



**United Way Galveston
County Mainland**



Memorandum of Understanding

Between

United Way Galveston County Mainland

and

City of La Marque

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) sets the terms and mutual understanding between United Way Galveston County Mainland, (“UWGCM”) and the City of La Marque, in accordance with the terms set forth below.

I. Background

United Way Galveston County Mainland (UWGCM) and the City of La Marque have a common interest in supporting the basic needs and wellness of La Marque residents in Galveston County and surrounding areas. Through collaboration and partnership, UWGCM and the City of La Marque are better able to leverage resources to support the development of sustainable systems to meet the increasing demands for services by La Marque’s residents.

II. Purpose

This MOU is intended to formalize the City of La Marque and UWGCM’S commitment to establish a program for the benefit of La Marque residents, employees and community at large. The City of La Marque will help establish a framework for collaboration between employees of the City of La Marque and United Way Galveston County Mainland to support UWGCM’s efforts of providing resources and referrals to the residents of the City of La Marque. The purpose of this MOU is to further the commitments set forth below and to outline understandings and intentions with regard to these shared commitments.

United Way Galveston County Mainland’s Commitments

1. Campaign Support:

- UWGCM will conduct a comprehensive fundraising campaign in the City of La Marque, aiming to raise funds to support local community initiatives.
- UWGCM will provide the City of La Marque with regular updates on the progress of the campaign, including fundraising goals, milestones, and outcomes.

2. Resource Referrals:

- UWGCM will provide referrals with a dedicated helpline (2-1-1) to residents of La Marque to access resources and services outside normal UWGCM office hours.
- UWGCM will provide trained staff and volunteers to handle inquiries, provide information, and connect individuals to appropriate resources based on their unique needs.

3. Collaborative Initiatives:

- UWGCM will collaborate with the City of La Marque to identify areas of need within the community and develop joint initiatives to address those needs effectively.
- UWGCM will actively engage with the City of La Marque's relevant departments and agencies to leverage existing resources and develop new programs that benefit the residents of La Marque.

City of La Marque's Commitments:

1. Campaign Support:

- The City of La Marque will actively promote and support UWGCM's fundraising campaign within its jurisdiction.
- The City of La Marque will assist UWGCM in organizing local events and activities related to the campaign, including providing suitable venues and necessary permits.

2. Community Engagement:

- The City of La Marque will collaborate with UWGCM in organizing community outreach programs to increase awareness of available resources and services.
- The City of La Marque will encourage its employees, officials, and residents to participate in volunteer activities organized by UWGCM.

3. Information Sharing:

- The City of La Marque will provide UWGCM with relevant data and information to assist in identifying priority areas and understanding the unique needs of the community.
- The City of La Marque will facilitate the exchange of information between UWGCM and relevant local organizations or agencies within its jurisdiction to enhance coordination and resource allocation.

III. Reporting

The Parties will collaborate in the development of processes and procedures for appropriate communication including development of referral forms and other such documents as the Parties agree.

The Parties will respect each other's confidentiality policies, with the mutual understanding that the Parties may publicize their alliance and its objectives without disclosing any confidential or proprietary information of the other Party.

No provision of this MOU is intended to create, nor shall any provision be deemed or construed to create a relationship between the parties other than that specified in this MOU.

IV. Funding

The Parties enter into this MOU while wishing to maintain their separate and unique missions and mandates, and their own accountabilities. Unless specifically provided otherwise, the cooperation between the Parties as outlined in this MOU shall not be construed as a partnership or other type of legal entity or personality. Each Party shall accept full and sole responsibility for any and all expenses incurred, as per activities described in this MOU. Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as superseding or interfering in any way with any agreement or contracts entered into between the Parties, either prior to or subsequent to the signing of this MOU. Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as an exclusive working relationship. The Parties specifically acknowledge that this MOU is not an obligation of funds, nor does it constitute a legally binding commitment by any Party or create any rights in any third party.

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V. Contact Information

VI. Duration and Termination

This MOU shall come into effect on the date of the last signature of all the Parties and is expected to continue until terminated by either Party, which endeavor to provide at least 30 days' written notice to the other Party.

VII. Governing Law and Dispute Resolution

This MOU shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. Any disputes arising out of or in connection with this MOU shall be resolved through good-faith negotiations between the parties.

VIII. Entire Agreement

This MOU constitutes the entire agreement between UWGCM and the City of La Marque and supersedes any prior understanding or agreement, whether written or oral, relating to the subject matter herein.

By signing below, the authorized representatives of UWGCM and the City of La Marque indicate their acceptance and agreement to the terms outlined in this Memorandum of Understanding.

United Way Galveston

County Mainland

By: _____

Name: Leslie Ornelas

Title: Executive Director

Date:

City of La Marque

By: _____

Name: Cesar Garcia

Title: City Manager

Date: