



Proclamation

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF COMAL §
CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS §

WHEREAS, for over 26 years the National Coalition for the Homeless and National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness have sponsored National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, the National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is observed annually during the week preceding Thanksgiving to bring attention to the plight of individuals and families experiencing hunger and homelessness in our community; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the proclamation is to educate the public about the many reasons people are hungry and homeless including the shortage of housing options in New Braunfels that are affordable for very low income residents; and to encourage support for non-profit agencies and other community resources that provide guidance and support for youth, families, and adults who experience hunger or housing insecurity; and

WHEREAS, in our community, over 7,000 people per month are provided food assistance and over 6 million pounds of food are distributed to hungry individuals and families in our community annually; and

WHEREAS, a minimum of 700 will face the devastating challenges of homelessness in our community this year, including lack of access to stable housing, healthcare, basic needs, and essential services, which profoundly impacts their health, wellbeing, life trajectory, and opportunities for a brighter future; and

WHEREAS, the number of those facing homelessness in our community has doubled in the last 4 years and continues to grow; and

WHEREAS, addressing hunger and homelessness aligns with the City of New Braunfels' commitment to upholding human dignity, promoting affordable housing initiatives, and ensuring access to essential resources for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week serves as a call to action for our community to raise awareness, advocate for policies that prevent and reduce hunger and homelessness, and support programs that aid those in need.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, that I, Neal Linnartz, Mayor of the City of New Braunfels, Texas, hereby proclaim November 16-22, 2025, as

"National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week"

in New Braunfels, and I encourage all residents, businesses, and organizations to recognize the challenges faced by individuals experiencing hunger and homelessness, to support efforts to end food insecurity and homelessness, and to create a future where everyone has access to safe, stable, and affordable housing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of New Braunfels to be affixed this the 10th day of November 2025.

CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS

NEAL LINNARTZ, Mayor