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### **Hidalgo County District Clerk's Office Presents Check to the American Heart Association**

**Edinburg, Texas** – The Hidalgo County District Clerk's Office presented today a check totaling \$1,639.00 to the American Heart Association as part of their *Blues for Bucks* workplace fundraising campaign to benefit local charitable organizations. The program allows department staff to wear jeans every Friday in exchange for a \$5 donation.

"I am extremely proud of our staff for their support of the American Heart Association and their willingness to give back to their community. Their fundraising efforts are much needed and will help to raise awareness of the risk factors of heart disease in the Rio Grande Valley," said Hinojosa.

The District Clerk's Office kicked off their charitable efforts on February 1<sup>st</sup> as part of the American Heart Association's *Go Red for Women* campaign. The office has since then expanded their efforts through the creation of a "charitable organizations list" of which staff randomly selects a recipient every six months.

"We are thrilled with the effort of the employees in the District Clerk's office. The American Heart Association will be able to use these funds to educate people in Hidalgo County about their risks of heart disease – our number 1 killer in the Valley and the Nation. Our organization is able to continue our mission of helping people live healthier lives, free from cardiovascular disease and stroke thanks in part to the help of volunteers like these," said Rebecca Taylor, American Heart Association Senior Corporate Market Director.

For more information on volunteer opportunities or making a contribution to the American Heart Association log on to [www.americanheart.org](http://www.americanheart.org) or contact Rebecca Taylor at the Pharr office at (956) 984-0201.

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