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Agency Name: San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office

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**Project Title:** Operation Lone Star Task Force **Status:** Application Pending Submission

**Eligibility Information** 

Your organization's Texas Payee/Taxpayer ID Number:

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**Application Eligibility Certify:** 

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Project Title: Operation Lone Star Task Force

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Headquarter County: San Jacinto

Counties within Project's Impact Area: Chambers, Galveston, Grimes, Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, Polk, Walker

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Grant Vendor Information
Organization Type: County

Organization Option: applying to provide homeland security services

Applicant Agency's State Payee Identification Number (e.g., Federal Employer's Identification (FEI) Number

or Vendor ID): 746000525 Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):

#### **Narrative Information**

### Introduction

The purpose of the program is to enhance interagency border security operations supporting Operation Lone Star including the facilitation of directed actions to deter and interdict criminal activity. Program participants shall assist DPS in the execution of coordinated border security operations in an effort to:

### **Law Enforcement**

- Increase the effectiveness and impact of Operation Lone Star.
- Reduce border-related criminal activity in Texas.
- Implement and increase the effectiveness of operational methods, measures, and techniques for outbound/southbound operations.
- Decrease the supply of drugs smuggled into and through Texas from Mexico.
- Disrupt and deter operations of gang and cartel criminal organizations.
- Decrease specifically targeted tactics (such as conveyance methods) for drugs in the Texas border region.
- Decrease use of specific areas for crime as targeted in directed action missions.
- Increase the effectiveness of directed action missions based upon intelligence and analysis to ensure they target the most serious threats and are conducted in high pay-off areas.
- Increase coordination between local and state law enforcement agencies in planning, execution, and analysis of border security operations.

### **Program Requirements**

# Regional Joint Operations Intelligence Center (JOIC) Coordination

Grantees must agree to perform the following activities:

- Participate in operational planning and coordination meetings, information/intelligence sharing meetings, and After Action Reviews (AARs) established by the Texas Department of Public Safety's (DPS) Joint Operations and Intelligence Centers (JOICs).
- Participate weekly on the JOIC Unified Command conference calls or meetings as required by the JOIC.
- Report significant border-related events that occur during each 24-hour period.
- Conduct enhanced law enforcement patrolling activities
- Recognize and react to information/intelligence to adjust times and locations of enhanced patrol activities.
- Identify significant border-related trends or areas of interest that may be developed into focus areas for future operations.
- Conduct surveillance, interdictions, investigations, and collect and disseminate information within its jurisdiction or cross-jurisdiction lines as required.
- Conduct Steady State operations and respond to calls for service.
- Integrate air, ground, marine, and remote operations.

### **Border Incident Assessment Report (BIAR) Submission**

Grantees must agree to submit BIAR reports to the JOIC:

The grantee shall report all border-related events to the JOIC using the BIAR. BIAR reporting shall include events that occur during Enhanced Operation activities AND events that occur during Steady State activities.

Enhanced (Surge) Operations originate out of the use of Operation Lone Star funds when the local agency chooses to increase the hours of patrol or the number of investigative bodies. Steady State activities are defined as normal patrol or investigative duties that do not use grant funds, but directly impact the overall Operation Lone Star mission, such as organized crime arrests, terroristic activities, weapons trafficking arrests, kidnappings, human trafficking, human smuggling, home invasions with a border or organized crime nexus, illegal immigration, border-related murders, gang-related murders, vehicle thefts, or drug trafficking.

The BIAR is the primary incident and information-reporting tool for the grantee in Operation Lone Star activities. The grantee shall ensure all BIARs conform to the respective standards outlined by the JOIC and are submitted within 24 hours of the end of shift and/or the timeframes established by the JOIC.

#### 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:

### **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 required by Section 2054.5191 of the Texas Government Code are ineligible for OOG grant funds until the second anniversary of the date the local government is determined ineligible. Government entities must annually certify their compliance with the training requirements using the Cybersecurity Training Certification for State and Local Governments. A copy of the Training Certification must be uploaded to your eGrants application. For more information or to access available training programs, visit the Texas Department of Information Resources Statewide Cybersecurity Awareness Training page.

### **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 Assualt/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.

# 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 <u>CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances Form</u> 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, 2024 or the end of the grant period, whichever is later.

### **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.

X I certify to all of the application content and requirements.

### **Project Summary:**

Briefly summarize the project, including proposed activities and intended impact.

