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# news release

REPRESENTATIVE KIKA DE LA GARZA ANNOUNCES AWARD OF \$1.8 MILLION RECD COLONIAS GRANT TO CITY OF ALTON FOR INDIVIDUAL HOME SEWER HOOKUPS

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WASHINGTON, DC--South Texas Congressman Kika de la Garza announces the award by the Rural Economic and Community Development Service (RECD), formerly the Farmers Home Administration, of a \$1.8 million Section 306 Colonias Grant to the City of Alton for sewer system improvements.

The proposed improvements will provide individual residential connections to the central sewer system which is to be constructed through the State's Economically Distressed Areas Program (EDAP). Approximately 1,658 people will be served through this project.

"It's good to know that because of this funding assistance residents of the City of Alton will at long last have access to sewer services," Rep de la Garza said. "For far too long the residents of the 45 colonias which make up the City and its planning area have been without a central sewer system of any kind. These services will have a profound impact on the quality of living for the residents of the Alton area, and I couldn't be happier."

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