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UVALDE CISD MOVING FORWARD FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHAT: Construction of the new elementary school in Uvalde CISD will officially break ground during a ceremony on Saturday, Oct. 28 at the site of the new school. The student-led event is open to the Uvalde community and will include remarks from the Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation and Uvalde CISD officials as well as Uvalde CISD student performances.

To date, the Foundation has raised 75 percent of the funds needed to build the new school. Donations are still needed; people interested in donating can still do so at the Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation website: <https://uvaldecisdmovingforward.org/donate-now/>.

“While we are still needing donations to complete the school, we needed to start the construction of the school this fall so that it can be ready for the 25-26 school year,” said Tim Miller, Executive Director of the Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation.

WHEN

Saturday, Oct. 28

9 a.m. (Media interviews)

10 a.m. (General event begins)

WHERE:

Site of new elementary school - at Fourth Street and Leona, adjacent to Dalton Elementary School

Media must register via email to attend. Email tbenavides@uvaldecisdmovingforward.org.

WHO: The following individuals will be available for interviews prior to the event:

- Executive Director of the Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation, Tim Miller
- Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation Board Secretary and Former State Senator Beverly Powell
- Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation Board Treasurer and Uvalde High School graduate, Mickey Gerdes
- Uvalde CISD Community Advisory Committee Co-Chair, Judge Lalo Diaz
- Uvalde CISD Community Advisory Committee Co-Chair, Natalie Diaz

Interviews will be available in both English and Spanish.

WHY: The Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation was created in the wake of the tragedy at Robb Elementary School through gifts from grocery chain, H-E-B, and the Butt family totaling \$10 million. Huckabee Inc. and Joeris Construction both donated their services, becoming founding partners. Beginning in the fall of 2022, the Foundation began working with the Uvalde CISD Community Advisory Committee to develop the plans for the new elementary school. Those plans were approved by the Uvalde CISD Board of Trustees in April 2023.

VISUALS:

[Animated fly-through plans for the new school](#)

[Renderings of the new school](#)

Note: The Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation is a separate entity from the Uvalde Consolidated Independent School District.

About the Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation

The Uvalde CISD Moving Forward Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable foundation serving the Uvalde Consolidated Independent School District community. The nonprofit was created in the wake of the tragedy at Robb Elementary School, which took 21 innocent lives on May 24, 2022. Funding collected through the foundation will support the construction of a new elementary school campus in the Uvalde CISD, ensuring students and staff will not have to return to the site of the tragedy, and ultimately supporting the District's ongoing needs as it moves forward. For more information about the foundation, including opportunities for making a donation, please visit www.uvaldecisdmovingforward.org.