WestStar and FHLB Dallas award $63K
to nonprofit organizations across El Paso and Las Cruces

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September 2, 2026 (El Paso, Texas) — WestStar and the Federal Home Loan Bank of Dallas (FHLB Dallas) have awarded $63,000 in grant funding to five nonprofit organizations serving El Paso, Texas, and Las Cruces, New Mexico, through FHLB Dallas' Partnership Grant Program (PGP).

The Partnership Grant Program is designed to amplify the impact of charitable giving by providing a 5-to-1 match for eligible nonprofit contributions made by FHLB Dallas member institutions. WestStar was the only participating financial institution in El Paso and Las Cruces, helping bring additional funding directly into the communities it serves.

This year's grant recipients include:

El Paso
• Habitat for Humanity El Paso: $30,000
• Improving Quality of Life: $6,000
• Pioneers 21: $6,000
• Tech Frontier, doing business as Fab Lab El Paso: $6,000

Las Cruces
• United Way of Southwest New Mexico: $15,000

"The PGP is designed to multiply the impact of our members' support, helping nonprofits achieve lasting results," said Greg Hettrick, senior vice president and director of Community Investment at FHLB Dallas. "Together with our members, we are building stronger communities and deepening our commitment to local partnerships."

The grants provide additional resources to nonprofit organizations serving El Paso and Las Cruces and support their ongoing work to strengthen local communities.

"Strong communities are built by organizations that understand local needs and transform resources into meaningful action," said Mara Portillo, senior vice president, compliance and Community Reinvestment Act officer at WestStar. "Through our partnership with FHLB Dallas, we can help expand the reach of these organizations and support the valuable work they are doing for families and communities across El Paso and Las Cruces."

The Partnership Grant Program reflects a shared commitment by WestStar and FHLB Dallas to strengthen local nonprofits and expand opportunities in the communities they serve.

About WestStar
WestStar is the only El Paso-based community bank and the leading commercial bank in the Borderplex region, which includes El Paso, Texas; Las Cruces, New Mexico; and Juárez, Mexico. With more than $3 billion in assets, 14 branches and more than 350 team members, WestStar provides commercial lending, treasury management, wealth management and title services across the region.

WestStar's roots trace back more than a century. First National Bank of Fabens, founded in 1920, later acquired Bank of Ysleta and Bank of El Paso. Bank of the West, founded in 1990, was rebranded as WestStar Bank in 2012. In 2016, First National Bank and WestStar Bank merged to form the institution known today as WestStar. The bank continues that shared legacy of relationship-based banking and commitment to the communities it serves.

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