Transnational criminal organizations have established smuggling networks and travel routes well into the interior of Texas and the United States. Border crimes and transnational criminal organizations are no longer a problem exclusive to border counties in this border state. To quote Governor Abbott, "Every county is a border county" and this is certainly the case with San Jacinto County and our surrounding neighbors. As illicit activity and smuggling efforts of transnational criminal organizations have increased in recent years at the border, suburban and rural counties have suffered a surge in illegal activity and Cartel presence. The impact to counties geographically close to large cities, such as the Greater Houston Area which also contain major state and interstate highways such as US 59/IH 69 (which connects the border to Canada via the Heartland of America) is exponentially worse. Border crime is a statewide problem. The San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office has well established working relationships with various federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to disrupt the illicit flow of humans and narcotics into the United States. However, the volume of criminal activity in our county and surrounding counties has exceeded our capabilities at the local level creating our current crisis. The creation of a border crimes enforcement unit / task force led by the San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office to conduct criminal interdiction patrols and to conduct proactive investigations of transnational criminal organizations and border crimes in and around San Jacinto County will mitigate the crisis within this county and in surrounding counties while also contributing greatly to the overall safety of residents in Texas and the United States.

### **Problem Statement:**

Provide a detailed account of the issues, threats or hazards that your project will target. For federal Homeland Security Grants, include specific references to the regional or state *Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)*, as applicable.

Although the San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office works in partnership with federal, state, and other local law enforcement agencies, the resources routinely available to combat the influx of criminal activity as a result of the open border have been overwhelmed. The San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office on an average shift has two (2) patrol deputies on duty and never more than three (3) patrol deputies on duty. These deputies cover 628 square miles of jurisdiction with a resident population of between 28,348 (2022 US Census Bureau) and 35,000 when including undocumented residents. With an average call volume of approximately 164,824 calls per year, day to day demands for routine law enforcement calls for service prevent the adequate proactive patrolling of the county as a whole. Specifically impacted are the patrolling of US 59/IH 69, or the primary trafficking route between Houston and the Heartland of the United States, as well as SH 190 which provides access from US 59/IH 69 to IH 45 (West) and the Southeast United States (East) just North of the Greater Houston Area. San Jacinto County has 14 miles of US 59/IH 69 and 13 miles of SH 190. Our local partners to the North (Polk County) and to the South (Liberty County and Montgomery County) also have significant portions of US 59/IH 69 running through their jurisdictions which total more than 70 miles of interstate highway. The transnational criminal organizations and their lower-level street/prison gang co-conspirators know that rural and suburban law enforcement lacks the resources and the overall law enforcement presence which exists in large metropolitan cities and counties (e.g. Houston/Harris County). As such they have established a known presence in counties like San Jacinto County and our neighboring counties to the North, South, and East. There are at least five (5) Major Mexican Cartels having an identified presence in San Jacinto County. Specifically, the Jalisco New Generation Cartel, the Gulf Cartel, the Los Zetas Cartel, the Sinaloa Cartel, and the La Familia Michoacan Cartel. • January 2024: Current intelligence: indicates a strong Jalisco New Generation presence in the Oak Forest Subdivision which is purported to control several organized criminal enterprises; a game fowl supply store with a large Santa Muerte Idol in the store is located in Cleveland, Liberty County, Texas just a few miles from the San Jacinto County line. • December 2023: San Jacinto County Sheriff's Patrol Units make several significant drug seizures along US-59/IH-69 including a two (2) kilogram seizure of ice methamphetamine from a traffic stop of a Mexican National; Five (5) ounces of Hydroponic Marijuana from a traffic stop; Five (5) firearms (including one stolen) and four (4) ounces of methamphetamine from a traffic stop conducted at the San Jacinto/Polk County line. • October 2023: A large cockfighting ring is uncovered when Deputies arrived on scene and found hundreds of attendees and participants who fled into the surrounding woods. Fifteen (15) subjects were arrested. Several firearms, cocaine, and marijuana was seized from vehicles owned by UDA's and approximately ninety-six (96) game fowl were seized. Evidence on scene indicates that attendees and/or participants were UDA's from Mexico and Central/South America as well as possible Cartel involvement. • May 2023: A large indoor marijuana grow was discovered with over 800 pounds of marijuana seized from the Trails End area of San Jacinto County. The grow was managed by 2 Cuban UDA's, Recent intelligence indicates that the Cartels have been conducting illicit grow operations in the US to make drug smuggling/distribution easier. • April 2023: Mass shooting event in Trails End area of San Jacinto County, Five (5) murder victims (Four (4) from Honduras and UDA). Murder suspect from Sinaloa Mexico (UDA and criminal alien) who is also a suspected Sinaloa Cartel hit man and an adherent of the Santa Muerte Death Cult, common among Cartels and their associates. • March 2022: A large cock fighting operation/ drug smuggling operation discovered by a patrol deputy resulted in a massive seizure of automobiles, roosters, buildings and equipment used to further the enterprise. The operation was managed by Vietnamese nationals with labor and security provided by Gulf Cartel members. • January

