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Court appoints Jaime Longoria as Community Service Agency Director

EDINBURG – Hidalgo County Commissioners Court appointed Jaime Longoria as the Director for the Community Service Agency.

"I would like to thank Commissioners Court for the confidence they have placed in me to serve as interim director and in appointing me as director," said Longoria. "I am humbled by their choice and I look forward to serve the residents of Hidalgo County."

Longoria is currently working on plans to change the CSA's delivery model to reduce the time it takes for residents to receive services. At this time, residents submit an application then experience a two to three month waiting period to be notified of eligibility.

"Residents will soon have the opportunity to submit the application and be seen immediately," said Longoria. "They will walk out the door that same day; knowing what services they will receive."

An Emergency Response Unit has also been created and is in its preliminary stages. The program will provide additional services to residents such as food, clothing and a place to stay in case of an emergency.

Longoria has more than 15 years experience in administration and in working with constituents and community projects at Texas A&M University and with the Texas Secretary of State.

He has worked for Hidalgo County since 2011.

"I have complete faith that he will do a great job providing service to those individuals who seek assistance," said Hidalgo County Judge Ramon Garcia.

Longoria was born and raised in Mission and graduated from the University of Texas-Pan American with a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and a minor in Economics. He is currently working on a Master's degree in Organizational Leadership at Our Lady of the Lake University.

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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.