grant-funded position for the Emergency Training Alliance Board Fire Academy #50 which is currently underway.

Staff assisted in hosting the annual Public Safety Communications Focus Group session and completed the workbooks to update our status of interoperable communications. The purpose of this effort is for public safety communications stakeholders in our region to work together to review goals of interoperable communications and the progress toward them and to discuss regional focus for the coming year(s).

The region's input is a valuable part of the annual Texas Department of Safety Report on Interoperable Communications to the Texas Legislature.

- Citizen Corps Program (CCP)/Community Preparedness

Staff continues to promote its community preparedness campaign, Ready RGV!, which can be found online at www.readyrgv.org. Staff promoted Ready RGV! at the Human Trafficking Conference held at the STC-Pecan campus in McAllen on April 2, 2019.

ITEM #5. D.

PUBLIC SAFETY

**REGIONAL
POLICE ACADEMY**

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

Item #5: Department Reports

D. Public Safety

Regional Police Academy Status Report

- In-Service Training

The Regional Police Academy continues to offer in-service training throughout the region. During the timeframe of March 18–April 12, 2019 the Regional Police Academy has facilitated training in the area of Civilian Interaction, Intermediate Use of Force, Intermediate Arrest Search and Seizure, and Verbal De-Escalation. The Regional Police Academy will be conducting the Civilian Response to Active Shooter at La Feria ISD in May at their request. This training will occur over three days.

- Grant Writing USA Workshop

Bringing training to the region remains a priority for the Regional Police Academy. The Academy is currently coordinating with Grant Writing USA to bring their training on grant writing and grant management to the region. The grant writing workshop will be offered in June or July and will be followed by grant management in September or October. In coordination with the Edinburg Police Department and TEEEX, the 40-hour course of Intermediate Defensive Tactics will be held in Edinburg in July.

- Additional Training Courses

As the Academy receives requests we will continue to build, host, and instruct courses. Additional courses currently being scheduled are Firearms Instructor, Advanced TCOLE Instructor, Field Training Officer, and Radar Instructor.

- Report on Current Academies

The 199th Night Academy and 200th Day Academy are still in process and is progressing on schedule. Testing is in progress for the 201st Day Academy and the 202nd Night Academy. The 201st has a tentative start date in August 2019 while the 202nd has a tentative start date in January 2020.

ITEM #5. E.

TRANSPORTATION

VALLEY METRO

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Board of Directors Meeting

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Item #5: Department Reports

E. Transportation

Valley Metro Status Report Tom Logan, Director

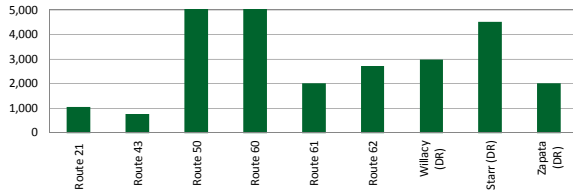
- Ridership Report

Both the rural and urban transit systems are operating, and all systems are monitored daily. For the month of March 2019 ridership for the urban system, which operates Monday through Sunday in the urban areas of Hidalgo, Cameron, and Starr Counties has been averaging **15,153** passengers a week. Ridership for the rural system which operates in the rural areas of Cameron, Hidalgo, Willacy, Starr, and Zapata Counties has an average of **1,965** passengers per week for the month of March 2019.

