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Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels Celebrates 17th Annual March for Meals
Community Leaders join FBS to deliver meals to seniors in annual event

ROSENBERG, Texas (March 13, 2019) – Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels (FBS) is participating in the 17th annual March for Meals – a month-long, nationwide campaign with Meal on Wheels programs celebrating the passage in 1965 of the Older Americans Act. On Thursday, March 21, 2019, local community leaders will partner with Fort Bend Seniors to participate in Community Champions Day, delivering meals to homebound seniors in our area.

“The services we provide are a lifeline to seniors in Fort Bend and Waller counties, and the need is rapidly increasing,” said Manuela Arroyos, Chief Executive Officer of FBS. “We are excited to have community leaders join us in achieving our mission of helping seniors continue to live independently.”

Some of the local community leaders that will be participating in this year’s Community Champions Day include: Fort Bend County Judge KP George, Fort Bend County Commissioner Ken DeMerchant (Pct. 4), Fort Bend County Commissioner Vincent Morales (Pct. 1), Fort Bend County District Clerk Beverley Walker, Rosenberg Chief of Police Jonathan White, and Stafford Assistant Chief of Police Glynell Horn Jr. Additional community champions including FBS Board Members and county staff will also be in attendance, meeting at the FBS Distribution Office in Rosenberg (1330 Band Rd) at 8:30am to learn more about the programs before heading out to deliver meals.

March for Meals, held annually, is initiated and sponsored by Meal on Wheels America to raise awareness of the struggles faced by our senior neighbors and to encourage action on the part of local communities. Senior Nutrition Programs across the United States, like Fort Bend Seniors, promote March for Meals through public events, partnerships with local businesses, volunteer recruitment and fundraising initiatives.

“The month of March is a fitting time to not only celebrate the successful history of Meals on Wheels, but also bring us together to support a solution that will strengthen communities into the future,” said Ellie Hollander, President and CEO of Meals on Wheels America. “With 12,000 Americans turning 60 each day, now is the time to invest in these vital programs so that we can provide every senior in need with the nutritious meals, friendly visits and safety checks that will enable them to live healthier and independent in their own homes.”

Individuals or groups that are interested in supporting Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels by volunteering or donating funds can visit www.fortbendseniors.org or contact FBS at 281-633-7049.

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About Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels

Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels, a United Way Agency, is committed to helping seniors remain independent by enhancing their quality of life through services and resources. FBS provides hot, home-delivered meals to more than 1,500 senior citizens daily, many who live alone and cannot prepare their own meals. In addition, FBS offers older adults meals from 12 congregate sites – or community centers, transportation to and from the centers, health screenings and recreational activities.

Fort Bend Seniors is qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code as a non-profit corporation, and as such contributions are tax deductible to the fullest extent as allowed by law. For more information about Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels, visit www.fortbendseniors.org.