

# COUNTY of HIDALGO



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March 3, 2017

The Honorable Ramon Garcia, Hidalgo County Judge  
The Honorable David Fuentes, 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:

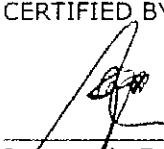
The county auditor shall certify to the commissioners' court the receipt of all public or private grant or aid money that is available for disbursement in a fiscal year but not included in the budget for that fiscal year. On certification, the court shall adopt a special budget for the limited purpose 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) passed through the Office of the Governor's 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  
\$ 75,000.00

PURPOSE  
Grant Number: 3174702  
Federal/State Award ID: EMW-2016-SS-00056  
Operation Stone Garden Program (OPSG) FY16

CERTIFIED BY:

  
Raymundo Eufrazio, CPA  
Hidalgo County Auditor

3/4/17  
Date

**HIDALGO COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGES**

LUIS M. SINGLETERRY JUDGE, 92<sup>ND</sup> D.C.    RODOLFO DELGADO JUDGE, 93<sup>RD</sup> D.C.    J. R. "BOBBY" FLORES JUDGE, 139<sup>TH</sup> D.C.    ROSE GUERRA REYNA JUDGE, 206<sup>TH</sup> D.C.    JUAN R. PARTIDA JUDGE, 275<sup>TH</sup> D.C.    MARIO E. RAMIREZ, JR. JUDGE, 332<sup>ND</sup> D.C.    HOE GONZALEZ JUDGE, 376<sup>TH</sup> D.C. OVERSEER    LETICIA LOPEZ JUDGE, 389<sup>TH</sup> D.C.    RENO VASQUEZ JUDGE, 398<sup>TH</sup> D.C.    ISRAEL RAMON, JR. JUDGE, 430<sup>TH</sup> D.C.    HENRI R. BETANCOURT JUDGE, 440<sup>TH</sup> D.C.

AI-58799

Constables 7. A.

CC - REGULAR

Meeting Date: 03/07/2017

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

Submitted By: Joe Espinoza, CONSTABLE PCT. #1

Department: CONSTABLE PCT. #1

Information

CAPTION

Constable Pct. #1:

1. Authorization to accept the Approval Notice in reference to Operation Stonegarden FY 2016 for the amount of \$75,000.00.
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 FY 2016 Operation Stonegarden Grant.
5. Approval to appropriate the budget for Hidalgo County Constable Pct. 1 portion of the FY 2016 Operation Stonegarden Grant in the amount of \$75,000.00.

BACKGROUND

On 3/7/16, Commissioners' Court approved the authorization to apply for the FY 2016 Operation Stonegarden Grant from the Office of the Governor, Department of Homeland Security, FEMA (AI#53541).

Grant No. 3174702

Grant Operation: Date is from 1/1/17 to 8/31/18

Fiscal Impact

FISCAL YEAR: 2019

ACCT. #: 7-1284-421-00-291-047-9-XXX

FUNDS AVAILABLE Y/N?: Y

MATCHING FUNDS Y/N?: N

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

No local match is required. Approval to accept Operation Stonegarden 2016 grant. Revenue Account # 7-1284-331-12-291-047-9-000

Attachments

Appropriation

**Form Review**

| Inbox                         | Reviewed By    | Date                            |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Budget & Management           | Veronica Ortiz | 03/02/2017 04:01 PM             |
| Ivan Cantu                    | Ivan Cantu     | 03/03/2017 01:30 PM             |
| Final Approval                |                |                                 |
| Form Started By: Joe Espinoza |                | Started On: 03/02/2017 01:50 PM |

## Itsayana Vallejo

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**From:** Joe Espinosa [joe.espinosa@co.hidalgo.tx.us]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 02, 2017 1:59 PM  
**To:** Itsayana Vallejo  
**Cc:** ray eufracio  
**Subject:** Certification of Revenues OPSG 2016

Ms. Vallejo, can you please certify the funds for A.I. #58799 for OPSG 2016. Thank You so Much

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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  
(956) 246-8152 cell

