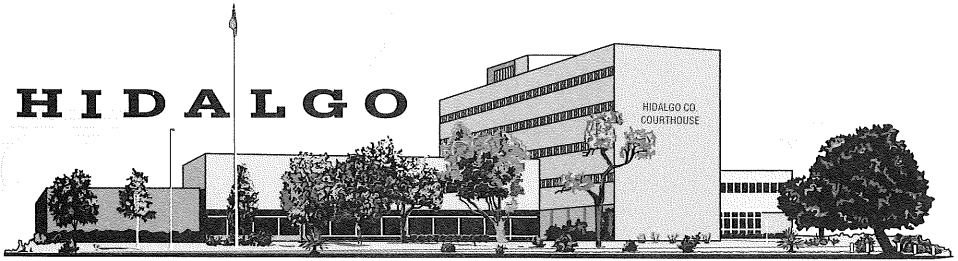


# COUNTY *of* HIDALGO



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October 28, 2022

The Honorable Richard Cortez, Hidalgo County Judge  
The Honorable David Fuentes, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1  
The Honorable Eduardo "Eddie" Cantu, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2  
The Honorable Everardo "Ever" Villarreal, 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:

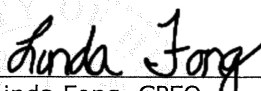
The county auditor shall certify to the commissioners' court the receipt of all public or private grant or aid money that is available for disbursement in a fiscal year but not included in the budget for that fiscal year. On certification, the court shall adopt a special budget for the limited purpose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

I, Linda Fong, Interim County Auditor of Hidalgo County, certify to the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court the receipt of an award from the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division. These funds may now be made available by creating a new special budget or amending a current budget for its intended purposes.

AMOUNT  
\$ 86,064.30

PURPOSE  
Award No. 2431512  
Hidalgo County Veterans Court

CERTIFIED BY:

  
Linda Fong, CPFO  
Interim County Auditor

10/28/2022  
Date

**HIDALGO COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGES**

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FERNANDO MANCIAS  
JUDGE, 93<sup>RD</sup> D.C.

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## FY2023 CJD specialty court grants

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To: Rossana Schettino <rossana.schettino@auditor.co.hidalgo.tx.us>

Wed, Oct 26, 2022 at 4:21 PM

Please certify the revenues for the CJD specialty court grants awarded to Adult Probation.

DWI Court - Grant #2413913

Veterans Court - Grant #2431512

Reentry Court - Grant #4301002

Misd DWI Court - Grant #3623205

Mental Health Court - Grant #3848404

HC Youthful Offender Court - Grant #3813404

*Rosario Ramirez-Castilleja*

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CC REGULAR AGENDA SPECIAL MTG

**Meeting Date:** 11/01/2022

**Submitted For:** Maria Castilleja, ADULT PROBATION

**Submitted By:** Maria Castilleja, ADULT PROBATION

**Department:** ADULT PROBATION

**CAPTION**

**DWI Court Grant (1289)**

1. Approval to accept the FY2023 DWI Court grant from the Office of Governor (Criminal Justice Division) in the amount of \$124,465.49 for the grant period of 9/1/2022 thru 8/31/2023.
2. Approval of certification of revenues, as certified by the Co. Auditor, for the FY2023 DWI Court Grant in the amount of \$124,465.49 and appropriation of the same.

**Veterans Court Grant (1289)**

1. Approval to accept the FY2023 Veterans Court grant from the Office of Governor (Criminal Justice Division) in the amount of \$86,064.30 for the grant period of 9/1/2022 thru 8/31/2023.
2. Approval of certification of revenues as approved by the County Auditor's Office for the FY2023 Veterans Court Grant in the amount of \$86,064.30 and appropriation of the same.

**Reentry Court Grant (1289)**

1. Approval to accept the FY2023 Reentry Court grant from the Office of Governor (Criminal Justice Division) in the amount of \$170,765.07 for the grant period of 9/1/2022 thru 8/31/2023.
2. Approval of certification of revenues, as certified by the Co. Auditor, for the FY2023 Reentry Court Grant in the amount of \$170,765.07 and appropriation of the same.

**MDWI Court Grant (1289)**

1. Approval to accept the FY2023 Misdemeanor DWI Court grant from the Office of Governor (Criminal Justice Division) in the amount of \$145,541.66 for the grant period of 9/1/2022 thru 8/31/2023.
2. Approval of certification of revenues, as certified by the Co. Auditor, for the FY2023 MDWI Court Grant in the amount of \$145,541.66 and appropriation of the same.

