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To: The City of Glen Rose, Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tem, Glen Rose Council Members,
and The City of Glen Rose Secretary

Thank you for your consideration to partner with us on our mission to feed and sustain our seniors. I hope my presentation on June 24, 2025, was enlightening to what we do and the importance of our program. We cannot do what we do without outside support. We appreciate that support that City has given us in the past. We would like to see a shared commitment from the city in our future as well. It is vital to our mission to have the support and financial assistance of the City of Glen Rose.

We are humbly asking the city of Glen Rose, Texas to financially partner with us in in FY 25/26 and for many years to come. We are projected to fall short in terms of our expenses, by an estimated \$38000, for FY 24/25. We are unsure of what that will look like for 25/26 due to the uncertainty of what we will be reimbursed from North Central Texas Council of Government. We know the funds are expected to be cut anywhere from 5%-15% for FY 25/26. This information was given to us by our NCTCOG area representative. I will not have my approved FY 25/26 budget until Mid-July

Somervell County Committee on Aging will be applying for programming grants in FY26. Several of these grants require that the community contribute to the program. Some of these Grants are through the Texas Department of Agriculture, North Central Texas Council of Governments, Texas Congregate Meal Initiative

(TCMI), VA Food Assistance Program and Permian Basin Area Foundation. With our COG funding being cut it is imperative we find other sources of funding to make sure our seniors are not left hungry or alone.

These funds will help cover our cost that we do not receive any reimbursement on a federal or county level. Such as some of our utilities, property/auto insurance, food cost, and fuel.

I have attached our projected 2026 Budget. Please keep in mind that we will not know what the NCTCOG will be reimbursing until August 2025. I have used last year's \$amount on that line but like I said, that dollar amount is expected to be much less than in prior years, even though our client roster is growing.

We do ask that the council keep in mind that we serve an estimated 110 clients that reside in the city limits as well as providing transportation for local shopping that is in the city limits as well.

Sincerely,

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