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City Awarded \$10 Million Dollar Grant from CDC Federal Grant Will Support Department of

Public Health Programs and Initiatives

El Paso, Texas— The City of El Paso is pleased to announce that the Department of Public Health has been awarded a \$10 million dollar grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to address various public health programs and initiatives.

The grant funding will be used to improve infrastructure, increase staffing, improve health outcomes, and reduce health disparities in the community.

"We are excited to receive this funding from the CDC as it will allow us to strengthen and improve existing public health resources and services provided to our community," said City-County Health Authority Dr. Hector Ocaranza. "We are committed to improving public health outcomes by positively influencing the lives of many individuals and reducing health disparities in our community."

The Department of Public Health is one of several government agencies to receive this 5-year grant. Over the next five years, the department will focus on three key objectives:

- Recruit, retrain, and support the workforce
- Strengthen public health capabilities in the community
- Accelerate prevention, preparedness, and response to emerging health threats

The funding received will preserve the department's commitment to the community by enabling the execution of public health programs and delivery of services in particular to individuals with the greatest needs affected by health disparities and negatively impacted by social determinants of health.

About CDC Funding:

The Centers for Disease and Control and Prevention (CDC) uses grants and cooperative agreements to fund research and non-research public health programs that advance the agency's public health mission domestically and abroad to keep Americans safe and healthy where they work, live and play.

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