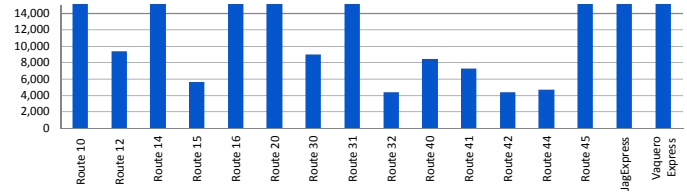


LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Valley Metro Service Summary
FY 2019 September - March

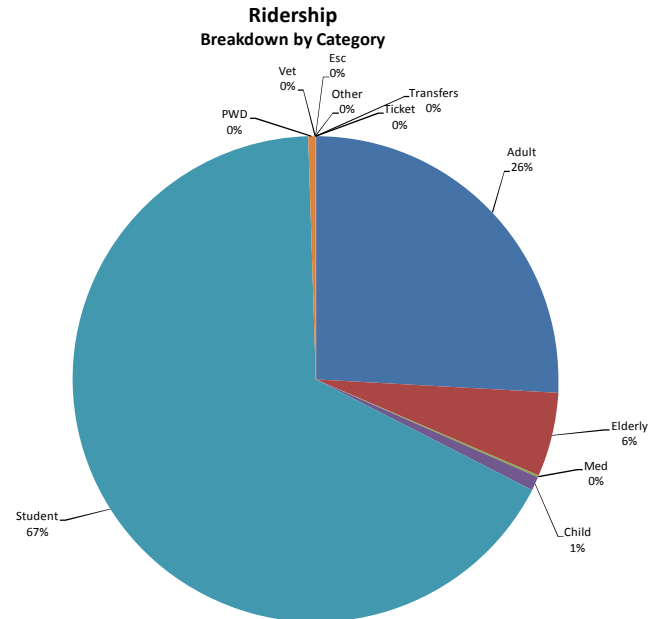
RURAL
Ridership by Route



URBAN
Ridership by Route



	Route	Total Passenger Trips	Route Activity	Area(s) Served
RURAL	Route 21	1,043	0%	Sullivan City, West Hidalgo County
	Route 43	756	0%	South Cameron County
	Route 50	33,539	6%	Brownsville, Port Isabel
	Route 60	5,333	1%	Roma, Rio Grande City
	Route 61	2,015	0%	Rio Grande City
	Route 62	2,714	1%	Rio Grande City
	Willacy (DR)	2,959	1%	Willacy County
	Starr (DR)	4,496	1%	Starr County
	Zapata (DR)	1,999	0%	Zapata County
URBAN	Metro Express	17,268	3%	Rio Grande Valley
	Route 10	19,836	4%	Edinburg
	Route 12	9,353	2%	Edcouch, Elsa, Edinburg
	Route 14	19,667	4%	Edinburg
	Route 15	5,591	1%	Edinburg
	Route 16	45,514	9%	Edinburg
	Route 20	21,505	4%	Mission
	Route 30	8,948	2%	Pharr, San Juan
	Route 31	44,794	9%	Hidalgo County
	Route 32	4,338	1%	Donna
	Route 40	8,456	2%	Harlingen
	Route 41	7,237	1%	Harlingen
	Route 42	4,406	1%	San Benito
	Route 44	4,697	1%	Primera, La Feria, Santa Rosa
	Route 45	31,169	6%	Cameron County
	JagExpress	51,822	11%	Weslaco, Pharr, McAllen
	Vaquero Express	161,974	31%	Edinburg
	Hidalgo	152	0%	City of Hidalgo
	TOTAL	521,581	100%	



FY 2018 September - March
440,491

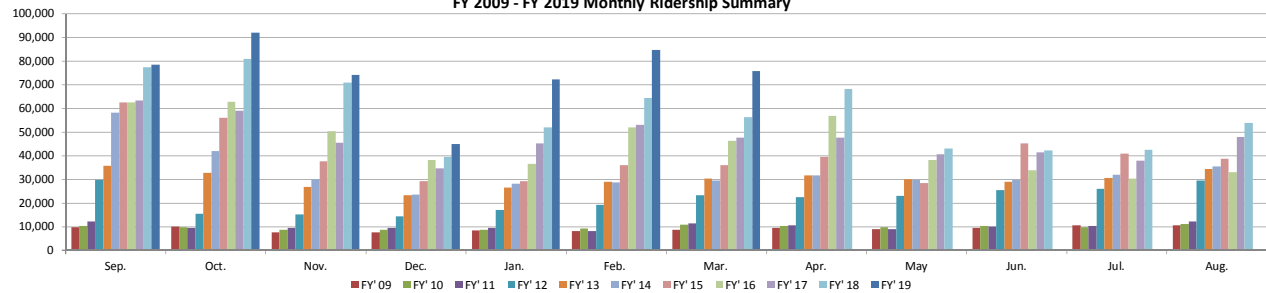
YEAR TO DATE RIDERSHIP REPORT
FY 2019 September - March
521,581

