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## **Press Release**

## Notice of Abandoned or Unknown Cemetery

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Due to the tremendous growth of Guadalupe County and the surrounding counties in our area, the Guadalupe County Historical Commission is alerting all citizens of the need to locate and identified all abandoned family cemeteries in the county. Individual family and community cemeteries need to file with the county clerk's office as historic cemeteries for their protection from future development of the county. Many of these small and family cemeteries are becoming endangered and lost to history of the county.

Guadalupe County currently has more than 300 cemeteries located within the boundaries of the county. Many of these cemeteries need attention or have been abandoned due to multiple factors. Recording a notice of an abandoned or unknown cemetery form is the easiest way to add an abandoned or unknown grave site or cemetery to your county deed records.

It is the mission of the Guadalupe County Historical Commission to inform and assist the residents in providing information and guidance on recording all cemeteries in Guadalupe County with the county clerk's office. The commission will start a one- year project in providing locations in the county with the appropriate forms for notice of the cemetery, guidance in completing the form, and information on preservation of abandoned or neglected cemeteries in Guadalupe County. Contact information is provided below:

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