2021: A very large methamphetamine conversion "lab" is seized with 213+ lbs. of methamphetamine seized and 3 Mexican UDA's arrested in the Trails End area of San Jacinto County. Evidence indicated this seizure was linked to the La Familia Michoacana Cartel. • October 2017: A Mexican UDA is murdered by another Mexican UDA in the Oak Forest Subdivision in San Jacinto County. The alleged shooter is a suspected assassin for an unidentified Mexican Cartel.

## **Existing Capability Levels:**

Describe the existing capability levels, including resources that are currently in place to support this project prior to the use of grant funds.

The San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office currently has thirty-one (31) full-time law enforcement officers and vehicles, twenty-one (21) are assigned to patrol duties, six (6) are assigned as criminal investigators. The remaining four (4) are supervisors and/or executive management to include the elected Sheriff. As previously stated, on average there are two (2) patrol deputies on duty and never more than three (3) patrol deputies on duty each shift for the entire county. The Patrol Deputies and Detectives remain busy answering calls for service and working investigations of crimes that have already occurred in San Jacinto County. Patrol Deputies simply have no time for proactive interdiction or investigation. San Jacinto County currently lacks the funding to pay the costs associated with increased staffing (e.g. salaries, equipment, vehicles, and/or overtime) to assign Officers to work full-time interdiction patrols and/or proactive investigations of border related crimes such as drug trafficking, human smuggling, human trafficking, money laundering, and/or weapons trafficking on a full-time basis.

### **Capability Gaps:**

Describe the capability gaps which will be addressed by the project. For federal Homeland Security Grants, include specific references to the regional or statewide State Preparedness Report (SPR).

San Jacinto County currently lacks the funds to support a dedicated enforcement unit to interdict and/or investigate transnational criminal organizations and/or border related crimes including but not limited to drug smuggling, human smuggling, weapons smuggling, human trafficking, and money laundering. This project will fund and cover the cost for the equipment, salaries, overtime, and other associated expenses necessary to establish a dedicated border crimes enforcement unit / task force. Additionally, the San Jacinto County Sheriff's Department currently has no personnel dedicated to border crimes enforcement or criminal intelligence collection/dissemination nor does it possess the funding for such a position or unit. This project, in addition to significantly increasing the enforcement capabilities regarding border related crimes will also increase the collection and dissemination of information and intelligence regarding criminal organizations between local, state, and federal partners.

### **Impact Statement:**

Describe the project goals/objectives and how this project will maintain capabilities or reduce capability gaps. By providing criminal interdiction patrols and proactive investigations of transnational criminal organizations and border related crimes (e.g. drug trafficking, human smuggling, human trafficking, money laundering, and weapons trafficking) on a full-time basis on the US 59 / IH 69 corridor in San Jacinto County and the surrounding areas in conjunction with our local partner agencies (Harris, Montgomery, Liberty, and Polk Counties) will help to reduce the flow of illicit drugs and human smuggling/trafficking in and through San Jacinto county. Reducing these criminal activities and aiding in statewide efforts to disrupt and dismantle transnational criminal organizations (e.g. Mexican Cartels and similar organizations) will create a safer environment for the law-abiding citizens living in and traveling through San Jacinto County. The Operation Lone Star (OLS) Grant will provide the San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office with the financial resources needed to establish a specialized law enforcement unit tasked specifically with conducting criminal interdiction patrols and proactive investigations of border related crimes on the US 59/IH 69 corridor and SH 190 in San Jacinto County and surrounding areas in cooperation with our local partner agencies. Conducting these activities in San Jacinto County is critical due to our proximity to the primary hub city (Houston) for trafficking/smuggling of drugs, people, money, and guns. Additionally, US 59/IH 69 is the primary smuggling pipeline for both contraband and human victims moving from the Houston hub and transported North to major metropolitan areas in the Midwest states of the United States (from Minnesota to the West and Ohio, Tennessee, and Kentucky to the East). Additionally, US 59 / IH 69 is the only major highway with a direct link to Bush Intercontinental Airport Houston (Bush IAH) which provides international and domestic service. Bush IAH is the 15th busiest airport in the United States, and the busiest in Texas for international passenger traffic, second busiest for overall passenger traffic. Bush IAH is located twenty-three (23) miles North of downtown Houston, thirty-four (34) miles from the San Jacinto County line and less than ten (10) miles from our local partners in Montgomery County. It is important to note that as Bush IAH is an international airport providing a port of entry into the United States and is serviced by both US Customs and Border Protection and the Transportation Security Administration.

