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NEWS ADVISORY

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Katarina Park Walking Trail groundbreaking set for Wednesday

PENITAS – Residents in the western portion of Hidalgo County will soon have a new walking trail in Katarina Park to complement a healthy lifestyle, thanks to a grant administered by Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Services.

A groundbreaking for the new walking trail will be held at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 2 at Katarina Park, located off of Mile 7 Road and Queen Palm Drive in Peñitas.

The trail is made possible due to a Centers for Disease Control grant awarded to Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Services and Texas A&M Health Science Center. The Working on Wellness (WOW) grant will be used for projects to improve the health environment of communities by increasing access to healthy foods and physical activity.

The walking trail, which will be funded by \$30,000 from the grant, was promoted by a coalition of Peñitas residents, who determined the Precinct 3 county park would benefit from the creation of a walking trail. The WOW grant will go towards laying down crushed granite to provide a safe, smooth trail for Precinct 3 residents to enjoy. Precinct 3 Commissioner Joe M. Flores will provide labor and in-kind machinery to complete the project.

The project is expected to be completed by mid-December.

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Hidalgo County is home to one of the fastest growing regions in the nation. We provide health and justice to the 800,000 residents of our county as well as a variety of services to residents who live outside city limits. We strive to be accessible and responsive to our citizens by providing excellent public service through the values of leadership, transparency, fairness, collaboration, respect and fiscal responsibility.