



HIDALGO COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE

2808 SOUTH BUSINESS HIGHWAY 281
EDINBURG, TEXAS 78539-6243

PHONE: (956) 318-2511 FAX: (956) 318-2577
www.hidalgocounty.us/294/Auditors-Office

November 10, 2025

The Honorable Richard F. Cortez, Hidalgo County Judge
The Honorable David Fuentes, Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
The Honorable Eduardo 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, Letty Chavez, County Auditor of Hidalgo County, certify to the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court the receipt of an award from the Texas Office of the Governor-Homeland Security Grants Division. These funds may now be made available by creating a new special budget or amending a current budget for its intended purposes.

AMOUNT	PURPOSE
\$2,660,718.00	Award No. 2026-BP-ST-0018 Border Prosecution Unit

CERTIFIED BY:

Letty Chavez
County Auditor

11/6/2025
Date

HIDALGO COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGES



Javier Flores <javier.flores@auditor.co.hidalgo.tx.us>

Certification of Revenue Request - Border Prosecution Unit Grant FY26 ✓

Ramiro Sendejo <ramiro.sendejo@da.co.hidalgo.tx.us>

Mon, Nov 3, 2025 at 2:09 PM

To: Javier Flores <javier.flores@auditor.co.hidalgo.tx.us>, Minerva Diaz <minerva.diaz@auditor.co.hidalgo.tx.us>

Cc: Rosalinda Cantu <rosalinda.cantu@da.co.hidalgo.tx.us>, Sylvia Solis <sylvia.solis@da.co.hidalgo.tx.us>, Obdett Calzada-Aguillon <obdett.aguillon@da.co.hidalgo.tx.us>, Patricia Pacheco <patricia.pacheco@co.hidalgo.tx.us>

Good afternoon Javier,

Please process a Certification of Revenues in the total amount of \$2,660,718.00 for the FY 26 Border Prosecution Unit (BPU) effective 09/01/2025 through 08/31/2027. ✓

Attached is the Award letter and Statement of Grant Award.

Agenda Item #AI-101434 will be presented to Commissioners Court on November 25, 2025, requesting acceptance of these funds.

Please note a request to move this agenda to the November 10th meeting will be submitted.

If you have any questions please let me know.

--

Ramiro Sendejo

Accountant IV

Office of Criminal District Attorney

Hidalgo County, Texas

100 E. Cano, Courthouse Annex III, 2nd Floor

Edinburg, TX 78539

Office No: (956) 292-7604 ext. 8082 Fax: (956) 318-2078

REVIEWED
By Maria.Munoz at 10:20 am, Nov 05, 2025

2 attachments

LETTER.pdf
226K

SOGA - BPU.pdf
89K

AI-101434 ✓

District Attorney 9. B.

CC REGULAR AGENDA SPECIAL MTG

Meeting Date: 11/10/2025 ✓

Submitted For: Ramiro Sendejo, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Submitted By: Ramiro Sendejo

Department: DISTRICT ATTORNEY

CAPTION

DA - Border Prosecution Unit Grant (BPU) (1281): ✓

1. Approval to accept the Region 3-Border Prosecution Unit Grant in the amount of \$2,660,718.00, effective 09/01/2025 through 08/31/2027. ✓
- ✓ 2. Approval of certification of revenues as certified by the County Auditor for the FY 2026 Region 3-Border Prosecution Unit grant funds in the amount of \$2,660,718.00 ✓ and appropriation of the same.

BACKGROUND

Funding is provided by the Office of the Governor Homeland Security Grant Division. ✓ Approval to apply was granted by the Commissioners Court on January 28, 2025, Agenda Item #98032 CC Regular.

Fiscal Impact

CALENDAR YEAR: 2025 ✓

ACCT. #: 5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-XXX ✓

FUNDS AVAILABLE Y/N?: Y ✓ **MATCHING FUNDS Y/N?:** N ✓

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Appropriation of funds for the FY 2026 HSGD-Border Prosecution Unit (BPU) grant award in the amount of \$2,660,718.00, ✓ pending COR by Co. Auditor.

FY 2026 grant period is from 9.1.2025 to 8.31.2027; ✓ no cash match required. ✓
Revenue acct. #5-1281-334-10-080-012-6-000 HSGD-BPU-REVENUES. ✓

Attachments

- AWARD LETTER
- STATEMENT OF GRANT AWARD
- BUDGET
- COR Request
- appropriation-revised ✓

Form Review

Inbox	Reviewed By	Date
Budget & Management	Veronica Ortiz	11/03/2025 02:30 PM
Final Approval	Monica Salinas	11/04/2025 04:57 PM
Form Started By: Ramiro Sendejo		Started On: 11/03/2025 01:25 PM
Final Approval Date: 11/04/2025		

REVIEWED
By Maria.Munoz at 10:19 am, Nov 05, 2025

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 Texas Grant Management Standards (TxGMS) 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:

Grant Number:	2537812 ✓	Award Amount:	\$2,660,718.00 ✓
Date Awarded:	10/31/2025	Grantee Cash Match:	\$0.00
Grant Period:	09/01/2025 - 08/31/2027 ✓	Grantee In Kind Match:	\$0.00
Liquidation Date:	11/29/2027	Grantee GPI:	\$0.00
Program Fund:	BP-Border Prosecution Unit	Total Project Cost:	\$2,660,718.00 ✓
Grantee Name:	Hidalgo County		
Project Title:	Region 3-Border Prosecution Unit		
Grant Manager:	Darryl Sanders		
Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):	LHACK1UL6NR3		

CFDA:	N/A ✓		
Federal Awarding Agency:	N/A - State Funds ✓		
Federal Award Date:	N/A - State Funds ✓		
Federal/State Award ID Number:	2026-BP-ST-0018 ✓		
Total Federal Award/State Funds Appropriated:	\$46,263,938.00		
Pass Thru Entity Name:	Texas Office of the Governor – Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) ✓		
Is the Award R&D:	No		
Federal/State Award Description:	To support members of the Border Prosecution Unit in prosecuting border crime.		



