



June 23, 2025

Lilia Lopez
United Way of South Texas
113 W. Pecan Blvd.
McAllen, TX 78501

Dear Mrs. Lopez:

Speer Memorial Library is excited to assist United Way of South Texas in continuing the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program in Hidalgo and Starr Counties. The following support for the 2026 tax season (January 2026 – April 2026) will be provided.

- 1. Volunteer services – Approximately 255.79 volunteer hours a total of \$7,418. The number of volunteer hours is based on last year's volunteer contribution. The total dollar value is calculated using a \$29 hourly rate per the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the mean hour wage of a Tax Preparer in Texas as of May 2024.*
- 2. Space and equipment – The sponsored space of 660 square feet will be provided to offer tax preparation services. The space will include internet access, computers, and printers. Based on the average price per square footage (\$1.74) and 38 site operation days, the total in-kind contribution for space will be \$5,455.*

Our total in-kind commitment for the 2026 tax season is \$12,873. We look forward to supporting United Way of South Texas in another successful VITA season. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (956)-580-8750.

Sincerely,

Mike R. Perez
City Manager