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## **Press Release**

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

Seniors age 60 and older impacted by the COVID-19 stay in place order are eligible for the meals. To request a meal, contact Hill Country Community Action at 325-372-5167 x227 or toll free 1-866-372-5167 x 227 to begin the intake process.

To request meals in other Central Texas counties, contact the Area Agency on Aging serving your county:

- Brazos Valley Area Agency on Aging toll free 1-800-994-4000 or 979-595-2806 Ext. 5 Counties: Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, Robertson and Washington
- Capital Area Agency on Aging toll free 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 toll free 1-855-937-2372 or 254-292-1855 Counties: Bosque, Falls, Freestone, Hill, Limestone, and McLennan