### **Homeland Security Priority Actions:**

Identify the Texas Homeland Security Priority Action most closely aligned with this project. Each Priority Action is linked with an *Objective from the Texas Homeland Security Strategic Plan (HSSP)*. List the Priority Action by number and text (e.g. 1.2.3 Expand and enhance the network of human sources that can provide detailed and relevant information on known or suspected terrorist and criminal enterprises.)

1.3.1 In conjunction with federal agencies, conduct unified state and local law enforcement operations to deny the use of the Texas border region to terrorists and criminal organizations, particularly between the ports of entry. 1.3.2 Employ appropriate technology to detect and monitor potential threats in the border region, particularly remote areas, and ensure shared situational awareness among law enforcement partner organizations. 1.3.3 Conduct coordinated planning, training, and exercises to ensure preparedness for high-risk border scenarios including cross-border violence and mass migrations. 1.4.1 Conduct public outreach activities to raise public awareness and understanding of the importance of

suspicious activity reporting and methods of reporting, including the iWatch Texas system. 1.4.2 Ensure statewide standardization and integration of processes and standards for receipt, analysis, and sharing of suspicious activity reports.

### **Target Group:**

Identify the target group and population expected to benefit from this project.

The hard working and law-abiding citizens of San Jacinto County and surrounding counties, as well as travelers passing through this portion of East Texas along the US 59 / IH 69 corridor will benefit from this project through a gradual and sustained increase in enforcement and prosecution of border-related crimes in San Jacinto County and the surrounding area.

### Long-Term Approach:

Describe how the applicant agency will maintain the capabilities supported by this project without additional federal or state funds. If sustainment is dependent upon federal or state grants, describe the ongoing need for future grants, as applicable.

San Jacinto county is a small county with very limited resources. The Operation Lone Star Grant will provide the San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office with the financial resources needed to deploy proactive criminal interdiction patrols to search for and intercept border-related criminal activity (e.g. human smuggling, human trafficking, narcotics smuggling, weapons trafficking, and money laundering) along a stretch of US 59 /IH 69 North of Houston which is the primary route North from the RGV to Houston, and from Houston North to the Midwestern States of the United States. Additionally, this unit will conduct proactive investigations of these same border related crimes in our county and the surrounding area in cooperation with our local partner agencies. Montgomery County, Liberty County, Walker County, Polk County, Waller County, Harris County, Galveston County, and the City of Houston as well as Goliad County, Zapata County, Kinney County, Terrell County, and Medina County have all agreed to enter into an MOU for mutual assistance/joint enforcement efforts with San Jacinto County in support of this border-related criminal enforcement effort. San Jacinto County's financial position does not allow for the creation or long-term support of these positions and unit without funding from the Operation Lone Star (OLS) grants.

### **Project Activities Information**

#### Introduction

This section contains questions about your project. It is very important for applicants to review their funding announcement for guidance on how to fill out this section. Unless otherwise specified, answers should be about the EXPECTED activities to occur during the project period.

**Selected Project Activities:** 

ACTIVITY	PERCENTAGE:	DESCRIPTION
Operation Lone Star - Law Enforcement	100.00	The San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office will utilize the Operation Lone Star Grant funding to establish and operate a border crimes enforcement unit / task force in San Jacinto County and surrounding areas in cooperation with participating local partners (Montgomery County, Liberty County, Walker County, Polk County, Waller County, Harris County, Galveston County, and the City of Houston ) to increase criminal interdiction and pro-active investigations of border related crimes ( such as drug trafficking, human smuggling, human trafficking, weapons trafficking, and money laundering) on the US 59 / IH 69 corridor and other major state highways connecting US 59 / IH 69 to IH 45 in San Jacinto and local partner counties. Additionally, as needed and when called upon the San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office border crimes enforcement unit/task force will assist Goliad, Zapata, Kinney, Terrell, and Medina Counties when border related crimes surge within their respective jurisdictions. The San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office and our local partner agencies will NOT enforce violations of US Code Title 8 (US Immigration Law). The San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office and our local partner agencies will enforce state law, local ordinances, and other applicable federal law violations (Such as Title 18 and 21) against violators in the target area to help reduce criminal activity with any nexus to the Texas/Mexico or US/Mexico border. The San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office and our local partners will provide both uniformed Deputies/Officers in marked vehicles to conduct criminal interdiction patrols and both uniformed and plain-clothed Deputies/Officers in unmarked units to conduct pro-active overt and covert investigations of criminal activity with any nexus to the border in the target area of San Jacinto County and the surrounding areas in conjunction with our local partner agencies.