DIFFERENCE
81,090

% DIFFERENCE
18%

- * Rural service - service in rural low -population areas outside of urbanized areas
- * Urban service- service between or within urbanized areas

FY 2009 - FY 2019 Monthly Ridership Summary



Fiscal Year	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Total	Difference	%Change
FY' 08	9,978	4,927	4,378	4,077	9,057	9,065	8,832	9,195	9,624	9,031	8,706	9,568	96,438	45,095	88%
FY' 09	9,538	9,913	7,540	7,562	8,323	8,113	8,567	9,344	8,720	9,363	10,483	10,428	107,894	11,456	12%
FY' 10	10,274	9,702	8,580	8,471	8,670	9,204	10,836	10,274	9,566	10,107	9,537	10,931	116,152	8,258	8%
FY' 11	12,184	9,480	9,336	9,254	9,445	8,016	11,255	10,460	8,801	10,046	10,176	12,111	120,564	4,412	4%
FY' 12	29,644	15,256	14,982	14,267	17,057	19,196	23,184	22,450	22,827	25,436	25,807	29,518	259,624	139,060	115%
FY' 13	35,707	32,758	26,634	23,293	26,542	28,858	30,087	31,465	29,911	28,744	30,596	34,255	358,850	99,226	38%
FY' 14	58,118	41,893	30,069	23,338	28,011	28,593	29,386	31,638	29,761	29,806	31,733	35,241	397,587	38,737	11%
FY' 15	62,317	55,976	37,648	29,214	29,063	35,854	35,785	39,503	28,431	45,056	40,891	38,683	478,421	80,834	20%
FY' 16	62,348	62,627	50,274	38,130	36,305	51,887	46,286	56,675	37,990	33,822	30,148	32,939	539,431	61,010	13%
FY' 17	63,305	58,773	45,397	34,433	45,012	53,051	47,542	47,628	40,601	41,409	37,719	47,917	562,787	23,357	4%
FY' 18	77,255	80,744	70,823	39,507	51,877	64,209	56,076	68,058	42,956	42,169	42,264	53,725	689,663	126,876	23%
FY' 19	78,440	91,930	74,137	44,709	72,199	84,562	75,604						521,581	81,090	18%
Monthly Change from Previous FY	1,185	11,186	3,314	5,074	6,865	11,158	8,534								
% Change	2%	14%	5%	13%	13%	17%	18%								

FY 2016 URBANIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES

COST EFFECTIVENESS
Cost per revenue mile =
Cost per revenue hour =
Cost per passenger =

\$3.01 State Avg. = \$4.54
\$57.91 State Avg. = \$69.62
\$8.41 State Avg. = \$4.78

SERVICE EFFICIENCY

Passengers per revenue mile = 0.29 State Avg. = .95
Passengers per revenue hour = 5.85 State Avg. = 14.57

FY 2016 NONURBANIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES

COST EFFECTIVENESS
Cost per revenue mile =
Cost per revenue hour =
Cost per passenger =

\$3.95 State Avg. = \$3.19
\$71.08 State Avg. = \$60.90
\$19.24 State Avg. = \$16.89

