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**CAMERON COUNTY SPACEPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
AWARDED \$5,000,000 BY THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM**

Cameron County is pleased to announce that the Governor's Office of Economic Development & Tourism has awarded a conditional offer of \$5,000,000 to the Spaceport Development Corporation of Cameron County. Awarded funding was made possible through the Spaceport Trust Fund, the 87th Legislature appropriated funds in fiscal year 2022, to support eligible organizations with the development of infrastructure necessary for establishing a spaceport in the State of Texas.

"This award will continue to strengthen the economic impact and growing space industry blueprint already being made in Cameron County. Over the past several years, the space industry in Cameron County has diversified and is now home to a quality workforce where the development, manufacture, and research of space exploration is happening. The creation of jobs and opportunities locally has directly impacted the economic development and growth of Cameron County," stated Cameron County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr. "I thank Governor Abbott for the awarded funding and support to the Cameron County Spaceport Development Corporation."

"For decades, Texas has been a trailblazer in space technology and we are proud to help cultivate more innovation and development in this growing industry in Cameron County," said Governor Abbott. "This investment in the Cameron County Spaceport Development Corporation will create even more economic opportunities for Texans in the Rio Grande Valley and continue the Lone Star State's legacy as a leader in space technology."

"I want to thank Governor Abbott for his continuous support for the Cameron County Spaceport Development Corporation's ongoing mission to build the aerospace industry in our County. Funding through the Governor's Economic Development & Tourism's Spaceport Trust Fund is helping us provide the infrastructure that will help advance the efforts for future launches from South Texas. I also am very thankful to our local Rio Grande Valley Legislation delegation in both the Senate and House during the 87th Legislative Session who worked to provide resources to build this industry," stated Nick Serafy, Chairman of the Cameron County Spaceport Development Corporation.

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