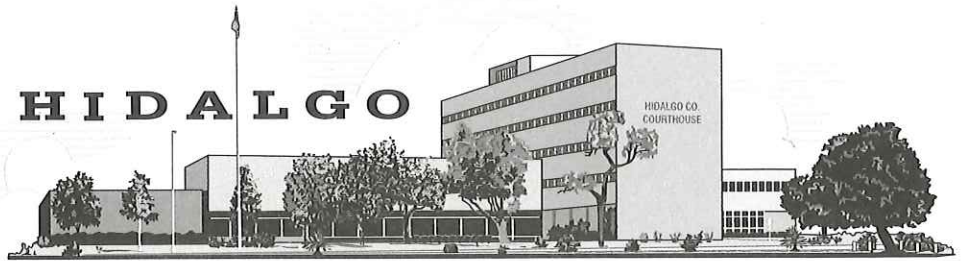


# COUNTY of HIDALGO



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December 23, 2020

The Honorable Richard F. Cortez, Hidalgo County Judge  
The Honorable David L. Fuentes, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1  
The Honorable Eduardo "Eddie" Cantu, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2  
The Honorable Joe M. Flores, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3  
The Honorable Ellie Torres, 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, Maria Arcilia Duran, County Auditor of Hidalgo County, certify to the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court the receipt of an award from the U.S. Department of Justice – U.S. Marshals Service (DOJ-USMS). These funds may now be made available by creating a new special budget or amending a current budget for its intended purposes.

AMOUNT	PURPOSE
\$17,500.00	Hidalgo Co. Sheriff's Office – DOJ-USMS FY21 Joint Law Enforcement Operations Task Force – Overtime for (1) TFOs

CERTIFIED BY:

Maria A. Duran  
Maria Arcilia Duran, CPA

12-28-20  
Date

**HIDALGO COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGES**

- LUIS M. SINGLETERRY JUDGE, 92<sup>ND</sup> D.C.
- FERNANDO MANCIAS 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.
- MARLA CUELLAR JUDGE, 275<sup>TH</sup> D.C.
- MARIO E. RAMIREZ, JR. JUDGE, 332<sup>ND</sup> D.C.
- NOE GONZALEZ JUDGE, 370<sup>TH</sup> D.C. OVERSEER
- LETICIA LOPEZ JUDGE, 389<sup>TH</sup> D.C.
- L. KENO VASQUEZ JUDGE, 398<sup>TH</sup> D.C.
- ISRAEL RAMON, JR. JUDGE, 430<sup>TH</sup> D.C.
- RENEE R. BETANCOURT JUDGE, 448<sup>TH</sup> D.C.
- YSMAEL D. FONSECA JUDGE, 484<sup>TH</sup> D.C.

AI-78806

Sheriff's Office 15. A.

CC REGULAR AGENDA REGULAR MTG

Meeting Date: 12/29/2020  
 Submitted For: Miguel Rodriguez, SHERIFF DEPT.  
 Submitted By: Miguel Rodriguez, SHERIFF DEPT.  
 Department: SHERIFF DEPT.

CAPTION

DOJ - USMS - U.S. Marshal (1284):

1. Approval to accept overtime funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Marshals Service for one (1) officer in the amount of \$17,500.00 per officer for FY 2021 (October 7, 2020 - September 30, 2021).
2. Requesting authorization to pay overtime reimbursable under the grant terms and conditions.
3. Approval of certification of revenues, as certified by the County Auditor, for the FY 2021 DOJ-USMS overtime funds in the amount of \$17,500.00 and appropriation of same.

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding between the United States Marshals Service (USMS) and the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office, funding is being made available for overtime expenses for one (1) officer assigned to the joint law enforcement operations task force. Period of Performance is from October 7, 2020 to September 30, 2021 for FY 2021.

Fiscal Impact

CALENDAR YEAR:	2020	ACCT. #:	0-1284-421-00-280-068-1-131
FUNDS AVAILABLE Y/N?:	y	MATCHING FUNDS Y/N?:	N

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Appropriation of funds in the amount of \$17,500.00 for DOJ-USMS funding of FY2021. Period of performance is 10/7/2020 to 9/30/21.  
 Revenue acct #0-1284-331-11-280-068-1-000 JLEO DOJ-USMS REVENUES  
 Expenses relating to fringe benefits for the overtime hours are to be charged to the Sheriff's Office Budget  
 No cash match required.

Attachments  
Appropriation  
Agreement  
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Form Review

Inbox	Reviewed By	Date
Emilia Uriegas	Emilia Uriegas	12/22/2020 10:07 AM
Budget & Management	Veronica Ortiz	12/22/2020 10:25 AM

Final Approval  
Form Started By: Miguel Rodriguez                      Started On: 12/17/2020 09:28 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: See last page for detailed instructions.