SERVICE EFFICIENCY

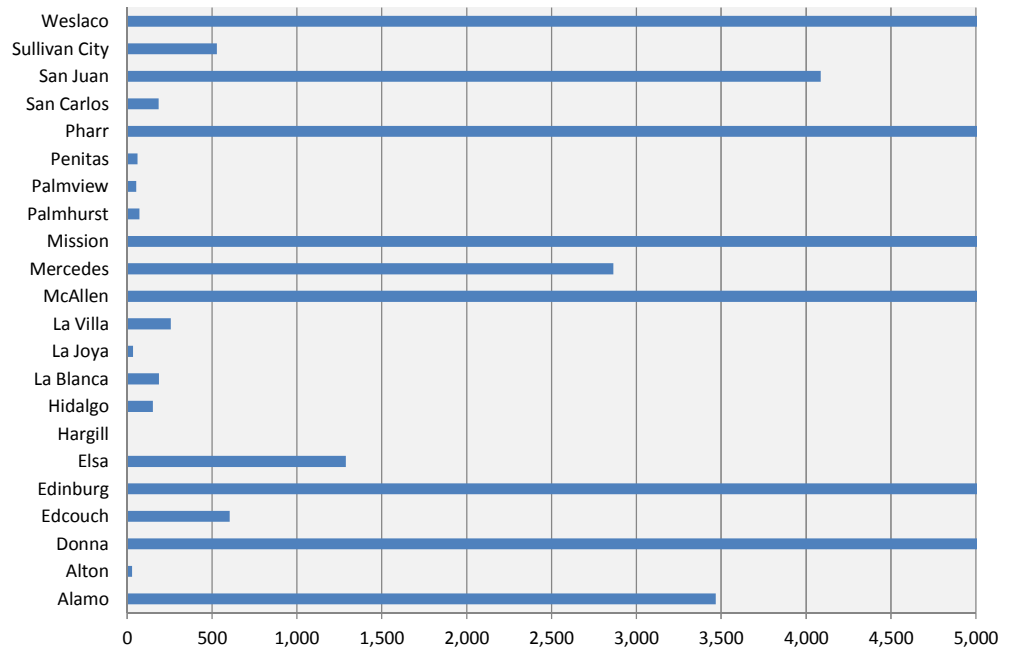
Passengers per revenue mile = 0.31 State Avg. = .19
Passengers per revenue hour = 5.44 State Avg. = 3.61

Distribution of Ridership

Hidalgo County

Alamo	3,467
Alton	29
Donna	8,187
Edcouch	603
Edinburg	246,676
Elsa	1,289
Hargill	0
Hidalgo	152
La Blanca	188
La Joya	35
La Villa	257
McAllen	87,799
Mercedes	2,864
Mission	11,430
Palmhurst	73
Palmview	53
Penitas	61
Pharr	14,830
San Carlos	185
San Juan	4,085
Sullivan City	528
Weslaco	12,316
Total	395,107

