



# Overview

- **CDBG-Coronavirus Response Programs to date**
- **Funding available for Reallocation**
- **Proposed Programs**
- **Next steps**



# CDBG-CV Status

- **ReviveSMTX**– small business assistance up to \$5,000
  - 40 businesses served
  - \$142,972 spent;
  - \$5,000 hold for final payments
  - \$52,028 (26%) available to reallocate
- **CASA**– advocates for foster children
  - 22 children served
  - \$55,600 spent (100%) on hearings and advocate training



# **CDBG-CV Status, continued**

- **Hays County– COVID-19 testing**
  - Testing covered by other federal funding
  - \$105,530 (100%) available to reallocate
- **Rent, Mortgage, Utilities Relief Program**
  - 221 households served
  - \$567,825 CDBG-CV spent (100%) (plus \$174,399 CRF funding)



# CDBG-CV Status, continued

- **Administration**– staff cost, tracked by timesheets
  - \$26,596.51 spent over two years
  - \$6,650 held for remaining time
  - \$30,884.49 (48%) available to reallocate



# CDBG-CV Available to Reallocate

ReviveSMTX	\$52,028.36
Hays County COVID-19 Testing	\$105,530.00
Administration	\$30,884.49
<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$188,442.85</b>



# CDBG and CV Criteria

- Must benefit families with incomes less than 80% area median income OR serve an area that is primarily residential and low to moderate income per the Census
- Must address a high priority need from the Consolidated Plan: public services or facilities, economic development, affordable housing
- Must be used to prevent, prepare for, or respond to Coronavirus, which can include economic or health impacts
- Must be an eligible CDBG activity



# Two Programs Proposed

Must amend the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Action Plan to reallocate available funding

- Staff looked for existing programs serving San Marcos that met all criteria
- Staff contacted Candlelight Ranch about the Project HEAL program and the Parks Department about unfunded CIP projects



# Candlelight Ranch: Project HEAL

- Existing program for recovery from the effects of COVID-19, including stress and anxiety, and increased family bonding
- Proposes scholarships, including transportation costs, for San Marcos families who could not otherwise afford this program
- One or two days of outdoor activities
- Before and after surveys of effect
- Goal: 220 individuals who are underserved, at-risk, have experienced trauma, or have special needs







# Project HEAL Budget

<b>Salaries &amp; Contract Services</b>	<b>\$18,500</b>
<b>Insurance, Supplies</b>	<b>\$17,000</b>
<b>Transportation</b>	<b>\$11,726</b>
<b>Meals, Marketing, Evaluation</b>	<b>\$8,100</b>
<b>Overhead, Maintenance (allocated)</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$75,326</b>



- Former El Camino Real park
- Serving two neighborhoods
- 2 Concrete slabs, 5 canopies
- 8 picnic tables
- Skate feature 18' x 96'





# Park Budget

<b>2 Concrete Slabs 18'x26'</b>	<b>\$18,486</b>
<b>5 Shade Canopies (2 styles)</b>	<b>\$41,999</b>
<b>8 Picnic Tables</b>	<b>\$7,895</b>
<b>Skate Feature</b>	<b>\$72,732</b>
<b>Installation &amp; Freight</b>	<b>\$17,113</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$158,225</b>



# Possible Direction

Either:

- Bring forward an amendment to the 2019 CDBG Action Plan to allocate remaining funding to the proposed programs

Or:

- Choose other subrecipients

Or:

- Hold a competitive process for the remaining funding and select projects



# Staff Recommendation

Staff is seeking direction from City Council to bring forward an amendment to the 2019 CDBG Action Plan allocating CDBG-CV funding of \$75,000 to Project HEAL and the remaining \$113,442.85 to the Parks Department Kenneth M Copeland Park Improvements.