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## TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES AWARDS JIM HOGG COUNTY UTILIZATION OF GIFT CARD INCENTIVE FOR CITIZENS TO GET VACCINATED

Hebbronville, Texas (December 3, 2021): Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) has awarded Jim Hogg County (JHC) gift card incentives for its citizens to get vaccinated to help reduce exposure and contraction of COVID-19. Jim Hogg County will be providing \$50 gift cards for the first dose of COVID-19 vaccination and an additional \$50 for the second dose for children (over 5 years of age) and adults while funds are available. Individuals who have already received vaccination(s) are not eligible, this incentive is specifically for unvaccinated individuals.

"The goal of this DSHS Jim Hogg County Gift Card Incentive Program is to motivate individuals that have not taken the COVID-19 vaccine. Jim Hogg County will continue to administer vaccinations to protect our citizens from exposure to COVID-19", said JHC Judge Juan Carlos Guerra. "Also, the Omicron Variant is now in 15 states in the United States and may pose a risk to Jim Hogg County citizens, we need to be ready. We must strive to fully vaccinate and protect every Jim Hogg County citizen." These gift cards are available through a competitive grant that Jim Hogg County applied for and was awarded.

The Texas Immunizations and Vaccines for Children program is supported by the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). For more information, please contact the Jim Hogg County Judge Office at 361-527-3015 or visit <a href="https://www.cdc.gov">https://www.cdc.gov</a>.

