



# HIDALGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

**SHERIFF J.E. "EDDIE" GUERRA**

November 21, 2018

Grant Program Directorate  
Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security  
800 K Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20472

RE: Special Equipment Justification for OPSG OO TX Hidalgo Co. FY16  
19-RGVRGV-11-001 (Supplemental) Version 0

Dear Grants Program Directorate,

The Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office is requesting to purchase ten (10) License Plate Readers, one (1) Vigilant Commercial Account and three (3) SkyCops. The purchase of License Plate Readers and SkyCops will enhance our operational capability to support border security efforts along egress and ingress routes leading from the U.S./Mexico border.

The specialized equipment requested by the agency is as follows:

**Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office:**

Ten (10) Vigilant mobile License Plate Readers AEL# 03OE-01-ALPR = \$105,025.34

One (1) Vigilant Commercial Account AEL# 03OE-01-ALPR = \$32,025.34

Three (3) SkyCops AEL# 03OE-02-SCOP = \$316,525.34

**Total Equipment:  
\$453,576.02**

The purchase of License Plate Readers and SkyCops will enhance our law enforcement capabilities to collect information and intelligence and distribute it to federal, state and local law enforcement agencies.

The ten (10) license plate readers will be mobile and mounted on vehicles used for patrols during Operation Stonegarden duties. The purchase of the Vigilant Commercial Account will support the compatibility with the mobile LPRs. The three (3) SkyCops will be mobile and placed in strategic locations throughout Hidalgo County to provide surveillance in areas that lack situational awareness in support of border security.



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The Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office will comply with the State administrative Agency's requirements and register or enter into an agreement with TXDPS regarding sharing data/information from LPRs with other law enforcement agencies.

Thank you in advance for your consideration to our request.

Sincerely,

J.E. "Eddie" Guerra  
Hidalgo County Sheriff

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