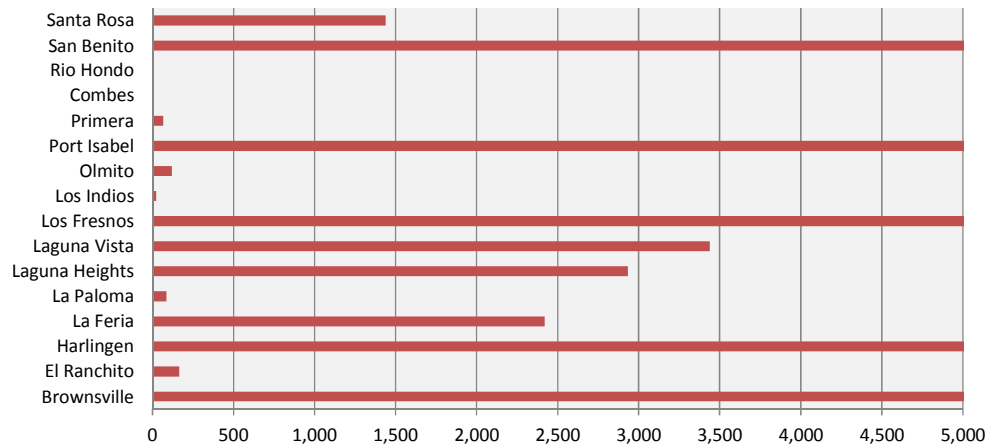
Hidalgo County by Cities



Cameron County

Brownsville	37,147
El Ranchito	166
Harlingen	32,057
La Feria	2,420
La Paloma	87
Laguna Heights	2,932
Laguna Vista	3,438
Los Fresnos	5,832
Los Indios	23
Olmito	119
Port Isabel	13,193
Primera	66
Combes	0
Rio Hondo	0
San Benito	8,040
Santa Rosa	1,438
Total	106,958

Cameron County by Cities



Willacy County

Total 2,959

Starr County

Total 14,558

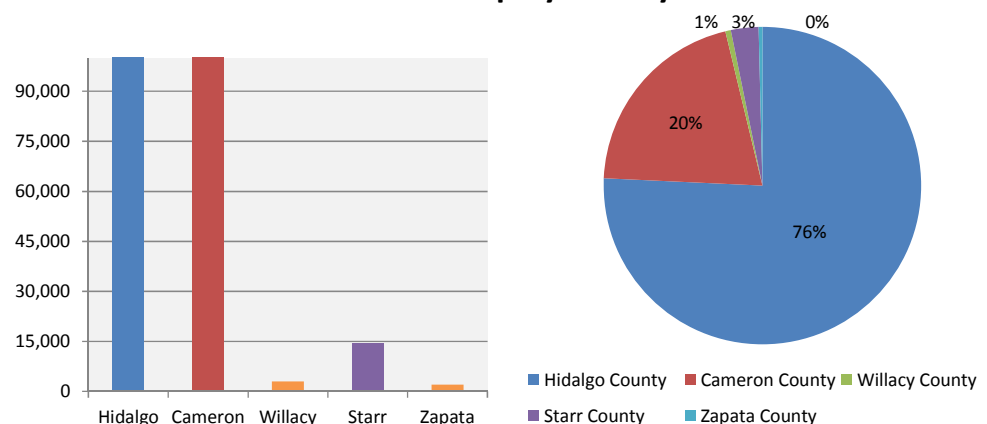
Zapata County

Total 1,999

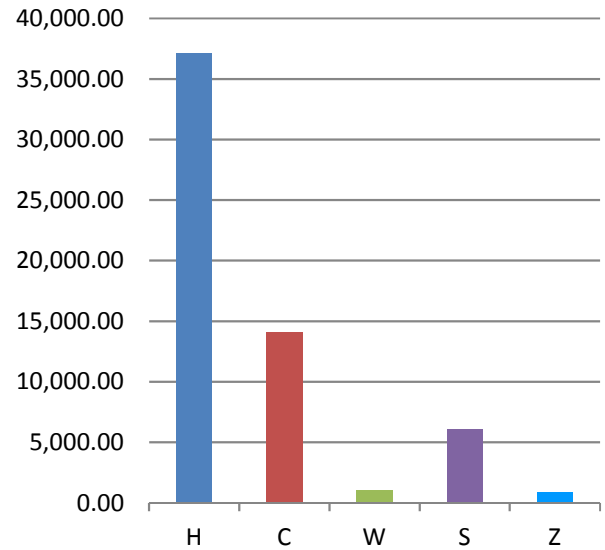
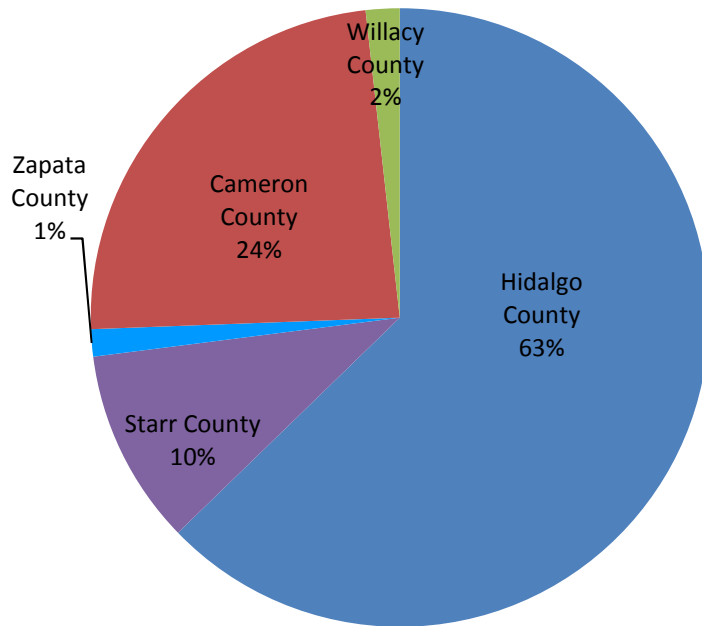
SYSTEM TOTAL

