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City Invites Public to Celebrate and Explore Playa Drain Trail Extension

Recreational Trail Stretches Further Across Mission Valley

Who: City of El Paso Capital Improvement, Community and Human Development, and Parks and Recreation Departments in partnership with the Office of City Representative Henry Rivera and the Paso Del Norte Health Foundation

What: Ribbon-cutting ceremony for Segment II of the Playa Drain Trail

Where: Trailhead located near Yarbrough and Independence intersection

When: 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, 2023

The City of El Paso invites the public to celebrate the completion of the second segment of the Playa Drain Trail, a nearly 1-mile extension of the Paso Del Norte Trail.

The new trail extension stretches from Knights Drive to Yarbrough Drive near the Mission Valley's Shawver Park and provides visitors with a trail fit for walking, jogging, or biking and amenities including but not limited to benches, lighting, picnic tables, landscaping, pet waste stations. The \$1.2 million investment was funded through a Community Development Block Grant.

The trail system is being developed in segments and is part of a larger community effort seeking to connect neighborhoods from West El Paso to the Mission Valley by linking more than 60 miles in trails.

Parking is available at Shawver Park, near Yarbrough and Independence, for the public to attend the ribbon-cutting ceremony. After the ceremony participants can join a Live Active EP one-mile-long fun walk/run, visit educational booths located along the new trail extension, and receive free backpacks and other promotional items while supplies last.

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