

Death Inquest Investigators Program

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Death Inquest Process

Past

- Operates under Tex CCP ch 49, sub A
- Justice of the Peace
- Staff workload

Current

- Majority operates under Tex CCP ch 49, sub A, sec 23
- Justice of the Peace
- Staff workload
- Death Inquest Investigator in 3 offices –
 JP1, JP2, and JP3





- Receives reports of deaths occurring within Williamson County
- Visits death scenes and conducts independent investigations regarding circumstances of death
- Prepares official investigative reports
- Releases cause and manner of death, as determined by the Justice of the Peace, to the public, official agencies, and media
- Communicates with agency partners, law enforcement agencies, hospitals, decedent's families, and the general public



Valerie Alvarez



- Experience with Collin and Lubbock County as a Board Certified Medicolegal Death Investigator (MDI) though the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigator (AMBDI)
- Medical Investigator for Dept. Health & Human Services Disaster Mortuary Team
- Passionate about partnering with law enforcement agencies and educational institutions to explain the role of a MDI
- Loves to go on RV camping trips with extended family





Kaylin Gravatt

- Bachelor of Science in Forensic Anthropology with a Minor in Forensic Science from Baylor University
- Almost 7 years experience as an Investigator
- Previously with Collin County Medical Examiner's Office
- ABMDI-Dipolmat
- Loves to draw, paint, digital art and photography



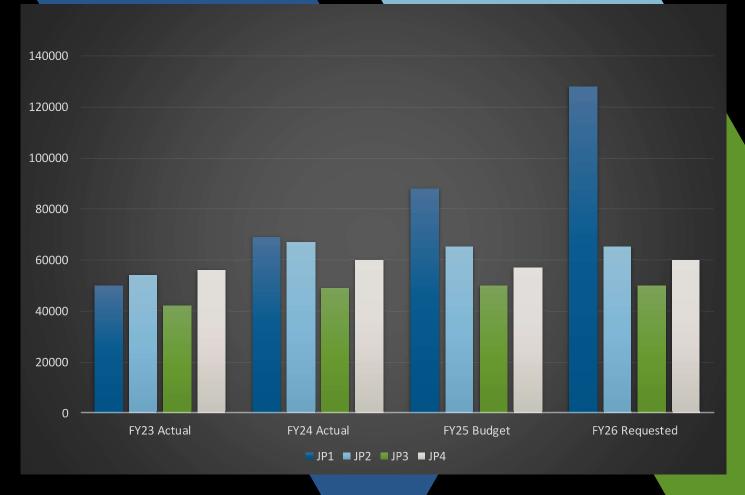


Ruben Leal

- Police and EMS Explorer at 14
- Experience as Dispatcher, Medic, and Investigator
- Eleven years as a driver/operator and technical rescue medic
- Specialized in investigations of infant and pediatric deaths
- Served on numerous task forces and boards, including a herding dog rescue organization with a foster and transport record of over 100 animals
- Plays in a competitive kickball league in Austin

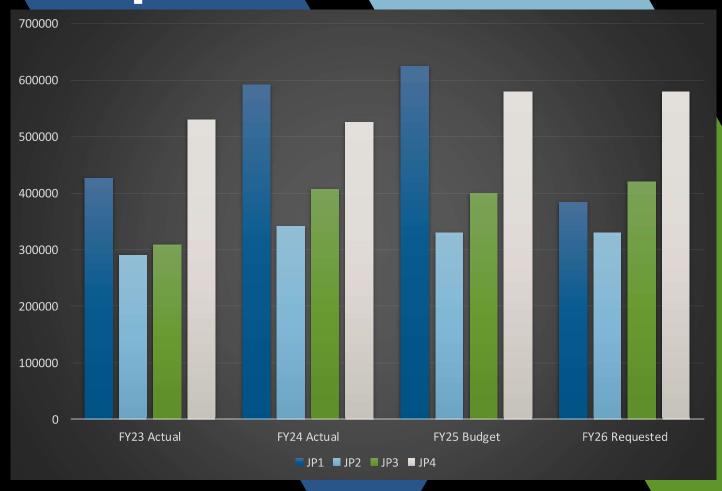


Transport - 004192





Autopsies - 004190





Caseload







Looking Ahead



Outreach



Strategic Planning



Indigent Burial Cases



Continuing Education



Questions?