**SECTION 1: OBLIGATION**

DOCUMENT CONTROL #:

**SECTION 2: PARTICIPATING AGENCIES**

Notification to state and local agencies of funding provided in support of Joint Law Enforcement Operations, pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between:

Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office

and

Southern District of Texas (79)

All other terms and conditions of the MOU remain the same.

**SECTION 3: PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE**

October 7, 2020 to September 30, 2021

**SECTION 4: APPROPRIATION DATA**

FISCAL YEAR	ORGANIZATION	FUND	PROJECT	SOC / PURPOSE	DOLLAR AMOUNT
2021	D79	AFF-B-OP	JLEOTFS4	25205 - TFO Overtime	\$17,500.00

Total Obligation Amount: \$17,500.00

**SECTION 5: DESCRIPTION OF OBLIGATION**

TX1080000

TFO overtime for one TFO (\$17,500.00)

**SECTION 6: CONTACT INFORMATION**

**DISTRICT/RFTF CONTACT:**

Name: SDUSM Dagoberto Lopez

Phone: 956-683-2410

E-mail: dagoberto.lopez@usdoj.gov

**STATE/LOCAL CONTACT:**

Name: Sheriff J.E. "Eddie" Guerra

Phone: 956-393-6002

E-mail: sheriff.guerra@hidalgo.org

**SECTION 7: AUTHORIZATION**

**USMS Representative - Certification of Funds:**

Signature: ANN HEPHNER

Digitally signed by ANN HEPHNER  
Date: 2020.12.11 15:05:41 -0600'

Date: 12/11/2020

Ann Hephner, Administrative Officer

**Chief Deputy or RFTF Commander - Obligation Approval:**

Signature: JOHNNY WILLIAMS

Digitally signed by JOHNNY WILLIAMS  
Date: 2020.12.15 10:49:49 -0600'

Date: 12/15/2020

Johnny Ray Williams Jr., Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal

*Reimbursement of overtime work shall be consistent with the Fair Labor Standards Act. Annual overtime for each state or local law enforcement officer is capped at the equivalent of 25% of a GS-1811-12, Step 1, of the general pay scale for the RUS. Reimbursement for all types of qualified expenses shall be contingent upon availability of funds and the submission of a proper request for reimbursement which shall be submitted monthly or quarterly on a fiscal year basis, and which provides the names of the investigators who incurred overtime for the Task Force during the quarter; the number of overtime hours incurred, the hourly regular and overtime rates in effect for each investigator.*

**Departmental Representative - Acknowledgement:**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sheriff J.E. "Eddie" Guerra

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: December 17, 2020

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Hidalgo County Sheriff J.E. Eddie Guerra

**2020**  
Appropriation  
AI-78806



DEPARTMENT NAME: Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 0-1284-421-00-280-068-1-131

Contact Person: Miguel Rodriguez Ph# 956-393-6013

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

INCREASE ACCOUNT NUMBER(S)	ACCOUNT (OBJECT) NAME		AMOUNT
0-1284-421-00-280-068-1-131	JLEO DOJ-USMS	Overtime	\$17,500.00
0-1284-331-11-280-068-1-000	JLEO DOJ-USMS	REVENUES	\$17,500.00
<b>TOTAL BUDGET INCREASE (DECREASE)</b>			<b>17,500.00</b>

**REASON:** To appropriate the budget for overtime hours for officer assigned to USMS investigations. Funding period October 7, 2020 to September 30, 2021. Expenses relating to fringe benefits that are assigned to the overtime hours are to be charged to the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office general fund.

*Emilia Nierges*  
DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE

APPROVED COMMISSIONERS' COURT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE 1 / 1 ATTEST COUNTY CLERK \_\_\_\_\_

12/17/2020

Fwd: 2021 JLEO Document

From: "Miguel A Rodriguez 5734" <miguel.arodriguez@hidalgo.org>  
To: "Jose Rodriguez" <jose.rodriguez@auditor.co.hidalgo.tx.us>  
Subject: Fwd: 2021 JLEO Document  
Date: 12/17/2020 9:25:45 AM

Good morning Jose,

Can you please certify the revenues for the USMS FY 21 Grant, account 0-1284-421-00-280-068-0-131 in the amount of \$17,500.00.

Thank you,

Best,  
Miguel Rodriguez  
Program Manager I  
Hidalgo Co. Sheriff's Office  
956-393-6013  
miguel.arodriguez@hidalgo.org

----- Original Message -----

From: "Guerra, Nora (USMS)" <Nora.Guerra@usdoj.gov>  
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