

# COUNTY of HIDALGO



EDINBURG, TEXAS 78539

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September 9, 2016

The Honorable Ramon Garcia, Hidalgo County Judge  
The Honorable A.C. Cuellar, Jr., Commissioner, Precinct No. 1  
The Honorable Eduardo "Eddie" Cantu, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2  
The Honorable Jose M. Flores, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3  
The Honorable Joseph Palacios, Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

**RE: Certification of Revenue**

Dear Judge and Commissioners:

Pursuant to Local Government Code § 111.0706 SPECIAL BUDGET FOR GRANT OR AID MONEY:

The county auditor shall certify to the commissioners' court the receipt of all public or private grant or aid money that is available for disbursement in a fiscal year but not included in the budget for that fiscal year. On certification, the court shall adopt a special budget for the limited purpose of spending the grant or aid money for its intended purpose.

I, Ray Eufrazio, County Auditor of Hidalgo County, certify to the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court the receipt of an award from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pass through the Texas Office of the Governor - Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD). These funds may now be made available by creating a new special budget or amending a current budget for its intended purposes.

AMOUNT  
\$70,000.00

PURPOSE  
Grant Number: 3174701  
Federal/State Award ID: EMW-2015-SS-00080  
Operation Stone Garden Program (OPSG) FY15

CERTIFIED BY:

  
Raymundo Eufrazio, CPA  
Hidalgo County Auditor

9/12/16  
Date



**HIDALGO COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGES**

LUIS M. SINGLETERRY JUDGE, 12<sup>th</sup> D.C.    RODOLFO DELGADO JUDGE, 13<sup>th</sup> D.C.    J. R. "BOBBY" FLORES JUDGE, 13<sup>th</sup> D.C.    ROSE GUERRA REYNA JUDGE, 20<sup>th</sup> D.C.    JUAN R. PARTIDA JUDGE, 27<sup>th</sup> D.C.    MARIO E. RAMIREZ, JR. JUDGE, 32<sup>nd</sup> D.C.    NOE GONZALEZ JUDGE, 37<sup>th</sup> D.C. OVERSEER    LETICIA LOPEZ JUDGE, 38<sup>th</sup> D.C.    ADA SALINAS FLORES JUDGE, 38<sup>th</sup> D.C.    ISRAEL RAMON, JR. JUDGE, 43<sup>rd</sup> D.C.    JESSE CONTRERAS JUDGE, 44<sup>th</sup> D.C.

AI-56219

Constables 12. A.

CC - REGULAR

Meeting Date: 09/13/2016

Submitted For: Constable Celestino Avila, Jr., CONSTABLE PCT. #1

Submitted By: Joe Espinoza, CONSTABLE PCT. #1

Department: CONSTABLE PCT. #1

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Information

CAPTION

Constable Pct. 1 - Operation Stonegarden (1284):

1. Authorization to accept the Approval Notice in reference to Operation Stonegarden FY2015 for the amount of \$70,000.00.
2. Authorization and approval for County Judge, as authorized official, to Electronically accept grant award form and related documents.
3. Authorization to pay Overtime reimbursable under the grant terms and conditions.
4. Approval of Certification of Revenues as certified by the County Auditor for the FY2015 Operation Stonegarden Grant.
5. Approval to appropriate the budget for Hidalgo County Constables Pct.1 Office portion of the FY 2015 Operation Stonegarden Grant in the amount of \$70,000.00

BACKGROUND

Grant No. 3174701

Grant Operation: Date is from 4/1/16 to 8/31/17.

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Fiscal Impact

FISCAL YEAR: 2018

ACCT. #: 6-1284-421-00-291-047-8-XXX

FUNDS AVAILABLE Y/N?: Y    MATCHING FUNDS Y/N?: N

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Revenue Acct# 6-1284-331-12-291-047-8-000 Operation Stonegarden Revenues.  
The 2015 OPSG grant will only cover Overtime, FICA, Retirement, Unemployment Compensation, and Workers Comp fringe benefits. All other fringe benefits will be charged to the Constable Pct. 1's general fund account (6-1100-421-00-291-001-0-XXX)  
No local match is required. Approval to accept Operation Stonegarden 2015 grant.