### **Measures Information**

# **Objective Output Measures**

-	OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
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# Objective Outcome Measures

OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Equipment or technology: Individual/operators equipped	11
Number of adult apprehensions (transferred to USBP custody) made by grant-funded peace officers	50
Number of arrests (felony) made by grant- funded officers supporting the border initiative.	100
Number of arrests (misdemeanor) made by grant-funded officers supporting the border initiative.	150
Number of minor/juvenile apprehensions (transferred to USBP custody) made by grant-funded peace officers	10
Number of weapons seized by grant-funded officers supporting the border initiative.	50
Value of all forfeitures (cash and other assets) attributed to grant-funded officers supporting the border initiative.	150000

# Custom Output Measures

CUSTOM OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Number of adult human smugglers arrested	10
Number of juvenile human smugglers arrested	2
Number of human traffickers arrested	20
Number of Juvenile/Child trafficking victims recovered	20
Number of adult trafficking victims recovered	40

### Custom Outcome Measures

CUSTOM OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Number of traffic stops conducted by grant- funded officers supporting OLS	2000
Number of reports submitted - BIARS to a Regional DPS-JOIC (for LBSP) or DARs to USPB/ICE (for OPSG)	50
Number of Major (Tier 1 and Tier 2) gangs targeted in the border initiative (ABT, Tango Blast, MS-13, Crips, Bandidos and Brothers East)	6
Number of major cartels targeted in the border initiative (Jalisco NG, Gulf, Zetas, Sinaloa and LFM)	5
Number of stolen Motor Vehicles Recovered by grant-funded officers supporting OLS	25

### **Resolution from Governing Body**

Applications from nonprofit corporations, local units of governments, and other political subdivisions must include a <u>resolution</u> that contains the following:

- 1. Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to the Public Safety Office (PSO) that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;
- 2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;
- 3. A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update the PSO should the official change during the grant period.); and
- 4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to PSO.

Upon approval from your agency's governing body, upload the <u>approved</u> resolution to eGrants by clicking on the **Upload Files** tab and following the instructions on *Uploading eGrants Files*.

### **Contract Compliance**

Will PSO grant funds be used to support any contracts for professional services?

Select the appropriate response:

\_ Yes

X No

For applicant agencies that selected **Yes** above, describe how you will monitor the activities of the sub-contractor(s) for compliance with the contract provisions (including equipment purchases), deliverables, and all applicable statutes, rules, regulations, and guidelines governing this project.

Enter a description for monitoring contract compliance:

### Lobbying

For applicant agencies requesting grant funds in excess of \$100,000, have any federally appropriated funds been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant loan, or cooperative agreement?

Select the appropriate response:

Yes

X No

\_ N/A

For applicant agencies that selected either No or N/A above, have any non-federal funds been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress in connection with this federal contract, loan, or cooperative agreement?

Select the appropriate response:

Yes

X No

\_ N/A

### **Fiscal Year**

Provide the begin and end date for the applicant agency's fiscal year (e.g., 09/01/20xx to 08/31/20xx).

Enter the Begin Date [mm/dd/yyyy]:

9/1/2024

Enter the End Date [mm/dd/yyyy]:

8/31/2025

### **Sources of Financial Support**

Each applicant must provide the amount of grant funds expended during the most recently completed fiscal year for the following sources:

Enter the amount (in Whole Dollars \$) of Federal Grant Funds expended:

Enter the amount (in Whole Dollars \$) of State Grant Funds expended:

### Single Audit

Applicants who expend less than \$750,000 in federal grant funding or less than \$750,000 in state grant funding are exempt from the Single Audit Act and cannot charge audit costs to a PSO grant. However, PSO may require a limited scope audit as defined in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements.

Has the applicant agency expended federal grant funding of \$750,000 or more, or state grant funding of \$750,000 or more during the most recently completed fiscal year?