521,581

Ridership by County

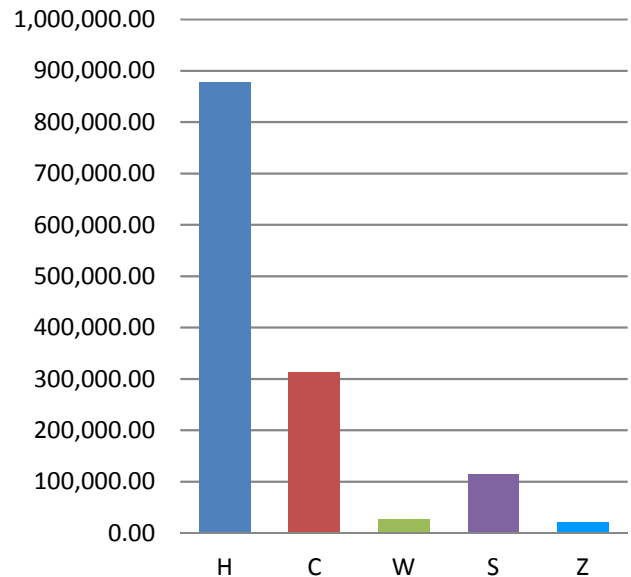
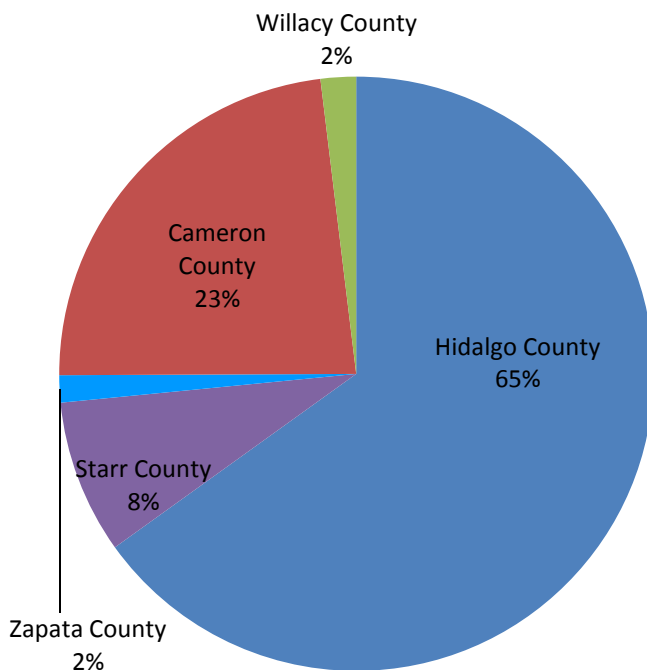


