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El Paso County Parks & Recreation Receives Grant from Texas Parks & Wildlife

EL PASO , TX - El Paso County is delighted to announce that the El Paso County Parks & Recreation Department has received a \$1.5 million grant from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD). The Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant was awarded to the County for its newly developed Horizon View Park project located in far east El Paso.

Horizon View Park's proposed developments include a playground with inclusive elements, playground surface, multi-sport courts, soccer fields and accessible outdoor fitness equipment. Additional developments include a hike-and-bike trail, pavilion, picnic shelters, a garden, site amenities with ADA components, lighting, native landscaping, parking, sidewalks, and interpretive signage. The new park is estimated at 4.7 acres, which is part of an approximate 14.3 acre land donation to the County from the Horizon Communities Improvement Association, Inc. (HCIA).

“This community has been waiting for decades for a park to be built at this location,” said County Commissioner Iliana Holguin. “I am incredibly thankful to HCIA for donating the land to the County so that we can finally make this park a reality for this community. This grant from TPWD will help the County create a beautiful outdoor space for this community, and I am incredibly proud of how our community partners came together to make this dream a reality.”

On January 26, 2023, TPWD unanimously voted to award a total of \$9.8 million of local grants to twenty government entities. El Paso County was the only entity in the West Texas region to be awarded the Urban Outdoor Recreation Grant.

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