Select the appropriate response:

\_ Yes **X** No

Applicant agencies that selected Yes above, provide the date of your organization's last annual single audit, performed by an independent auditor in accordance with the State of Texas Single Audit Circular; or CFR Part 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements.

Enter the date of your last annual single audit:

### **Debarment**

Each applicant agency will certify that it and its principals (as defined in 2 CFR Part 180.995):

Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial
of Federal benefits by a State or Federal Court, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by
any federal department or agency;

 Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; or

 Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in the above bullet; and have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local)

terminated for cause or default.

Select the appropriate	response
X I Certify	•
_ Unable to Certify	

If you selected **Unable to Certify** above, please provide an explanation as to why the applicant agency cannot certify the statements.

### **Fiscal Capability Information**

## **Section 1: Organizational Information**

\*\*\* FOR PROFIT CORPORATIONS ONLY \*\*\*

Enter the following values in order to submit the application Enter the Year in which the Corporation was Founded: 0

Enter the Date that the IRS Letter Granted 501(c)(3) Tax Exemption Status: 01/01/1900

Enter the Employer Identification Number Assigned by the IRS: 0
Enter the Charter Number assigned by the Texas Secretary of State: 0

Enter the Year in which the Corporation was Founded:

Enter the Date that the IRS Letter Granted 501(c)(3) Tax Exemption Status:

Enter the Employer Identification Number Assigned by the IRS:

Enter the Charter Number assigned by the Texas Secretary of State:

### **Section 2: Accounting System**

Select the appropriate response:

\_ Yes \_ No

The grantee organization must incorporate an accounting system that will track direct and indirect costs for the organization (general ledger) as well as direct and indirect costs by project (project ledger). The grantee must establish a time and effort system to track personnel costs by project. This should be reported on an hourly basis, or in increments of an hour.

Is there a list of your organization's accounts identified by a specific number (i.e., a general ledger of accounts)?

Select the appropriate response:YesNo
Does the accounting system include a project ledger to record expenditures for each Program by required budget cost categories?
Select the appropriate response: _ Yes _ No
Is there a timekeeping system that allows for grant personnel to identify activity and requires signatures the employee and his or her supervisor?

If you answered 'No' to any question above in the Accounting System section, in the space provided below explain what action will be taken to ensure accountability.

Enter your explanation:

\_ No

### **Section 3: Financial Capability**

Grant agencies should prepare annual financial statements. At a minimum, current internal balance sheet and income statements are required. A balance sheet is a statement of financial position for a grant agency disclosing assets, liabilities, and retained earnings at a given point in time. An income statement is a summary of revenue and expenses for a grant agency during a fiscal year.

has the grant agency undergone an independent audit?
Select the appropriate response: _ Yes _ No
Does the organization prepare financial statements at least annually?
Select the appropriate response: _ Yes _ No
According to the organization's most recent Audit or Balance Sheet, are the current total assets greater than the liabilities?
Select the appropriate response: _ Yes _ No
If you selected 'No' to any question above under the Financial Capability section, in the space provided below explain what action will be taken to ensure accountability.
Enter your explanation:
Section 4: Budgetary Controls
Grant agencies should establish a system to track expenditures against budget and / or funded amounts. Are there budgetary controls in effect (e.g., comparison of budget with actual expenditures on a monthly basis) to include drawing down grant funds in excess of:
a) Total funds authorized on the Statement of Grant Award? Yes No
<ul> <li>b) Total funds available for any budget category as stipulated on the Statement of Grant Award?</li> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ul>
If you selected 'No' to any question above under the Budgetary Controls section, in the space provided below please explain what action will be taken to ensure accountability.
Enter your explanation: Section 5: Internal Controls
Grant agencies must safeguard cash receipts, disbursements, and ensure a segregation of duties exist. For example, one person should not have authorization to sign checks and make deposits.  Are accounting entries supported by appropriate documentation (e.g., purchase orders, vouchers, receipts, invoices)?
Select the appropriate response: _ Yes _ No
Is there separation of responsibility in the receipt, payment, and recording of costs?
Select the appropriate response: _ Yes

If you selected 'No' to any question above under the Internal Controls section, in the space provided below please explain what action will be taken to ensure accountability.

