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Burnet County, Texas
US Marshals Service IGA # 80-11-0007 Project
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TEAM PROVIDING SERVICES TO BURNET COUNTY.

Joe Summerill is the Managing Principal of Summerill Law Firm, PLLC. Joe specializes in federal government contracts related to the Department of Justice's Federal Bureau of Prisons, United States Marshals Service and the Department of Homeland Security's Immigration and Customs Enforcement. He has over twenty years of experience in negotiating federal contracts and IGAs.

Michele Sharpe is the Senior Grants Officer for the Summerill Law Firm, PLLC. Michele specializes in the preparation and submission of Intergovernmental Service Agreement applications to the US Marshals Service and Immigration & Customs Enforcement.

Kane Smith is the Principal of KPI Strategic and will serve as a subcontractor for this project.

GOALS FOR THIS PROJECT.

U.S. Marshals Service prisoners are housed in the Burnet County Jail pursuant to Inter-Governmental Agreement # 80-11-0007 last updated October 2022. At that time, the County agreed to a per diem rate of \$80.00. Our draft analysis indicates that the County can now negotiate a new per diem rate of \$100.00 (or higher). However, we anticipate this rate will be higher after we add costs from capital improvement projects for the Jail. Nevertheless, with an average daily population of 100 USMS prisoners housed at the Jail, this new per diem rate will generate \$750 K in new additional annual revenue. The County's new IGA with the Marshals will have a term of 36 months, meaning that Burnet will generate approx. \$2.3 M in new additional revenue over the term of the IGA.

COMPENSATION FOR CALCULATING & NEGOTIATING NEW PER DIEM.

In consideration for the scope of work described above, the Parties agree that the Summerill Law Firm, PLLC shall be paid a one-time fee equal to ninety (90) calendar days' worth of the difference between the amount the Burnet County invoices the federal government under the new IGA per diem rate / transport / hospital guard service rate, and the amount the County would have otherwise invoiced the federal government under its current IGA per diem rate of \$80.00.

If the Summerill Law Firm, PLLC cannot negotiate a per diem rate higher than \$80.00, then no fee shall be paid to them.