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Identifying Information

Applicant Agency Name: ?

Hidalgo County

Project Title: ?

JAG

Division or Unit to Administer the Project: ?

Hidalgo County Emergency Management

Agency Address Line 1: ?

123 Mahl Street

Agency Address Line 2:

City:

Edinburg

State:

Texas

Zip Code:

78539

Start Date: ?

10/1/2025

End Date:

10/2/2026

Plan Year:

2026

Target Area Information

Select Your Project's Geographic Impact:

Local Regional Statewide

Select Your Primary Service County:

The county in which the majority of services will be provided, or select **Impact is Statewide:** Hidalgo

Your project will provide services within: ?

Hidalgo

Peer Review for Your Project Performed by:
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council

Select all of the counties within the project's service area: ?

[Click to View County List](#)

View the list of counties you selected that are within the project's service area: ?

Grant Officials Information

Authorized Official Email Address:

Financial Officer Email Address:

Project Director Email Address:

Grant Writer Email Address:

Title:	
Mr.	
Last Name:	First Name:
Cantu	Eric
Business Phone:	Fax Number:
956-227-5914	
Position:	Salutation:
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator	--- Select One ---
Address Line 1:	Address Line 2:
123 Mahl St	
City:	State:
Edinburg	Texas
Zip Code:	
78539	

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Introduction

The purpose of this funding is to support projects that promote public safety, reduce crime, and improve the criminal justice system.

Certifications

In addition to the requirements found in existing statute, regulation, and the funding announcement, this program requires applicant organizations to certify compliance with the following:

Constitutional Compliance

Applicant assures that it will not engage in any activity that violates Constitutional law including profiling based upon race.

Information Systems

Applicant assures that any new criminal justice information systems will comply with data sharing standards for the Global Justice XML Data Model and the National Information Exchange Model.

Bulletproof Vests

Applicant assures that if it plans to purchase body armor with grant funds, that it has adopted a mandatory wear policy and that all vests purchased have been tested and found to comply with the latest applicable National Institute of Justice (NIJ) ballistic or stab standards. Additionally, vests purchased must be American-made.

Cybersecurity Training Requirement

Local units of governments must comply with the Cybersecurity Training requirements described in Section 772.012 and Section 2054.5191 of the Texas Government Code. Local governments determined to not be in compliance with the cybersecurity requirements entered into the computerized criminal history database maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) as directed in the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Chapter 66. The disposition completeness percentage is defined as the percentage of arrest charges a county reports to DPS for which a disposition has been subsequently reported and entered into the computerized criminal history system.

Criminal History Reporting

Entities receiving funds from PSO must be located in a county that has an average of 90% or above on both adult and juvenile dispositions entered into the computerized criminal history database maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) as directed in the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Chapter 66. The disposition completeness percentage is defined as the percentage of arrest charges a county reports to DPS for which a disposition has been subsequently reported and entered into the computerized criminal history system.

Counties applying for grant awards from the Office of the Governor must commit that the county will report at least 90% of convictions within five business days to the Criminal Justice Information System at the Department of Public Safety.

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR)

Eligible applicants operating a law enforcement agency must be current on reporting complete UCR data and the Texas specific reporting mandated by 411.042 TGC, to the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) for inclusion in the annual Crime in Texas (CIT) publication. To be considered eligible for funding, applicants must have submitted a full twelve months of accurate data to DPS for the most recent calendar year by the deadline(s) established by DPS. Due to the importance of timely reporting, applicants are required to submit complete and accurate UCR data, as well as the Texas-mandated reporting, on a no less than monthly basis and respond promptly to requests from DPS related to the data submitted.

Entities That Collect Sexual Assault/Sex Offense Evidence or Investigate/Prosecute Sexual Assault or Other Sex Offenses

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 420.034, any facility or entity that collects evidence for sexual assault or other sex offenses or investigates or prosecutes a sexual assault or other sex offense for which evidence has been collected, must participate in the statewide electronic tracking system developed and implemented by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Visit [DPS's Sexual Assault Evidence Tracking Program](#) website for more information or to set up an account to begin participating. Additionally, per Section 420.042 "A law enforcement agency that receives evidence of a sexual assault or other sex offense...shall submit that evidence to a public accredited crime laboratory for analysis no later than the 30th day after the date on which that evidence was received." A law enforcement agency in possession of a significant number of Sexual Assault Evidence Kits (SAEK) where the 30-day window has passed may be considered noncompliant.