Distribution of Revenue Hours



Revenue Hours Provided	
Hidalgo County	37,071.39
Starr County	6,045.28
Zapata County	844.31
Cameron County	14,076.43
Willacy County	1,043.57
Total Revenue Hours	59,080.98

Distribution of Revenue Miles



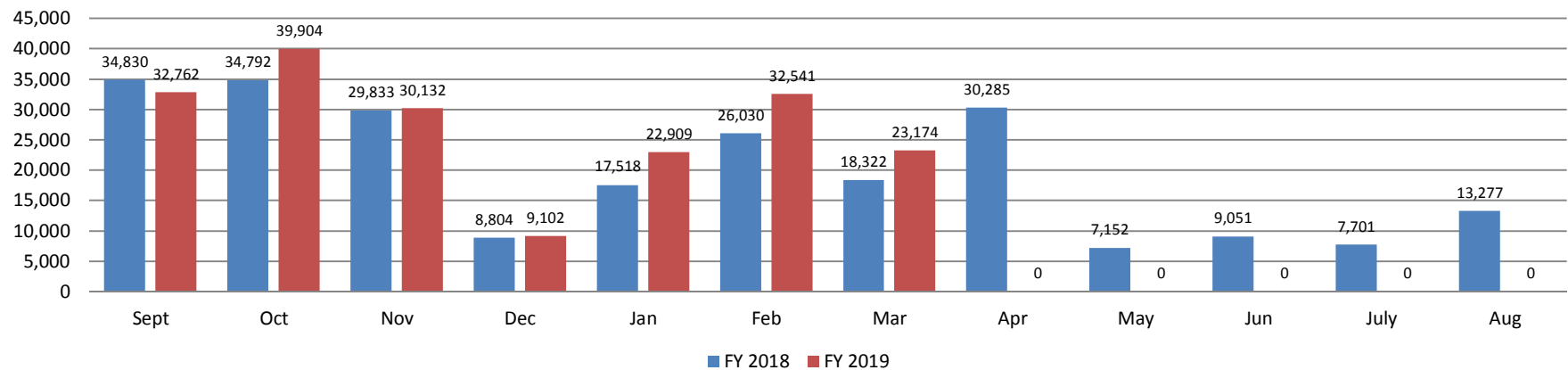
Revenue Miles Provided	
Hidalgo County	877,454
Starr County	112,989
Zapata County	19,913
Cameron County	311,996
Willacy County	26,027
Total Revenue Miles	1,348,379



**FY 2019 University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Valley Metro Routes
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	347	247	129	91	138	258	75						1,285
12	925	979	618	209	332	665	472						4,200
14	3,509	4,185	2,933	859	2,047	2,844	1,926						18,303
15	40	29	23	7	1	2	0						102
16	2	0	0	0	0	0	0						2
20	460	478	345	135	241	326	207						2,192
21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
30	15	13	6	10	6	15	7						72
31	55	32	14	3	11	31	8						154
32	0	0	0	0	2	0	0						2
40	0	0	2	0	0	0	1						3
41	0	0	0	0	2	1	0						3
42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
45	527	346	247	117	209	318	252						2,016
50	18	34	25	23	42	39	35						216
Vaquero Express	26,864	33,561	25,790	7,648	19,878	28,042	20,191	0	0	0	0	0	161,974
Total	32,762	39,904	30,132	9,102	22,909	32,541	23,174	0	0	0	0	0	190,524
FY 2018	34,830	34,792	29,833	8,804	17,518	26,030	18,322	30,285	7,152	9,051	7,701	13,277	237,595
Change Over Previous Month	-2,068	5,112	299	298	5,391	6,511	4,852						

