

Vendor# 15537

GL# 01104730-550300

**LUBBOCK COUNTY  
TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION & ADVANCE REQUEST**

THE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SECURING ALL SIGNATURES PRIOR TO TRAVEL. AN APPROVED TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE ACCORDING TO THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PAYMENT SCHEDULE TO RECEIVE A TRAVEL ADVANCE. RELATED BROCHURES OR OTHER SUPPORTING DATA MUST BE ATTACHED.

NAME: Solis-Perez Federico DATE: 1/31/2023  
Last First

DESTINATION: Leesburg, VA

PURPOSE: Attend "Reaching Rural Meeting"

DATE(S): February 21-24, 2023

Travel advance requested and required by the 1 day of February, 2023.

_____	Registration Fee	=	\$	_____	0.00
_____	# of Breakfasts @ \$10.00	per meal	=	\$	_____
<u>2</u>	# of Lunches @ \$15.00	per meal	=	\$	_____
<u>2</u>	# of Dinners @ \$21.00	per meal	=	\$	_____
_____	# of Days lodging @ \$_____	per night	=	\$	_____
<b>Total Advance</b>				=	\$ <b>_____</b>
					<b>72.00</b>

Fund #: 011 Line Item: 550300

I hereby request authorization to travel outside Lubbock County on official business as detailed above. I have read the Lubbock County Travel Policy and will follow that policy for travel and in making requests for advancement and reimbursement of expenses. I understand that I must submit a travel report within ten days of returning from this travel or the full advance will be deducted from my next paycheck.

Federico Solis-Perez 1-31-23  
EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE DATE

I hereby certify the above requested travel for official Lubbock County business is directly related to this department's operations. There are sufficient unexpended funds in the current budget line item to cover all reimbursable expenses incurred. Related brochures or other supporting data are attached and 8 meals are included in the registration fee being requested and will not be reimbursed. Please issue travel expense advance if requested.

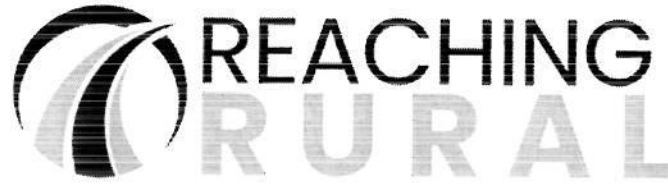
[Signature] 1-31-23  
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR DATE

**APPROVAL FROM TWO (2) MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE DATE

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SIGNATURE DATE

NOTE: TRAVEL IS NOT APPROVED WITHOUT ALL SIGNATURES. TRAVEL MAY NOT BE REIMBURSED WITHOUT PROPER AUTHORIZATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION.



### Calendar

The following activities are scheduled for Reaching Rural Fellows in addition to monthly coaching calls.

DATE	TIME (EST)	PURPOSE	REQUIRED/OPTIONAL
February 22, 2023	8:30 AM - 5 PM	In-Person Learning	Required
February 23, 2023	8:30 AM - 5 PM	In-Person Learning	Required
February 24, 2023	8:30 AM - 12 PM	In-Person Learning	Required
March 3, 2023	1:30 - 2:30 PM	Public Relations Webinar	Optional
March 28, 2023	3 - 4:30 PM	Virtual Site Visit	Required (will be recorded for viewing on your schedule)
April 14, 2023	1:30 - 2:30 PM	Public Relations Webinar	Optional
April 27, 2023	3 - 4:30 PM	Virtual Site Visit	Required (will be recorded for viewing on your schedule)
You will attend one of the following: May 8 - 10, 2023 May 10 - 12, 2023 June 12 - 14, 2023 June 14 - 16, 2023	1 day of travel and 2 days on site	In-Person Site Visit	Required
December 6, 2023	8:30 AM - 5 PM	In-Person Learning and Closure	Required
December 7, 2023	8:30 AM - 5 PM	In-Person Learning and Closure	Required
December 8, 2023	8:30 AM - 12 PM	In-Person Learning and Closure	Required

We are planning additional, optional, virtual meetings and webinars with resources based on feedback we receive from you.



## Local criminal justice, behavioral health and public health organizations selected to participate in national initiative to help rural communities find substance use and misuse solutions

**Media Contact:** Local contact first and last name, title, phone, email

City, State, (Month Day, 2022) — The U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) announced that a group of local criminal justice, behavioral health and public health organizations were chosen to be part of a select group of fellows in a new rural leadership program. It's called *Reaching Rural: Advancing Collaborative Solutions*. Program fellows will learn how to adopt bold solutions to the persistent challenge of substance use in rural communities. They'll work closely with innovators who have established successful programs in other rural communities.

The local team that serves the Panhandle and South Plains of West Texas includes Meagan Miller, the Behavioral Health Manager for the City of Lubbock Public Health Department; Hockley County Sheriff Ray Scrifes; Rusty Gunter, Chief Defender, Lubbock Private Defenders Office; Debra King, the Facility Director for Cenikor in Amarillo, Officer Ethan Noble, Lubbock Police Department; and Federico Solis-Perez, Re-entry Coordinator, Lubbock County Detention Center. The participants were selected through a competitive process. "This collaborative will provide us with the opportunity to work together and build a long-term plan for collaboration, to bring more resources and support to the Panhandle and South Plains. We are excited to get to learn from others facing similar issues as us from other rural areas across the nation," said Meagan Miller, Behavioral Health Manager, City of Lubbock Public Health Department.

The year-long program, which kicked off in December, will have a strong focus on creating engagement across rural communities and sectors. Over the course of the year, participants will benefit from virtual and in-person learning opportunities which include coaching, skill-building workshops, and local and regional asset mapping. The program will demonstrate how diverse systems with different missions can engage with one another to serve justice-involved individuals more effectively with substance use or co-occurring disorders.

### About The Reaching Rural Initiative

*The Reaching Rural: Advancing Collaborative Solutions* initiative is a collaborative project providing training to a class of over 65 fellows working to adopt bold solutions to the persistent challenge of substance use and misuse in 81 rural communities across 15 states. The fellows include elected county leaders, county and tribal judges, law enforcement officers, prosecutors, public defenders, public health and behavioral health practitioners, emergency management professionals, reentry coordinators, and individuals working in community nonprofits.

The U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the State Justice Institute (SJI), with support from the Institute for Intergovernmental Research co-sponsor the project. The National Association of Counties (NACo) is a key partner. To learn more, visit <https://rural.cossapresources.org/reachingrural>.

To learn more about local behavioral health resources visit [mylubbock.us/behavioralhealth](http://mylubbock.us/behavioralhealth).