



HIDALGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SHERIFF J. E. "EDDIE" GUERRA

To: Bureau of Justice Assistance
Award Number: 15PBJA-21-GG-01875-JAGX
Dated: 10/01/2021 - 09/30/2024

Subject: Request for 6-Month Extension for Grant Utilization

Dear Cynthia F. Tims,

The Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office respectfully requests a six-month extension for the grant associated with Award Number 15PBJA-21-GG-01875-JAGX. The extension would extend the grant period from its current end date of 09/30/2024 to a new end date of 03/31/2025.

The extension is needed to utilize the remaining balance of \$6,255.84, which will be used to purchase shield support hooks for our officers. Our agency has successfully used the grant funds for the intended purposes and has purchased the following equipment:

95 ballistic helmets
2 ballistic shields
10 decibel meters
10 window tint meters

All equipment has been issued to our officers and is currently in use. However, due to recent threats of violence in public schools, we reassessed how to best allocate the remaining funds and determined that purchasing shield support hooks would best enhance our officers' safety and readiness.

This extension will provide sufficient time for the following:

Adjustments to the grant budget to allocate the remaining funds for the purchase.
Your approval of the proposed adjustments.
Our internal purchasing procedures.
The vendor's estimated fulfillment timeline of 65 days.
We believe that a six-month extension will allow for adequate time for these processes while ensuring that the necessary tools are obtained to support our officers.

Thank you for considering this request. Please feel free to contact us if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Richard F. Cortez
Hidalgo County Judge