



## **Background**

The WCSO SWAT Team was first established in the early 2001 under the name Special Mission Team (SMT). The original team consisted of 5 members and was created due to the need for a highly trained unit to meet the challenges above that of a standard patrol response. As the county has grown so has the need for the teams service to the community. Today the WCSO SWAT Team has grown to 24 members. Each member must complete an extensive selection process as well as a state mandated Basic SWAT school before becoming operational. This is only the beginning of the training process for these operators as they must complete hundreds of hours of specialized training as well as mandatory weekly team training.

## **Mission**

The WCSO SWAT Team serves the Williamson County community in a multitude of ways. They respond for barricaded subjects, felony warrant service, high risk search warrants, hostage situations, missing party searches, dignitary protection services, and any other event that has a need for a specialized unit. The WCSO SWAT Team is the primary team for all unincorporated areas of Williamson County and all other cities within Williamson County, with the exception of Leander, Cedar Park, and Georgetown (Central Texas Regional SWAT) and Round Rock (Round Rock PD SWAT). WCSO SWAT is the primary back up for both CTRS and RRPD SWAT and have assisted both teams. They are also called upon to assist the US Marshals Service, DPS, and our neighboring counties. WCSO SWAT also plays a large role in community oriented events such as National Night Out, Citizens Academies, Field of Honor, and many other functions held throughout Williamson County. The members of the WCSO SWAT Team are also tasked with providing information and training throughout the community with site security assessments and classes such as Civilian Response to Active Shooter Engagement (CRASE).

SWAT TEAM - RECURRING, REPLACEMENT, AND REQUESTED
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Requested Items by Priority
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ICOR Pole Camera		\$ 21,855
Breaching Equipment/Tools		2,256
AirPods Pro (Dignitary Protection)	\$249 ea	1,743
Microphone assembly - gasmask	\$1,291 ea	12,910
TOTAL		<u>\$ 38,764</u>

Recurring Costs - Estimated
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Def Tec Smokes/Powder		\$ 6,215
Uniforms/Gloves		4,092
Def Tec Recertification	\$3,186 ea	9,558
Team Training	\$1,445 ea	28,900
Mission Specific Certification		12,000
Memberships		650
Gasoline		3,000
Vehicle Maintenance		5,000
TOTAL		<u>\$ 69,415</u>

Disclaimer: The above cost are an estimate based on Historical Data