DNA Testing of Evidentiary Materials

When funds are used for DNA testing of evidentiary materials, any resulting eligible DNA profiles must be uploaded to the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) by a government DNA lab with access to CODIS.

Interoperable Communications

Funds to support emergency communications activities must ensure compliance with the FY 2018 SAFECOM Guidance on Emergency Communications Grants; adherence to the technical standards set forth in the FCC Waiver Order, or any succeeding FCC orders, rules, or regulations pertaining to broadband operations in the 700 MHz public safety band; and are fully coordinated with the full-time [Statewide Interoperability Coordinator \(SWIC\)](#) for Texas.

Twelve-Step Programs

Grant funds may not be used to support or directly fund programs such as the Twelve Step Program which courts have ruled are inherently religious. PSO grant funds cannot be used to support these programs, conduct meetings, or purchase related materials.

Program Income

Applicant agrees to comply with all federal and state rules and regulations for program income and agrees to report all program income that is generated as a result of the project's activities. Applicant agrees to report program income through a formal grant adjustment and to secure PSO approval prior to use of the program income. Applicant agrees to use program income for allowable costs and agrees to expend program income immediately after PSO's approval of a grant adjustment and prior to requesting reimbursement of funds.

Deduction Method - Program income shall be deducted from total allowable costs to determine the net allowable costs. Program income shall be used for current costs unless PSO authorizes otherwise. Program income which the grantee did not anticipate at the time of the award shall be used to reduce the PSO award and grantee match rather than to increase the funds committed to the project.

Asset Seizures and Forfeitures - Program income from asset seizures and forfeitures is considered earned when the property has been adjudicated to the benefit of the plaintiff (e.g., law enforcement entity).

National Instant Background Check System (NICS)

Entities receiving funds under this solicitation that are to generate or upgrade court dispositions or other records that are relevant to National Instant Background Check System (NICS) determinations must have a system in place to ensure that all such NICS-relevant dispositions or records that are generated or upgraded are made available in timely fashion to state repositories/databases that are accessed by NICS.

Body-Worn Cameras (BWCs)

Applicant assures that if it plans to purchase body-worn cameras with grant funds, that it has adopted adequate policies and procedures related to BWC equipment usage, data storage and access, privacy considerations and training. The certification form related to BWC policies and procedures can be found [here](#).

Compliance with State and Federal Laws, Programs and Procedures

Local units of government, including cities, counties and other general purpose political subdivisions, as appropriate, and institutions of higher education that operate a law enforcement agency, must comply with all aspects of the programs and procedures utilized by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") to: (1) notify DHS of all information requested by DHS related to illegal aliens in Agency's custody; and (2) detain such illegal aliens in accordance with requests by DHS. Additionally, counties and municipalities may NOT have in effect, purport to have in effect, or make themselves subject to or bound by, any law, rule, policy, or practice (written or unwritten) that would: (1) require or authorize the public disclosure of federal law enforcement information in order to conceal, harbor, or shield from detection fugitives from justice or aliens illegally in the United States; or (2) impede federal officers from exercising authority under 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a), § 1226(c), § 1231(a), § 1357(a), § 1366(1), or § 1366(3). Lastly, eligible applicants must comply with all provisions, policies, and penalties found in Chapter 752, Subchapter C of the Texas Government Code.

Each local unit of government, and institution of higher education that operates a law enforcement agency, must download, complete and then upload into eGrants the [CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances Form](#) certifying compliance with federal and state immigration enforcement requirements. This Form is required for each application submitted to PSO and is active until August 31, 2026 or the end of the grant period, whichever is later.

Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (EEO Plan)

If awarded, applicant agrees to comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity Program (EEO) requirements per 28 C.F.R. § 42 Subpart E. Agencies may use the EEO Utilization Report Builder to assist with preparing Verification Forms and, if required, Utilization Reports.

Civil Rights Liaison

A civil rights liaison who will serve as the grantee's civil rights point of contact and who will be responsible for ensuring that the grantee meets all applicable civil rights requirements must be designated. The designee will act as the grantee's liaison in civil rights matters with PSO and with the federal Office of Justice Programs.