**\*\*\* PREVIEW - Statement of Grant Award (SOGA) - PREVIEW \*\*\***

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 I 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>     | 3174702                                   | <b>Award Amount:</b>          | \$75,000.00 |
| <b>Date Awarded:</b>     | PREVIEW - NOT YET AWARDED                 | <b>Grantee Cash Match:</b>    | \$0.00      |
| <b>Grant Period:</b>     | 01/01/2017 - 08/31/2018                   | <b>Grantee In Kind Match:</b> | \$0.00      |
| <b>Liquidation Date:</b> | 11/29/2018                                | <b>Total Project Cost:</b>    | \$75,000.00 |
| <b>Program Fund:</b>     | HS-Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) |                               |             |
| <b>Grantee Name:</b>     | Hidalgo County                            |                               |             |
| <b>Project Title:</b>    | Hidalgo-2016 OPSG-Constable PCT1          |                               |             |
| <b>Grant Manager:</b>    | Jerry Ding                                |                               |             |
| <b>DUNS Number:</b>      | 103110834                                 |                               |             |

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| <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>                           | 8/6/2016  |  |  |
| <b>Federal/State Award ID Number:</b>                | EMW-2016-SS-00056   |  |  |
| <b>Total Federal Award/State Funds Appropriated:</b> | \$80,593,000.00   |  |  |
| <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 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     |
|--|--------------|----------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Overtime: Grantees must upload a copy of the overtime policy approved by its governing board. This policy will be considered the official policy for grant purposes and must be used throughout the grant period. The policy must: 1) clearly describe how overtime will be calculated; 2) be consistent with the agency's overtime policy; and 3) treat grant-paid personnel the same as non-grant paid personnel. OOG will monitor overtime expenditures based on this policy. OOG will release the Condition of Funding once OOG approves the overtime policy.  | 1/20/2017    |          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 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.  | 1/20/2017    |          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Operations Order Required: By participating in the OPSG, the state, local, and Tribal agencies agree to conduct operations designed to reduce border-security risk. Tactical operations will be conducted on a periodic basis meeting the criteria outlined below. Tactical operational periods are composed of six critical elements: 1) a pre-planning meeting with the IPT; 2) specified beginning and ending dates; 3) intelligence driven, with a nexus to border security; 4) use of targeted enforcement techniques; 5) clearly stated objectives; and 6) an after-action meeting. A campaign should involve several tactical operational periods. These periods require deliberate on-going planning to ensure command, staff, and unit activities synchronize to current and future operations. Please prepare and submit the next Operations Order. Fund holds on specific budget line items will be released as Operations Orders are approved. | 1/20/2017    |          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Resolution: Applications from nonprofit corporations, local units of governments, and other political subdivisions must submit a resolution electronically using the 'Upload' function in the eGrants system. The <u>resolution</u> must contain the following:<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to OOG that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;</li> <li>• A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;</li> <li>• A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update OOG should the official change during the grant period.); and</li> </ul>  | 1/20/2017    |          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| • A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to OOG. |  |  |  |  |
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DATE: March 3, 2017

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Constable Celestino Avila Jr.

**2017**  
Appropriation



DEPARTMENT NAME: Constable Pct. 1 (291)

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 7-1284-421-00-291-047-9-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           |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------|
| 7-1284-421-00-291-047-9-131             | CONST PCT I OPSG-OVERTIME PAY      | 32,780.16        |
| 7-1284-421-00-291-047-9-220             | CONST PCT I OPSG-FICA              | 2,507.68         |
| 7-1284-421-00-291-047-9-230             | CONST PCT I OPSG-RETIREMENT        | 3,759.88         |
| 7-1284-421-00-291-047-9-250             | CONST PCT I OPSG-UNEMPLOYMENT COMP | 196.26           |
| 7-1284-421-00-291-047-9-260             | CONST PCT I OPSG-WORKERS COMP      | 1,022.74         |
| 7-1284-421-00-291-047-9-752             | CONST PCT I OPSG-VEHICLES          | 34,733.28        |
|   |                                    |                  |
| 7-1284-331-12-291-047-9-000             | CONST PCT I OPSG-REVENUES          | 75,000.00        |
|   |                                    |                  |
| <b>TOTAL BUDGET INCREASE (DECREASE)</b> |                                    | <b>75,000.00</b> |

**REASON:** To appropriate the budget for the FY 2016 Operation Stonegarden Grant for Constable Pct 1. The grant was awarded by the Office of the Governor's Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) Grant Number: 3174702; Grant period is from 01/01/17 to 08/31/18

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 (7-1100-421-00-291-001-0-XXX)

DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE

APPROVED COMMISSIONERS' COURT

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DATE

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ATTEST COUNTY CLERK