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NEWS RELEASE

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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service: Precinct 2 Colonia Cleanup

PHARR – Precinct 2 Commissioner Eduardo “Eddie” Cantu will work with community volunteers to commemorate the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service by partnering with La Union Del Pueblo Entero (LUPE) to provide a Colonia Cleanup in Lopezville on Monday, Jan. 19 and Tuesday, Jan. 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service is a way to bring together volunteers and local officials to partner on service projects that improve the quality of life in our communities.

LUPE approached Cantu with the idea after meetings with residents of Colonia Gonzalez Zamora revealed that trash is a major concern. In addition to the general cleanup, residents are encouraged to clean their yards, garages, sheds and alleys.

“Precinct 2 is ready and willing to collaborate on this project. The residents are very excited and are already informing the neighbors about the event,” said LUPE Community Organizer Julieta Paredes.

Arrangements have been made to have roll-off dumpsters provided by Precinct 2 to be placed on key streets. The intent of the cleanup is to remove tires and trash that can serve as breeding habitats for rodents, mosquitoes and other pests.

“Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said, ‘Everyone has the power for greatness – not for fame, but greatness – because greatness is determined by service.’ Projects like this allow volunteers from our community the opportunity for greatness through service. I am honored to be a part of this effort and proud to be partnering with LUPE,” said Cantu.

Joining the residents and LUPE are more than 20 volunteers from The University of Texas-Pan American. For more information, call Precinct 2 at (956) 787-1891.

DETAILS

WHO: LUPE in collaboration with Precinct 2 Commissioner Eddie Cantu
WHAT: Colonia Cleanup
WHEN: Monday, Jan. 19 and Tuesday, Jan. 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
WHERE: Colonia Gonzalez Zamora, starting on Church St. in Lopezville

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