

## WestStar Continues Commitment to Community Enhancement Through Special Needs Assistance Program

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**February 4, 2025 (El Paso, TX)** — WestStar is proud to announce its ongoing involvement in the Special Needs Assistance Program (SNAP), a grant initiative administered by the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) of Dallas aimed at supporting residential rehabilitation projects.

As of 2024, WestStar is the only local financial institution participating in this essential program. Last year, the bank successfully submitted six rehabilitation project requests totaling over \$45,000.00 in repairs for homeowners in the Borderplex region.

One participant, who recently had her roof repaired, expressed her appreciation: "Thank you for everything. If it wasn't for this program, I don't know how we would have been able to stay here."

Another homeowner echoed these sentiments, stating, "I would like to thank you for helping me with the projects, including the roof, vents, and bathroom improvements. Your assistance has truly made a difference, and I couldn't have accomplished this without your support."

Looking ahead to 2025, WestStar will continue to support community rehabilitation initiatives through SNAP by facilitating additional funding requests. "We are committed to enhancing our community through initiatives like SNAP, which not only support the rehabilitation of homes but also strengthen the bonds of community ownership and pride," said Joe Moody, SNAP Coordinator at WestStar.

For information regarding SNAP eligibility, please contact WestStar.

## **About WestStar**

WestStar is a locally owned community bank with more than \$3 billion in assets. It services the El Paso, Las Cruces, and northern Mexico area (collectively known as the Borderplex region). WestStar provides businesses and retail consumers local access to a broad array of financial services, including banking, treasury management, wealth management and title services. Additionally, WestStar team members serve on over 60 boards and committees of non-profit and civic organizations and participate in a wide range of community betterment efforts and philanthropic causes. For more information, visit the WestStar website at weststarbank.com.

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