**Mental Health Court Grant (1289)**

1. Approval to accept the FY2023 Mental Health Court grant from the Office of Governor (Criminal Justice Division) in the amount of \$193,572.33 for the grant period of 9/1/2022 thru 8/31/2023.
2. Approval of certification of revenues, as certified by the Co. Auditor, for the FY2023 Mental Health Court Grant in the amount of \$193,572.33 and appropriation of the same.

**HC Youthful Offender Court Grant (1289)**

1. Approval to accept the FY2023 HC Youthful Offender Court grant from the Office of Governor (Criminal Justice Division) in the amount of \$128,028.02 for the grant period of 9/1/2022 thru 8/31/2023.
2. Approval of certification of revenues, as certified by the Co. Auditor, for the FY2023 HC Youthful Offender Court Grant in the amount of \$128,028.02 and appropriation of the same.

**BACKGROUND**

Agenda Item 84486 2/8/22

Approval to apply for grants and approval of resolution for each grant. DWI Court - Grant #2413913  
Veterans Court - Grant #2431512 Reentry Court - Grant #4301002 Misd DWI Court - Grant #3623205  
Mental Health Court - Grant #3848404 HC Youthful Offender Court - Grant #3813404

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**Fiscal Impact**

**Attachments**

DWI award stmt  
DWI approved budget  
DWI appropriation  
Veterans award stmt  
Veterans approved budget  
Veterans appropriation  
Reentry award stmt  
Reentry approved budget  
Reentry appropriation  
Misdemeanor DWI Court award stmt  
Misd DWI approved budget  
Misd DWI appropriation  
Mental Health award stmt  
Mental Health approved budget  
Mental Health appropriation  
Youthful Offender award stmt  
Youthful Offender approved budget  
Youthful Offender appropriation  
request to certify revenues

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**Form Review**

<b>Inbox</b>	<b>Reviewed By</b>	<b>Date</b>
Budget & Management Ivan Cantu Final Approval	Veronica Ortiz	10/26/2022 04:48 PM
Form Started By: Maria Castilleja		Started On: 10/26/2022 04:09 PM

**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 E, Division 4 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>	2431512 ✓	<b>Award Amount:</b>	\$86,064.30
<b>Date Awarded:</b>	10/6/2022	<b>Grantee Cash Match:</b>	\$0.00
<b>Grant Period:</b>	09/01/2022 - 08/31/2023	<b>Grantee In Kind Match:</b>	\$0.00
<b>Liquidation Date:</b>	11/29/2023	<b>Grantee GPI:</b>	\$0.00
<b>Program Fund:</b>	DC-Specialty Courts Program	<b>Total Project Cost:</b>	\$86,064.30 ✓
<b>Grantee Name:</b>	Hidalgo County		
<b>Project Title:</b>	Veterans Court Program ✓		
<b>Grant Manager:</b>	Madeline De Amaral		
<b>Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):</b>	LHACK1UL6NR3		

**CFDA:** N/A

**Federal Awarding Agency:** N/A - State Funds

**Federal Award Date:** N/A - State Funds

**Federal/State Award ID Number:** 2023-DC-ST-0012

**Total Federal Award/State Funds:** \$12,000,000.00

**Appropriated:**

**Pass Thru Entity Name:** Texas Office of the Governor – Criminal Justice Division (CJD)

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

**Federal/State Award Description:**

The purpose of the program is to support specialty courts as defined in Chapter 121 of the Texas Government Code, which incorporate the essential characteristics of: 1) Family Drug Court Programs from Chapter 122 of the Texas Government Code; 2) Drug Court Programs from Chapter 123 of the Texas Government Code; 3) Veterans Court Programs from Chapter 124 of the Texas Government Code; 4) Mental Health Court Programs from Chapter 125 of the Texas Government Code; or 5) Commercially Sexually Exploited Persons Court Programs from Chapter 126 of the Texas Government Code.

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**Agency Name:** Hidalgo County

**Grant/App:** 2431512 **Start Date:** 9/1/2022 **End Date:** 8/31/2023

**Project Title:** Veterans Court Program

**Status:** Active Grant

**Budget Details Information**

**Budget Information by Budget Line Item:**

CATEGORY	SUB CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	OOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL	UNIT/%
Personnel	Counselor and/or Therapist (licensed)	A Licensed Professional Counselor (Carina Leos) will provide intensive outpatient mental health treatment services for participants as supported by ASI (Addiction Severity Index) assessment and other mental health assessments. Services are individualized to the need of each participant, and intensity increases or decreases based on needs. Our current plan includes one counselor dedicated to providing these services to Veterans program participants. When residential care is indicated, the department will look for the most suitable residential	\$21,485.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,485.18	30

treatment program. The treatment providers will work with the program participant to develop a treatment plan tailored to the participant's assets and needs. The participant will meet privately with the Licensed Professional Counselor, and the treatment plan will constantly be revisited based on the participant's progress. The Licensed Professional Counselor and the probation officer will provide ongoing progress reports to the Veterans Court program team, which will monitor the effectiveness of the treatment plan for each participant. Budget amount would cover:  
Employee total Salary \$15,900.00,  
Health Benefits \$2,241.36, Life Benefit \$8.00,  
FICA \$1,216.35,  
Retirement Benefit \$2,024.07, and  
Unemployment Benefit \$95.40,  
Totaling

