

## **UPDATES FROM THE JUDGE'S OFFICE**

**MAY 15, 2020**

*On May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Governor Abbott announced in his press conference, that counties and cities, have the opportunity to apply for the (**Coronavirus Relief Fund**) (CRF). This is the long, awaited funding to assist counties and cities on addressing some of our COVID-19 efforts that are not eligible for reimbursement under other funding avenues. This is a 20% allocation as well as the "Per Capita" funding amounts for our jurisdiction, in other words, based on the population. The City will receive more funding with most of the population being in the City. The County will receive a smaller amount, but this will be beneficial if we have a breakout of this virus in Foard County. The County will be re-opening soon, but we will be asking anyone entering the Courthouse to wear a face mask for your safety and ours. We have put plexiglass in some offices for more protection for our staff and elected officials and for our public. These were put in place on a permanent basis. This will become the "New Norm." As you have seen, if you have been in some of our businesses, they have done the same by putting up plexiglass for your protection and theirs.*

*We would like to say "Thank You" to each business for going the extra mile for our Community. This will help our Community be a safer place. We would like to say "Thank You" to all our citizens of Foard County for being patient, responsible and caring for one another. Please "Stay Safe" and remember "Our lives depend on our actions."*

*"May God keep us under his protection"*

*In Jesus name-Amen*

*Respectfully,*

*County Judge and Commissioners*