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9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
San Fernando Cathedral Hall, 115 Main Plaza

A symposium: A Moral Vision for San Antonio's 300th Anniversary: 25 Years from Now

Archbishop José H. Gomez and Mayor Phil Hardberger will host a dynamic symposium of community leaders entitled: "*A Moral Vision for San Antonio's 300th Anniversary: 25 Years from Now*".

This weekend the City of San Antonio and San Fernando Cathedral, together, will close their 275th anniversary year. The Mayor and the Archbishop have invited leaders from throughout the community to gather to discuss what they want to see happen in the next 25 years in San Antonio, as the city and the cathedral approach their 300th anniversary. The symposium attendance is by invitation only.

The symposium will be facilitated by former San Antonio Mayor and former Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, **Henry Cisneros**. It will feature 3 panel discussions including such well known names as: **Charlie Cottrell**, Rep. **Ruth Jones McClendon**, **Howard Peak**, **Marty Wender**, City Councilwoman **Patti Radle**, **Bob Rivard**, **Lionel Sosa**, and many more.

Other distinguished participants in the morning's discussion will include: **Dr. Louis Agnese**, **Terry Brechtel**, **Julian Castro**, **Charlie Cheever**, **Dr. Alfonso Chiscano**, **Jim Cullum**, **Father Virgil Elizondo**, **Rev. Buckner Fanning**, **Dr. Tessa Martinez Pollack**, **Tom Frost**, **William Sinken**, **Judge Nelson Wolfe**, and many more.

The format will revolve around three rounds of discussion. Each of the six panel members will have 90 seconds to address their question, and then a second opportunity to respond to comments made by other panelists. This process will be repeated three times, each featuring a different panel. After each panel's presentation, the individual 8 member tables will have the opportunity to discuss the questions and the panel's responses: These are the three major questions the panels and the large group will address:

Round 1: What should we as a community *Stop Doing* to fulfill the moral vision we desire for San Antonio 25 years from now?

Panel members for Question 1:

Charlie Cottrell; Bob Dugas; Father Virgil Elizondo Elizabeth Ames Jones; Ruth Jones McClendon; and Howard Peak



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Round 2: What should we as a community *Keep Doing* to fulfill the moral vision we desire for San Antonio 25 years from now?

Panel members for Question 2:

Javier Elizondo; Robbie Greenblum; Char Miller; Patti Radle; Fernando Reyes; and Marty Wender

Round 3: What should we as a community *Start Doing* to fulfill the moral vision we desire for San Antonio 25 years from now?

Panel members for Question 3:

Elisa Chan; Bob Rivard; John Phillip Santos; Phyllis Siegel; Lionel Sosa; and Reverend E. Thurman Walker

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