		\$21,485.18. Carina Leos Total salary is \$53,000.00 and Total Fringe amount is \$18,617.24.						
Personnel	Probation Officer	Probation Officer #1 (Esteban Del Bosque): The ultimate responsibility of case management rests with the probation officer. The program case management is defined as a collaboration between the probation officer and the treatment provider. The probation officer and the treatment provider work closely with the Veterans Court team, meeting monthly to fully and holistically manage each case. Intensive mental health and substance abuse treatment services are provided through collaboration with the treatment provider. The probation officer oversees referral to all other services. Referral services may include education, employment, and job training services, health	\$64,577.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$64,577.12	100

services, housing assistance, family counseling, mental health assessment, and any other available collateral services that may be required. Initially, the participant has weekly contact with the probation officer and appears weekly before the Judge in the Veterans Court. The frequency of meetings and intensity of monitoring decreases as the participant advances through the program. The participant will meet with the probation officer no less than once per month in the office, with visits as deemed necessary during each program phase. The participant's progress and adjustment to treatment, supervision, and ability to comply with the court's requirements, reporting, and court appearances may be reduced as the participant progresses from one phase to the next. The

probation officer will monitor participants between Veterans Court sessions. Working closely with the treatment provider and program participant, the probation officer will identify and address problems as they arise. Non-compliance with court-ordered conditions will require the probation officer to notify the Judge immediately and require an additional court appearance or revocation of bond or probation. Upon issuing an order for arrest, local law enforcement personnel will be contacted by the probation officer or the court to have the participant arrested. Budget Amount allocated would cover: Salary \$48,169.00, Health benefit \$14,634.24, Life Benefit \$24.64, FICA \$3,684.93, Retirement Benefit \$6,131.91, and Unemployment Benefit \$289.01.

		Totaling \$72,935.74							
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Office Supplies (e.g., paper, postage, calculator)	Purchase paper used to create Veterans Court program pamphlets, program booklets for participants to keep track of all program appointments, and status reports for the court during weekly staffing. Files and other related office supplies will be purchased. Office supplies including, but not limited to copy paper, staples, paperclips, pens, copy toners, case folders, other.	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.00	0	
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Project Supplies (e.g., binocular, battery, flexicuff, drug testing kit)	500 Alcohol and Drug Testing kits @ \$5.00 each. Drug and alcohol test will be used to monitor drug and alcohol use by random urinalysis.	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.00	0	

You are logged in as **User Name:** flopez

DATE: October 26, 2022  
 DEPARTMENT HEAD: Faustino Lopez, Executive Director  
 DEPARTMENT NAME: Adult Probation  
 PROGRAM: VETERANS COURT  
 ACCOUNT NUMBER: 2-1289-423-00-320-033-3-XXX

SUBJECT: Budget Amendments (decrease/increase) in Accordance with Local Government Code, Chapter 111, Subchapter C

Honorable Bobby Flores, Community Supervision & Corrections Department Overseer

I would like to request the following amendments (increases) to my department budget in accordance with Local Government Code, Chapter 111, Subchapter C.

INCREASE OBJECT NUMBER(S)	ACCOUNT (OBJECT) NAME	AMOUNT
2-1289-423-00-320-033-3-113	Veterans Court- Full-Time Employees	60,669.94
2-1289-423-00-320-033-3-211	Veterans Court- Health Insurance	12,637.80
2-1289-423-00-320-033-3-212	Veterans Court- Life Insurance	26.01
2-1289-423-00-320-033-3-220	Veterans Court- FICA	4,641.25
2-1289-423-00-320-033-3-230	Veterans Court- Retirement	7,723.28
2-1289-423-00-320-033-3-250	Veterans Court- Unemployment Compensation	364.02
2-1289-423-00-320-033-3-610	Veterans Court- General Supplies	2.00
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>86,064.30</b>
2-1289-334-10-320-033-3-000	Veterans Crt- Revenues	86,064.30
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>		<b>86,064.30</b>

**REASON:**

To setup the FY2023 Veterans Court Grant Budget #2431512 from 9/1/2022 to 8/31/2023.

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 Faustino Lopez, Director  
 Hidalgo County CSCD

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 Date

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 Linda Fong, CPFO  
 Interim County Auditor

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 Date

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