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**NEWS RELEASE**

## City Of El Paso Named a Finalist for 2018 All-America City Award

**EL PASO, Texas** – The City of El Paso is proud to announce that the National Civic League (NCL) has named the City of El Paso as a finalist for the 2018 All-America City Award.

The All-America City Award (AAC) is the nation's oldest and most prestigious civic recognition award.

"We are pleased that the City of El Paso is once again a finalist for the All-America City Award. The City won in 1969 and 2010, and I am confident we will do well this year," said City of El Paso Mayor Dee Margo.

Participants had to submit an award application outlining three community projects that address their communities' most pressing challenges. The City's Department of Community and Human Development submitted the following projects that highlight the city's efforts to improve quality of life:

1. Empowering El Pasoans for Services and Leadership
2. Career and Adult Educational Opportunities
3. El Paso Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Program.

The 20 cities named as finalists will send a delegation to Denver, Colorado, in June to make a live presentation to a panel of judges. Each community will bring a team of residents, nonprofit leaders, business representatives, government officials and young people to participate in presentations and workshops for three days. The 2018 AAC finalists represent collaborative, inclusive and innovative civic engagement.

"Mayor and Council, the City's executive team, and City staff have all worked hard for this honor, and I am proud that we are one of only two Texas cities to become a finalist," said City Manager Tommy Gonzalez. "We are excited to tell the City of El Paso's story and showcase all of the advancements we have made."

Listed alphabetically by state are the 2018 All-America City finalists:

Allentown, PA; Ann Arbor MI; Battle Creek, MI; Beaverton, OR; Cincinnati, OH; Charlotte, NC; Columbia, SC; Decatur, GA; El Paso, Texas; Kershaw County, SC; Las Vegas, NV; Longmont, CO; Miami Beach, FL; Mount Pleasant, SC; Pasco, WA; Placentia, CA; San Antonio, TX; Springdale, AR; Stockton, CA; Tacoma, WA.

To see complete details on the All America City Award, visit the following link <http://conta.cc/2pu2vy9>

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