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## PORT HOUSTON COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM APPLICATION PERIOD OPENS FEBRUARY 1

Hosts 'Grants 101' Workshop on January 30

**HOUSTON** – Port Houston has announced the start of the application period for its Community Grants Program (CGP), beginning February 1. Eligible not-for-profit organizations may submit their Letters of Interest (LOI) to Port Houston starting February 1. Applicants meeting the 2024 CGP's guidelines and priorities will be invited to complete the full grant application following the close of the LOI period, which ends March 1.

Port Houston is dedicated to supporting and helping improve the communities around the Houston Ship Channel. Its Community Grants Program focuses on investing resources into meaningful projects and programs in our area. Since the program's inception in 2020, Port Houston has awarded \$1.25 million towards initiatives supporting economic and workforce development, revitalizing greenspaces, pollution reduction, and health equity programs.

Port Houston will host two public workshops to highlight this year's program and allow interested organizations the opportunity to ask clarifying questions about the 2024 CGP process. Workshop dates are scheduled for February 6 and February 15.

On a related note, Port Houston co-hosts a Grants 101 workshop on January 30. This free, virtual event is designed to provide a comprehensive overview of how our local non-profit partners can find grant opportunities, strategically write grant proposals, and be more competitive for all their grant submissions, not just when applying for a Port Houston grant.

Interested non-profits may access more information about Port Houston's 2024 Community Grants Program, including dates, times, and links to the workshops, which can be found at <a href="https://porthouston.com/community/outreach/community-grants-program/">https://porthouston.com/community/outreach/community-grants-program/</a>

## **About Port Houston**

For more than 100 years, Port Houston has owned and operated the public wharves and terminals along the Houston Ship Channel, including the area's largest breakbulk facility and two of the most efficient container terminals in the country. Port Houston is the advocate and a strategic leader for the Channel. The Houston Ship Channel complex and its more than 200 private and eight public terminals is the nation's largest port for waterborne tonnage and an essential economic engine for the Houston region, the state of Texas and the U.S. The Port of Houston supports the creation of nearly 1.5 million jobs in Texas and 3.37 million jobs nationwide, and economic activity totaling \$439 billion in Texas and \$906 billion in economic impact across the nation. For more information, visit the website at PortHouston.com.

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