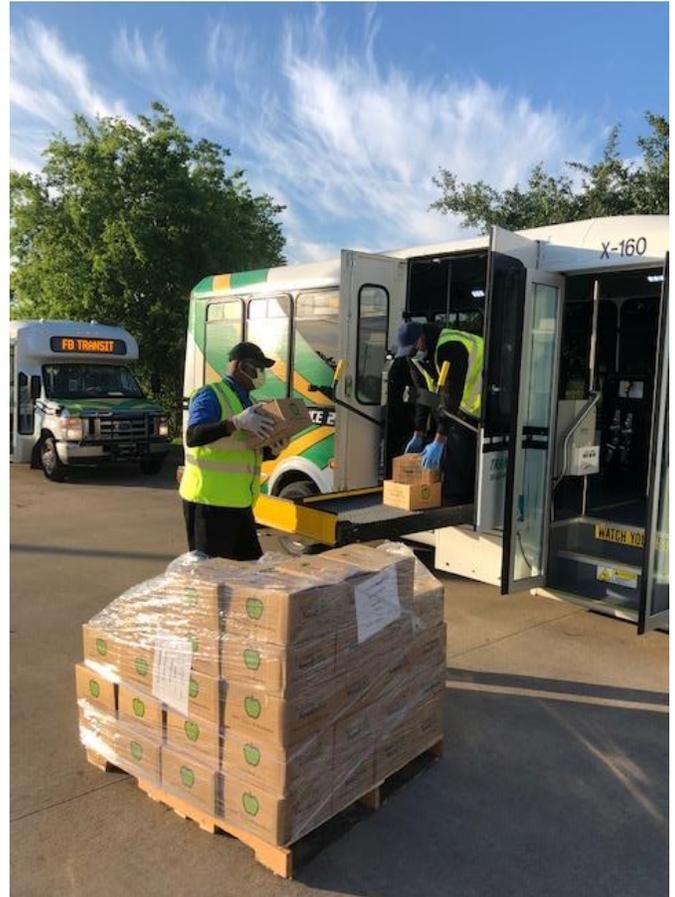


## FORT BEND TRANSIT – GOING THE EXTRA MILE!

Commissioner Ken R. DeMerchant, Fort Bend County Precinct 4 and Fort Bend Transit is pleased to announce the collaborative project, “The Meal Bus.” In partnership with Los Jewels Foundation, a local non-profit organization, Commissioner Ken R. DeMerchant and Fort Bend Transit are gearing up to going the extra mile to benefit the community.

Recognizing the need to serve Fort Bend County Precinct 4 families facing food insecurities and transportation challenges, “The Meal Bus” was born. “Repurposing Fort Bend County buses from picking up and delivering passengers to include picking up and delivering meals was a welcome opportunity in our efforts to serve our community during this time of crisis,” noted Commissioner DeMerchant.

The food distribution pilot program launched on April 15, 2020. The Meal Bus delivered meals from Second Mile Mission Center to families at the Avana Sugar Land Apartments. Plans are currently being made to continue the service weekly. Plans to expanding the program to additional Precinct 4 apartment communities with similar needs are being considered.



*I would like to thank Fort Bend Transit for assisting in getting these meals to my community “Avana Sugar Land”. I would also like to tell you what a wonderful organization you have partnered with! Lo’s Jewels Foundation delivered this food to my community in such a heartfelt and professional manner. We are so fortunate to have Fort Bend Transit and Lo’s Jewels assisting Fort Bend County in such a positive way! You are all truly a blessing.*

*Angelica*