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**Short, Temporary Closing of Westside Community Center for Improvements**

**New Braunfels, TX** – The Westside Community Center (WCC) and Westside Branch of the New Braunfels Public Library will be closed to the public from Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> through Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup> to allow for replacement of the gymnasium floor. The library will reopen on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> for regular hours, but the WCC gym will remain closed to the public for another two weeks and reopen on Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The main library and bookmobile will follow their normal hours during this time.

The May 5<sup>th</sup> Mobile Food Pantry has been cancelled for that first Friday in May. Regular food pantry clients have received notice of this cancellation. The May 19<sup>th</sup> Mobile Food Pantry will be held, and vouchers will be available at the main library for distribution starting April 26<sup>th</sup>. Other options for those in need of food/snack distributions are available on May 10<sup>th</sup>, at Bavarian Manor Apartments from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and on May 12<sup>th</sup>, at Village Circle Apartments from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

“We are so grateful to be able to replace the gym floor at the Westside Community Center through the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds,” says Outreach Coordinator, Jennifer Hernandez. “Over the years, roof leaks and steady usage have made sections of the gym floor warp and are therefore unusable. Anyone playing basketball has to watch out for the orange cones blocking off the worst sections. More than 700 people attend programs in the gym each month, and we are happy they will get to enjoy a new, completely functional floor for basketball, volleyball and pickleball as well as our exercise programs.”

“If construction progresses more quickly than anticipated, the gym may reopen ahead of schedule, and participants will be notified via news outlets and social media,” Hernandez noted.

For questions or more information about the closures, contact the WCC at 830-221-4630. The center is located at 2932 South IH-35 in New Braunfels.

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