

Washington, DC – Today, the House of Representatives agreed by a vote of 308-114 to the conference report on the 2010 [Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act \(HR 3183\)](#). The bill, which Congressman Gonzalez supported, includes \$1 million in funding for the Bexar County Solar Collection Farm and Distribution Center. Specifically, the funds would provide for the installation of a 200-kilowatt solar photovoltaic (PV) system, which will convert natural sunlight into electricity, at the Justice Center Expansion building generating approximately 10% of its total annual electricity usage.

“The Bexar County Solar Collection Farm and Distribution Center represents an essential part of the county’s agenda to increase their utilization of alternative energies, and I am very pleased to assist them as they move toward this important goal of making their facilities more economically efficient and environmentally friendly,” said Congressman Gonzalez. “These new solar panels will demonstrate that saving money can also protect the environment and put those hot summer days to work keeping us cool,” added Gonzalez.

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