2018 - 2019 Valley Metro Routes UTRGV Student Passenger Count





**South Texas College - FY 2019
Valley Metro Routes
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	20	62	0	0	0	1	1						84
12	105	218	254	143	261	110	99						1,190
14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0						1
15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
20	1	4	3	0	2	0	2						12
30	6	8	4	1	0	1	1						21
31	123	182	223	122	148	195	104						1,097
32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
41	1	1	5	0	14	12	1						34
42	3	0	1	0	0	3	0						7
44	0	3	1	0	3	9	0						16
45	0	1	0	0	0	1	6						8
60	833	886	694	284	348	727	535						4,307
61	56	85	101	51	81	89	52						515
62	28	78	99	48	49	90	53						445
DR-RGC	53	91	86	70	42	48	21						411
Purpleline	913	1,129	848	322	494	1,163	743						5,612
Greenline	2,913	3,436	2,632	1,075	1,189	2,366	1,740						15,351
Total	5,056	6,184	4,951	2,116	2,631	4,815	3,358	0	0	0	0	0	29,111
Non Valley Metro Routes													
Yellowline	3,247	4,582	2,918	1,152	1,219	2,669	3,369	0	0	0	0	0	19,156
Park & Ride	4,047	3,848	2,920	1,003	1,416	2,286	1,516	0	0	0	0	0	17,036
Total	7,294	8,430	5,838	2,155	2,635	4,955	4,885	0	0	0	0	0	36,192
Grand Total	12,350	14,614	10,789	4,271	5,266	9,770	8,243	0	0	0	0	0	65,303
Change Over Previous Month		2,264	-3,825	-6,518	995	4,504	-1,527						



**South Texas College - Mid Valley JagExpress
STC Student Passenger Counts Comparison
FY 2019**

Direct Service

Routes	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Route 12 Ecouch/Elsa-Edinburg	1,190	4,200	3,963	9,353
Route 31 Business 83	1,097	154	43,543	44,794
Purple Line	5,612		0	5,612
Yellow Line	19,156		0	19,156
Green Line	15,351		0	15,351
Park & Ride	17,036		0	17,036
Route 60 Greenline Roma	4,307		1,026	5,333
Route 61 RGC West	515		1,500	2,015
Route 62 RGC East	445		2,269	2,714
DR-RGC	411		4,085	4,496
Vaquero Express		161,974	0	161,974
Total	65,120	166,328	56,386	287,834

Connecting Service

Routes	Connection	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Route 10 Edinburg - McAllen	12, 31	84	1,285	18,467	19,836
Route 14 UTRGV VABL	12	1	18,303	1,363	19,667
Route 15 Edinburg	12	0	102	5,489	5,591
Route 20 Mission - McAllen	31	12	2,192	19,301	21,505
Route 30 Pharr San Juan - Edinburg	31	21	72	8,855	8,948
Route 32 Donna International Bridge	31	0	2	4,336	4,338
Route 40 Harlingen Medical	31	0	3	8,453	8,456
Route 41 Harlingen Retail	31	34	3	7,200	7,237
Route 42 San Benito Harlingen	31	7	0	4,399	4,406
Route 44 La Feria/Santa Rosa/Primera	31	16	0	4,681	4,697
Route 45 Cameron Career Connection	31	8	2,016	29,145	31,169
Total		183	23,978	111,689	135,850

Total Service

	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Grand Total	65,303	190,306	168,075	423,684



**2019 TSTC
Valley Metro Routes
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	0	93	38	2	8	2	2						145
12	1	11	4	0	2	0	10						28
14	0	0	0	0	1	3	0						4
31	0	16	6	0	1	8	4						35
40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
41	25	117	86	33	35	69	25						390
42	49	77	64	19	101	90	28						428
43	0	0	6	4	0	0	0						10
44	171	201	176	35	98	78	69						828
45	537	839	589	181	479	535	362						3522
50	0	3	9	0	0	0	0						12
Willacy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						0
Total	783	1357	978	274	725	785	500	0	0	0	0	0	5402

Change Over Previous Month	574	-379	-704	451	60	-285							-783
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