Enter your explanation:

# Budget Details Information Budget Information by Budget Line Item:

CATEGORY	SUB CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	OOG	CASH MATCH	IN- KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL	UNIT/%
Personnel	Attorney	One of One Part Time Special Prosecutor assigned	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	100
Personnel	Certified Peace Officer - Sheriff's Office	OLS Task Force Commander	\$68,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$68,000.00	100
Personnel	Certified Peace Officer - Sheriff's Office	Lt./Investigator	\$63,801.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$63,801.85	100
Personnel	Certified Peace Officer - Sheriff's Office	First of Five Deputies assigned	\$59,390.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59,390.30	100
Personnel	Certified Peace Officer - Sheriff's Office	Second of Five Deputies assigned	\$59,390.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59,390.30	100
Personnel	Certified Peace Officer - Sheriff's Office	Third of Five Deputies Assigned	\$59,390.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59,390.30	100
Personnel	Certified Peace Officer - Sheriff's Office	Fourth of Five Deputies assigned	\$59,390.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59,390.30	100
Personnel	Certified Peace Officer - Sheriff's Office	Fifth of Five Deputies assigned	\$59,390.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59,390.30	100
Personnel	Analyst (e.g., crime, crime scene investigators, forensic, crime laboratory, etc.)	One of One Crime Analyst assigned	\$49,325.51	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$49,325.51	100
Personnel	Overtime for All Peace Officers	Overtime for grant supported Peace Officers	\$197,175.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$197,175.00	100

Travel and Training	In-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel	Operational expenses/travel reimbursement for OLS Operations/border crimes enforcement Investigations conducted outside San Jacinto County or outside partner agency counties (Montgomery, Liberty and Polk) in support of OLS Objectives in counties that request help or do not have the resources to combat the increase in border related criminal activities.	\$22,254.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22,254.00	0
Travel and Training	In-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel	Training and Travel for six (6) Deputies and one (1) Crime Analyst all grant funded, with perdiem and/or training registration costs	\$26,402.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$26,402.00	0
Equipment	Laptop System and Accessories	Ten (10) rugged laptop computers with docking stations, monitors and accessories (including tech support) @ \$3,705/unit	\$37,050.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$37,050.00	100
Equipment	Specialized Computer Software	Vigilant License Plate reader subscription Data access for OLS investigations related to Smuggling/Trafficking.	\$8,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00	100
Equipment	Equipment / Accessories for Law Enforcement Vehicle (purchased separately from vehicle)	Nine (9) vault storage boxes for OLS units to help operations/investigations.	\$44,760.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$44,760.00	100
Equipment	Equipment / Accessories for Law Enforcement Vehicle (purchased separately from vehicle)	Nine (9) push bumpers/grill guards and installation kits	\$19,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$19,500.00	100
Equipment	Equipment / Accessories for Law Enforcement Vehicle (purchased	Complete law enforcement equipment package (e.g. emergency lights, siren, loudspeaker/PA system, police radio, security	\$67,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$67,000.00	100

	separately from vehicle)	cage) for six (6) OLS grant funded Deputy vehicles and for (3) OLS grant funded vehicles for use by non-OLS grant funded Deputies/Officers assigned to work OLS/border crime task force duties by partner agencies. Estimated @ \$7,444/unit.						
Equipment	Equipment / Accessories for Law Enforcement Vehicle (purchased separately from vehicle)	K-9 safety equipment and case for one vehicle. One (1) K-9 cage, door release, "hot dog" safety system, etc.	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	100
Equipment	Police / Sheriff Department Vehicle (with no law enforcement equipment installed)	One (1) San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office four door 4x4 pickup truck	\$65,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$65,000.00	100
Equipment	Police / Sheriff Department Vehicle (with no law enforcement equipment installed)	Eight (8) San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office police package SUV's	\$520,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$520,000.00	100
Equipment	Police / Sheriff Department Vehicle (with no law enforcement equipment installed)	Two (2) leased unmarked "civilian" vehicles to be utilized for proactive, covert OLS/border crimes related investigations (e.g. surveillance, undercover, etc.) @ \$850/month per unit for 12 months.	\$20,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,400.00	100
Equipment	Bulletproof Vest	Seven (7) Level IIIA Bullet resistant tactical vests and accessories for OLS grant funded Deputies and three (3) Level III bullet resistant tactical vests and accessories for non-OLS grant funded Deputies/Officers assigned to work OLS/border crimes enforcement task force	\$15,476.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,476.00	100

