



## Hidalgo County Constable Precinct 2

The Hidalgo County Precinct 2 Constable's Office conducts a wide range of law enforcement operations with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies to ensure public safety. Precinct 2 Constable's office patrols all three international bridges in Hidalgo, Donna, and Mission during border security operations.

Our office works with Customs and Border Patrol in apprehending and arresting individuals that attempt to smuggle illegal narcotics into our Country. Our office assists Federal Agencies in conducting knock and talk operations, execute search warrants, and arrest warrants that have led to the disruption of criminal organization involved in human smuggling, human trafficking and illegal narcotics. During these operations, Deputies and their equipment are exposed to the possible threat of the COVID-19 virus. It is often difficult to achieve the proper chemical coverage necessary on all equipment, and surfaces inside of patrol units. In a desire to maintain the security and safety of our Deputies and Hidalgo County Property we are requesting a grant award modification to utilize the Justice Grant Funds to purchase the Rapid Car UV Disinfecting Light, and the Indirect UV 24/7 Air Sanitizers.

In addition, the Hidalgo County Constables Office Pct. 2 has also been tasked to safeguard the illegal immigrants that are Covid-19 positive that are being held at Anzalduas Park 24/7. Therefore, asking that the Justice Grant Funds also be used to purchase Red/Blue uniform safety lights (Guardian Angel) for the protection of our deputies during night time operations. This device provides emergency lighting when in distress, and also visible to the USCBP chopper when flying, thru IR rays.

This equipment will allow us to perform our duties during this pandemic, and to allow our personnel to safely return home.

Thank You,

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Ricardo F. Cortez  
Hidalgo County Judge

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