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Attachments

award

Appropriation

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Form Review

**Inbox**

Budget & Management

Final Approval

Form Started By: Joe Espinoza

**Reviewed By**

Veronica Ortiz

**Date**

09/02/2016 04:05 PM

Started On: 09/02/2016 03:19 PM

## Hector Sandoval

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**From:** Joe Espinosa [joe.espinosa@co.hidalgo.tx.us]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 02, 2016 3:43 PM  
**To:** Hector Sandoval  
**Subject:** Certification of Revenues

Hector, I am requesting a certification of revenues for \$70,000.00 for operation Stone Garden 2016. Grant Number 3174701

97.067 - Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

Federal Awarding Agency: U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency  
Federal Award Date: 8/19/2015 Federal/State Award ID Number: EMW-2015-SS-00080 Total  
Federal Award/State Funds Appropriated: \$80,998,000.00 Pass Thru Entity Name: Texas Office  
of the Governor - Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) Is the Award R&D: No

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Chief Deputy Joe F. Espinosa  
Hidalgo County Constables Office Pct 1.  
Constable Celestino Avila  
1900 Joe Stephens Weslaco, Texas 78596  
(956) 447-3775 ext. 1106  
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GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

Dear Grantee:

Congratulations on your award! To activate your agency's grant, the Authorized Official must log on to eGrants at <https://eGrants.gov.texas.gov> and go to the 'My Home' tab. In the 'Pending Applications' section, locate the application with a 'Current Status' of "Pending AO Acceptance of Award". Click on the grant number and proceed to the 'Accept Award' tab. From this tab, click on the 'Accept' button. Grants must be accepted within 45 calendar days of the date the award was issued.

Be sure to review the Subrecipient Responsibilities Memo for a quick overview of general items every grantee should be aware of. You can also find more detailed information on the eGrants website including helpful resources, links, and tools needed to properly administer HSGD grants. The Guide to Grants, also on the website, contains answers to questions frequently asked by grantees.

If you have any questions regarding this award, feel free to contact your grant manager, whose name is referenced in the Statement of Grant Award or you may always contact our office via the eGrants Help Desk at [eGrants@gov.texas.gov](mailto:eGrants@gov.texas.gov).

We look forward to working with you to ensure the success of your program.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Aimee Snoddy".

Aimee Snoddy  
Director  
Homeland Security Grants Division

**Statement of Grant Award (SOGA)**

The Statement of Grant Award is the official notice of award from the Office of the Governor (OOG). This Grant Agreement and all terms, conditions, provisions and obligations set forth herein shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and assigns and all other State of Texas agencies and any other agencies, departments, divisions, governmental entities, public corporations, and other entities which shall be successors to each of the Parties or which shall succeed to or become obligated to perform or become bound by any of the covenants, agreements or obligations hereunder of each of the Parties hereto.

The approved project narrative and budget for this award are reflected in eGrants on the 'Narrative' and 'Budget/Details' tabs. By accepting the Grant Award in eGrants, the Grantee agrees to strictly comply with the requirements and obligations of this Grant Agreement including any and all applicable federal and state statutes, regulations, policies, guidelines and requirements. In instances where conflicting requirements apply to a Grantee, the more restrictive requirement applies.

The Grant Agreement includes the Statement of Grant Award; the OOG Grantee Conditions and Responsibilities; the Grant Application in eGrants; and the other identified documents in the Grant Application and Grant Award, including but not limited to: 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; Chapter 783 of the Texas Government Code, Title 34, Part 1, Chapter 20, Subchapter 1 of the Texas Administrative Code, and the Uniform Grant Management Standards (UGMS) developed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; the state Funding Announcement or Solicitation under which the grant application was made, and for federal funding, the Funding Announcement or Solicitation under which the OOG was awarded funds; and any applicable documents referenced in the documents listed above. For grants awarded from the U.S. Department of Justice, the current applicable version of the Department of Justice Grants Financial Guide and any applicable provisions in Title 28 of the CFR apply. For grants awarded from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), all Information Bulletins and Policies published by the FEMA Grants Program Directorate apply. The OOG reserves the right to add additional responsibilities and requirements, with or without advance notice to the Grantee.