		duties. Total of ten (10) vests with accessories, seven (7) @ \$1398.00/unit and three (3) @ \$800/unit.						
Equipment	Radio and Accessories	Ten (10) police band handheld radios for use by OLS grant funded Deputies and other officers/deputies working OLS/border crimes task force duties @ \$3500/unit.	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,000.00	100
Equipment	Surveillance Equipment and Accessories	Covert cameras and required accessories for OLS/border crime proactive investigations. Four (4) key fob cameras @ \$295/unit, one (1) "hotel" room kit @ \$1,995 per unit, one (1) Alpha Vape DVR camera @ \$1,995/unit, one (1) micro button camera kit @ \$6,085/unit.	\$11,210.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,210.00	100
Equipment	Receiver / Transmitter Unit	Covert audio recorder/transmitter, repeater, receiver and required accessories for OLS/border crimes proactive investigations. Two (2) transmitters, one repeater, one receiver and associated accessories.	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	100
Equipment	Global Positioning System (GPS) Unit and Accessories	Three (3) GPS trackers with software and maintenance	\$4,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,500.00	100
Equipment	License Plate Reader	One (1) Lenoptik ALPR Rapid deployment trailer w/ software	\$95,353.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$95,353.00	100
Equipment	Specialty Camera and Accessories (e.g., video observation, pole cams, towers, etc.)	Body Camera Software maintenance, purchase, repair/replacements of body cameras and accessories	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	100
Equipment	Specialty Camera and Accessories (e.g., video observation,	Ten (10) body worn cameras and accessories	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	100

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Equipment	Thermal Imaging Equipment	Three (3) thermal imagers and accessories for OLS	\$20,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,400.00	10
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Costs for Space (lease or rental)	Leasing of office space for Sheriff's OLS Task Force. \$2,500/month for 12 months	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30,000.00	and the second s
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Office Supplies (e.g., paper, postage, calculator)	Office supplies which include but are not limited to Printers, electronics, fac and other office related supplies	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	(
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Project Supplies (e.g., binocular, battery, flexicuff, drug testing kit)	Imprest funds for purchase of evidence in proactive investigations (e.g. drugs, weapons, stolen property, etc) during OLS/border crime task force investigations to prove up criminal offenses for prosecution purposes in state or federal court.	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	C
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Project Supplies (e.g., binocular, battery, flexicuff, drug testing kit)	LE Uniforms for OLS grant funded Deputies, drug detection kits, flexicuffs and other related accessories.	\$15,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,500.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Project Supplies (e.g., binocular, battery, flexicuff, drug testing kit)	Uniforms for OLS grant funded officers assigned to OLS/border crime task force.	\$10,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,500.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Canine Supplies (e.g., food, kenneling, vitamin supplement, cleaning product)	Dual Purpose (narcotics detection/tracking) trained police K-9 and associated training and handling certification for handler.	\$17,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,000.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Canine Supplies (e.g., food, kenneling, vitamin supplement,	K-9 supplies, vet care, medications/vaccinations and feed.	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00	0

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Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Photographic Equipment and Accessories (\$5,000 or less per unit)	One (1) multi-function large capacity color printer leased for \$240/month and two desktop multi-function color printers for OLS grant funded Officers for \$100/unit.	\$3,800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,800.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Electric, Gas, and/or Water / Wastewater	Electric, Gas and Water for leased space for 12 months	\$10,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,500.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Vehicle Operating Cost (e.g., fuel, lubricants, maintenance, storage)	Vehicle Operation Cost for fuel and maintenance for non-OLS funded Deputies/Officers working/assigned to OLS/border crime investigations.	\$14,847.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,847.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Vehicle Operating Cost (e.g., fuel, lubricants, maintenance, storage)	Vehicle Operation Cost for fuel and maintenance expense for OLS Grant Deputies	\$66,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$66,000.00	0

## **Source of Match Information**

## **Detail Source of Match/GPI:**

DESCRIPTION	MATCH TYPE	AMOUNT

# Summary Source of Match/GPI:

Section and sections	<b>GPI State Share</b>	<b>GPI Federal Share</b>	In Kind	Cash Match	Total Report
-	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

# **Budget Summary Information**

# **Budget Summary Information by Budget Category:**

CATEGORY	OOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL
Equipment	\$1,012,649.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,012,649.00

Personnel *	\$725,253.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$725,253.86
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	\$235,147.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$235,147.00
Travel and Training	\$48,656.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$48,656.00

# **Budget Grand Total Information:**

TOTAL	GPI	IN-KIND MATCH	CASH MATCH	OOG
\$2,021,705.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,021,705.86

# **Condition Of Fundings Information**

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Condition of Funding / Project Requirement	<b>Date Created</b>	<b>Date Met</b>	<b>Hold Funds</b>	Hold Line Item Funds	-

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