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American Rescue Plan Project Submission-

Texas Health Resources (Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Cleburne)

Project Name: Texas Health Navigation Services

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Project Description:

The COVID pandemic and resulting economic shutdowns caused tremendous hardships for many, including residents of Johnson County, by limiting access to basic needs – like healthy food, preventative and routine health care, and transportation to needed resources. In Johnson County, residents and organizations identified many non-profits already working to address these issues, however there is a gap preventing a greater impact because the people in need may not know where/how to access services and most organizations have limited assets to invest in navigation services. Texas Health can address this gap by leveraging technology and implementing a network of navigation specialists to connect individuals who have been heavily affected by the pandemic to the resources in Johnson County. To champion the effort, Texas Health will connect individuals by establishing a two-way communication strategy between the hospital and nonprofit organizations serving the community. Texas Health will also bring resources including preventative cancer screenings and chronic disease management, capacity building for faith communities, and education to address and reduce violence against children and women. Through this comprehensive model, our goal is to improve the quality of life for individuals impacted by COVID as measured by the Health-Related Quality of Life (HRQOL) assessment tool. HRQOL measures an individual's perception of mental and physical health over time, including pain; depression; anxiety; sleeplessness; vitality; and the cause, duration, and severity of current activity limitations. If funded, Texas Health will implement this proposal to increase access to health care and reduce barriers preventing optimal health.

Project Location: Johnson County

Project Budget: \$2,400,000 (\$100,000 for remainder of 2022; \$575,000 per year for 2023 through 2026)

Project Timeframe: September 2022 through December 2026

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Hello Mr. Dryer and Judge Harmon,

In response to your opportunity to request funding from the American Rescue Plan Act, Texas Health respectfully submits the attached proposal.

A recent study found 29% of Americans still have trouble covering usual expenses, 17% are behind on rent and 14% do not have enough food to eat (Center of Budget and Policy Priorities, 2022). Across Johnson County many residents are experiencing the same difficulties. Our request will create a network of navigation specialists to connect individuals heavily affected by the pandemic to needed resources, as well as increase access to health care and reduce barriers to optimal health.

Please know that through a Texas Health Community Impact grant, we are in the process of working with several non-profits in Johnson County to increase their capacity, development and collaboration skills. As we invest in these non-profits, we believe our navigation services project will further enhance their success in helping neighbors in need who have been impacted by the pandemic.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. Marsha Ingle

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