Enter the Name of the Civil Rights Liaison:

Enter the Address for the Civil Rights Liaison:

Enter the Phone Number for the Civil Rights Liaison [(999) 999-9999 x9999]:

Overall Certification

Each applicant agency must certify to the specific requirements detailed above as well as to comply with all requirements within the PSO Funding Announcement, the *Guide to Grants*, the *Grantee Conditions and Responsibilities*, any authorizing or applicable state and federal statutes and regulations to be eligible for this program.

I certify to all of the application content & requirements.

Project Narrative**Project Abstract**

Briefly summarize the proposed project. The abstract should summarize information in the other project narrative boxes below, and should be understandable by a lay person.

Problem Statement

Describe the nature and scope of the underlying problem the proposed project will address. Include aspects of the problem relevant to the project's approach and activities.

Supporting Data

Provide supporting data for the Problem Statement. Data should be relevant to the project and its target group. For example, do not use statewide data for a local problem or national data for a statewide problem.

Project Approach & Activities

Describe the methodologies, approaches, and activities to be employed by the project. This should logically tie back to the Problem Statement.

Capacity & Capabilities

Describe the applicant organization's background as well as any organizational and staff capabilities and qualifications necessary to carry out this project using the approaches and activities provided above, including any essential collaborative partnerships.

Performance Management

Describe how the applicant organization will measure success for this project. Describe the overall goals, objectives, and strategies for this project and how the organization will collect, track, and maintain the relevant data needed to determine if the project is achieving these standards throughout the grant period.

Target Group

Describe or list the agencies, individuals, or other groups to whom you expect to provide services, including any relevant data.

Evidence-Based Practices

Describe the research or evidence that led the applicant to select the methods, approach, and activities described above. Where possible, cite specific research, evidence, or published best/promising practices model used as the basis for the project's design. If the project approach and activities described above are not based on existing evidence, the applicant must describe why they believe the method to be promising.

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List of Application Errors and Incomplete Information

Item(s) that Need to be Resolved	Tab Name
Error! The Project End Date day must be the last day of the month	Profile
Required: County / Counties within the Impact Area.	Profile
Required: Zip Code must be in the format #####-####.	Profile
Required: The designation of one or more of the following grant officials: Authorized Official, Financial Officer, and/or Project Director.	Profile
Invalid: The Authorized Official, Financial Officer, and the Project Director must be separate persons when named as a grant official for this project. For more information please reference <i>1 TAC, §3.2501.</i>	Profile
Required: Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) is a required field. You must enter the 12 character alphanumeric UEI number assigned to your agency or check YES that your Agency is actively seeking a valid SAM registration to continue.	GrantVendor
Required: The System for Award Management (SAM) Expiration Date is blank.	GrantVendor
Required: The Direct Deposit form must be uploaded before you can submit your application.	GrantVendor
Required: The W9 form must be uploaded before you can submit your application.	GrantVendor
Required: The Texas Payee ID form must be uploaded before you can submit your application.	GrantVendor
Required: Information regarding contract compliance.	Documents
Required: Information regarding lobbying assurances.	Documents
Required: Information regarding lobbying assurances.	Documents
Required: Information regarding the grantee's fiscal year.	Documents
Required: Information regarding the grantee's fiscal year.	Documents
Required: Information regarding Sources of Financial Support.	Documents
Required: Information regarding Sources of Financial Support.	Documents
Required: Information regarding single audits.	Documents
Required: Information regarding debarment certification.	Documents
Required: Information regarding annual gross revenue for FFATA.	Documents
Required: Information regarding executive compensation for FFATA.	Documents
Required: The name of the civil rights liaison.	Narrative
Required: The address for the civil rights liaison.	Narrative
Required: The phone number for the civil rights liaison.	Narrative
Required: Overall certification requirement.	Narrative
Required: All Narrative questions must be answered.	Narrative
Invalid: The Dedicated Percentage column for the OOG and Grantee-Defined Project Activities under the Detailed Project Activity Area must total 100 % .	Activities
Required: Information regarding the Budget Details tab.	Budget Details

List of Post-Award Conditions of Funding and Other Fund-Specific Requirements

Condition of Funding / Project Requirement	Date Created	Date Met	Hold Project Funds	Hold Line Item Funds