By clicking on the 'Accept' button within the 'Accept Award' tab, the Grantee accepts the responsibility for the grant project, agrees and certifies compliance with the requirements outlined in the Grant Agreement, including all provisions incorporated herein, and agrees with the following conditions of grant funding. The grantee's funds will not be released until the grantee has satisfied the requirements of the following Condition(s) of Funding and Other Fund-Specific Requirement(s), if any, cited below:

<b>Grant Number:</b>	3174701	<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$70,000.00
<b>Date Awarded:</b>	PREVIEW - AWARD NOT ACTIVE	<b>Grantee Cash Match:</b>	\$0.00
<b>Grant Period:</b>	04/01/2016 - 08/31/2017	<b>Grantee In Kind Match:</b>	\$0.00
<b>Liquidation Date:</b>	11/29/2017	<b>Total Project Cost:</b>	\$70,000.00
<b>Program Fund:</b>	HS-Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)		
<b>Grantee Name:</b>	Hidalgo County		
<b>Project Title:</b>	Hidalgo-2015 OPSG-Constable PCT1		
<b>Grant Manager:</b>	Jerry Ding		
<b>DUNS Number:</b>	103110834		

<b>CFDA:</b>	97.067 - Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
<b>Federal Awarding Agency:</b>	U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency
<b>Federal Award Date:</b>	8/19/2015
<b>Federal/State Award ID Number:</b>	EMW-2015-SS-00080
<b>Total Federal Award/State Funds Appropriated:</b>	\$80,998,000.00
<b>Pass Thru Entity Name:</b>	Texas Office of the Governor – Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD)

**Is the Award R&D:** No

**Federal/State Award Description:**

The purpose of the HSGP is to support state and local efforts to prevent terrorism and other catastrophic events and to prepare the Nation for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of the United States. The HSGP provides funding to implement investments that build, sustain, and deliver the 31 core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal (the Goal) of a secure and resilient Nation. The building, sustainment, and delivery of these core capabilities are not exclusive to any single level of government, organization, or community, but rather, require the combined effort of the whole community.

List of Application Errors and Incomplete Information

Item(s) that Need to be Resolved	Tab Name
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List of Post-Award Conditions of Funding and Other Fund-Specific Requirements

Condition of Funding / Project Requirement	Date Created	Date Met	Hold Project Funds	Hold Line Item Funds
Costs for vehicle fuel are allowable only for the hours officers are working on grant-paid overtime. Vehicle maintenance costs must be prorated to show the use of vehicles for regular law enforcement duties and the use of vehicles while officers are working grant-paid overtime patrols. Only actual vehicle expenses supported by invoiced gas, oil, and maintenance expenses may be reimbursed under this grant. Please retain all receipts and be prepared to make available upon request.	4/21/2016			

DATE: September 6, 2016

2016

Appropriation

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Constable Celestino Avila Jr.



DEPARTMENT NAME: Constable Pct. 1 (291)

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 6-1284-421-00-291-047-8-XXX

Contact Person: Joe F. Espinosa Ph# 956-447-3775

SUBJECT: **Budget Amendments** (increase (decrease)) in accordance with Local Government Code, Chapter 111, § 111.070, Item C (2).

Honorable Commissioners' Court of Hidalgo County:

I would like to request the following Budget Amendments (increase (decrease)) in accordance with Local Government Code, Chapter 111, § 111.070, Item C (2).

INCREASE ACCOUNT NUMBER(S)	ACCOUNT (OBJECT) NAME	AMOUNT
6-1284-421-00-291-047-8-131	CONST PCT1 OPSG-OVERTIME PAY	29,217.82
6-1284-421-00-291-047-8-220	CONST PCT1 OPSG-FICA	2,235.16
6-1284-421-00-291-047-8-230	CONST PCT1 OPSG-RETIREMENT	3,351.28
6-1284-421-00-291-047-8-250	CONST PCT1 OPSG-UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	175.31
6-1284-421-00-291-047-8-260	CONST PCT1 OPSG-WORKERS COMP	911.60
6-1284-421-00-291-047-8-752	CONST PCT1 OPSG-VEHICLES	34,108.83
6-1284-331-12-291-047-8-000	CONST PCT1 OPSG-REVENUES	70,000.00
<b>TOTAL BUDGET INCREASE (DECREASE)</b>		<b>70,000.00</b>

**REASON:**

To appropriate the budget for the FY 2015 Operation Stonegarden Grant for Constable Pct 1. The grant was awarded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) passed through the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD)  
Grant Number: 3174701; Federal/State Award ID: EMW-2015-SS-00080; Grant period is from 04/01/16 to 08/31/17

Note: Expenses relating to health and life insurance that are assigned to the overtime hours are to be charged to the Constable Pct.1 general fund budget (6-1100-421-00-291-001-0-XXX)

DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE

APPROVED COMMISSIONERS' COURT

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DATE

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ATTEST COUNTY CLERK