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

Dear Grantee:

Congratulations on your award! To activate your agency's grant, the Authorized Official must log on to eGrants at <https://eGrants.gov.texas.gov> and go to the 'My Home' tab. In the 'Pending Applications' section, locate the application with a 'Current Status' of "Pending AO Acceptance of Award". Click on the grant number and proceed to the 'Accept Award' tab. From this tab, click on the 'Accept' button. Grants must be accepted within 45 calendar days of the date the award was issued.

Be sure to review the Grantee Conditions and Responsibilities Memo for a quick overview of general items every grantee should be aware of. You can also find more detailed information on the eGrants website including helpful resources, links, and tools needed to properly administer Public Safety Office grants. The Guide to Grants, also on the website, contains answers to questions frequently asked by grantees.

If you have any questions regarding this award, feel free to contact your grant manager, whose name is referenced in the Statement of Grant Award or you may always contact our office via the eGrants Help Desk at eGrants@gov.texas.gov.

We look forward to working with you to ensure the success of your program.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Aimee Snoddy".

Aimee Snoddy
Executive Director
Public Safety Office

DATE: November 5, 2025 ✓

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Toribio "Terry" Palacios

DEPARTMENT NAME: District Attorney's Office

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-XXX HSGD-BPU (Border Prosecution Unit) ✓

Contact Person: Ramiro Sendejo Ph#: 292-7604



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

INCREASE ACCOUNT ✓ ✓ NUMBER(S) ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	ACCOUNT (OBJECT) NAME	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-113	HSGD-BPU-REG F/T EMPLOYEES	1,768,813.14	1,768,813.14
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-115	HSGD-BPU-LONGEVITY	9,120.00	9,120.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-117	HSGD-BPU-SUPPLEMENTAL	54,375.18	54,375.18
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-118	HSGD-BPU-AUTO ALLOWANCE	26,880.00	26,880.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-211	HSGD-BPU-HEALTH INSURANCE	214,669.36	214,669.36
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-212	HSGD-BPU-LIFE INSURANCE	1,185.70	1,185.70
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-220	HSGD-BPU-FICA	150,075.35	150,075.35
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-230	HSGD-BPU-RETIREMENT	283,078.84	283,078.84
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-250	HSGD-BPU-UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	2,946.77	2,946.77
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-320	HSGD-BPU-PROFESSIONAL SRV	10,000.00	10,000.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-340	HSGD-BPU-TECHNICAL SERVICES	14,474.56	14,474.56
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-430	HSGD-BPU-REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES	5,000.00	5,000.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-441	HSGD-BPU-LAND & BLD RENT	2,000.00	2,000.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-442	HSGD-BPU-RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT & VEHICLES	300.00	300.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-532	HSGD-BPU-WIRELESS DEVICES	16,400.00	16,400.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-535	HSGD-BPU-POSTAGE & EXP. MAIL CHARGES	500.00	500.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-550	HSGD-BPU-PRINTING & BINDING	1,000.00	1,000.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-583	HSGD-BPU-TRAVEL OUT OF COUNTY	40,000.00	40,000.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-584	HSGD-BPU-REGISTRATION FEES	10,000.00	10,000.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-610	HSGD-BPU-GENERAL SUPPLIES	10,873.66	10,873.66
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-626	HSGD-BPU-GASOLINE/DIESEL	15,000.00	15,000.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-631	HSGD-BPU-BOTTLED WATER	300.00	300.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-640	HSGD-BPU-REFERENCE MATERIALS	6,000.00	6,000.00
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-761	HSGD-BPU-SOFTWARE	10,525.44	10,525.44
5-1281-412-00-080-012-6-780	HSGD-BPU-CAPITAL LEASES	7,200.00	7,200.00
		2,660,718.00	
✓ 5-1281-334-10-080-012-6-000	HSGD - BPU/Revenue ✓		2,660,718.00 ✓
TOTAL BUDGET INCREASE (DECREASE)			2,660,718.00 ✓

REASON: To appropriate the FY2026 BPU grant budget. Funding from September 1, 2025 - August 31, 2027. ✓

DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE

APPROVED COMMISSIONERS' COURT

DATE

ATTEST COUNTY CLERK

REVIEWED
By Maria.Munoz at 10:19 am, Nov 05, 2025

**BORDER PROSECUTION UNIT
GRANT #2537812 ✓**

Personnel	2,511,144.34 A
Contractual and Professional Services	12,000.00 B
Travel & Training	50,000.00 C
Equipment	7,200.00 D
Supplies and Direc Operating Expenses	80,373.66 E
TOTAL	<u>2,660,718.00</u> ✓

A

1,768,813.14
9,120.00
54,375.18
26,880.00
214,669.36
1,185.70
150,075.35
283,078.84
2,946.77
<u>2,511,144.34</u> ✓

B

10,000.00
2,000.00
<u>12,000.00</u> ✓

C

40,000.00
10,000.00
<u>50,000.00</u> ✓

D

7,200.00
<u>7,200.00</u> ✓

E

14,474.56
5,000.00
300.00
16,400.00
500.00
1,000.00
10,873.66
15,000.00
300.00
6,000.00
10,525.44
<u>80,373.66</u> ✓

REVIEWED
By Maria.Munoz at 10:19 am, Nov 05, 2025