



MEMORANDUM

To: Galveston County Commissioners' Court
From: Betsy Thomas, Grants Administrator
Court Date: March 3, 2025
RE: Sheriff's Department
FY 2025/2026 Operation Lone Star Grant Application

BACKGROUND

The Office of the Governor -Homeland Security Division provides grant funds for local projects that support Operation Lone Star and enhance interagency border security operations including facilitation of directed actions to deter and interdict criminal activity and detain non-citizen inmates.

SUMMARY

Galveston County has provided support services to the counties on the Rio Grande border in their efforts to secure the border since September of 2021. This grant project endeavors to continue financial support from the State for those activities in FY 2025/2026.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Professional Services requests the Court consider approval to submit the FY 2025/2026 Operation Lone Star Grant application to the Office of the Governor's Public Safety Office - Homeland Security Division and authorize the County Judge to sign the supporting resolution.

ATTACHMENTS FOR WET SIGNATURE

- ☐ FY 2025/2026 Operation Lone Star Project supporting resolution

Agency Name: Galveston County

Grant/App: 4371204 **Start Date:** 9/1/2025 **End Date:** 8/31/2026

Project Title: Operation Lone Star - FY 2026

Status: Application Pending Submission

Eligibility Information

Your organization's Texas Payee/Taxpayer ID Number:

17460009081010

Application Eligibility Certify:

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Profile Information

Applicant Agency Name: Galveston County

Project Title: Operation Lone Star - FY 2026

Division or Unit to Administer the Project: Sheriff Department

Address Line 1: 722 Moody

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City/State/Zip: Galveston Texas 77550-2317

Start Date: 9/1/2025

End Date: 8/31/2026

Regional Council of Governments (COG) within the Project's Impact Area: Middle Rio Grande Development Council

Headquarter County: Kinney

Counties within Project's Impact

Area: Brewster,Brooks,Crockett,Culberson,Dimmit,Edwards,Frio,Goliad,Gonzales,Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Kimble, Kinney, La Salle, Lavaca, Live

Oak,McMullen,Maverick,Midland,Pecos,Presidio,Real,Terrell,Uvalde,Val Verde, Zapata

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Title: The Honorable

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Position: County Judge

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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): 17460009081010
Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): DRP9KU1PVJN4

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 the number and quality of analytical intelligence products developed at the Unified Command and state levels.
- Increase coordination between local and state law enforcement agencies in planning, execution, and analysis of border security operations.

Jail Operations

- Increase capacity for detention operations and other supporting functions associated with increased criminal activity due to surges in illegal migration.

Human Remains Processing

- Support county medical examiner offices in the humane processing of the remains of undocumented migrants.

Court Administration

- Increase capacity and expediency in the case preparation, magistration, pre/post-adjudication proceedings, and criminal trials of OLS defendants.

Fire/EMS Operations

- Increase capacity for fire/EMS operations in direct support of OLS.

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 follow 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 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.

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).

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.

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.

OLS BORDER PROGRAM: Galveston County endeavors to assist border county law enforcement departments to increase the effectiveness of Operation Lone Star by sending law enforcement officers from the Galveston County Sheriff's Department and County Constable Offices to assist in the program efforts. Galveston County seeks funding to assist with regular and overtime pay as well as support personnel, equipment, supplies, training and travel expenses.

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.

OLS BORDER PROGRAM: Galveston County Commissioners Court declared a local state disaster on June 21, 2021, citing the health and safety of residents from the influx of foreign nationals unlawfully crossing the Texas-Mexico border. After the declaration, Galveston County law enforcement officers and County equipment resources were sent to border counties leaving Galveston County to utilize its own financial and equipment resources to pay for salary/benefits, overtime, travel, equipment and supplies, which put a strain on our county resources. Galveston County has worked at the border through the OLS grant funding for three years with good success.

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.

OLS BORDER PROGRAM: Galveston County currently has the staffing levels to allow for

rotating shifts to be sent to border counties, but it is a financial strain to send equipment and personnel and backfill those positions with overtime-eligible personnel. Although we have the staff numbers, Operation Lone Star effort costs are outside of the normal annual budget resources.

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).

OLS BORDER PROGRAM: Although Galveston County has the personnel and basic equipment levels to provide assistance to Operation Lone Star, we have found through the experience we would not be able to financially sustain this level and need to maintain our equipment and supply inventory to best assist counties on the Texas-Mexico border. With the financial assistance to help cover personnel pay (regular, overtime) as well as travel and supplies, it is possible to see a continued commitment to Operation Lone Star. The addition of vehicles helped to reduce the strain on local fleet resources. The addition of necessary watercraft and UTV vehicles deployed and utilized specifically at the border increased the effectiveness and impact of our personnel while they were serving their rotating shifts on the border.

Impact Statement :

Describe the project goals/objectives and how this project will maintain capabilities or reduce capability gaps.

OLS BORDER PROGRAM: The objective of this project is to provide the resources (financial, equipment, supplies) necessary to allow continued commitment to Operation Lone Star and improve the effectiveness of our personnel while on OLS sites. The grant-funded resources to pay regular and overtime pay for deployed law enforcement on two-week rotations will fill the financial gap and allow for a continued long-term commitment to the program. Assisting with smooth and efficient travel for rotating personnel reduces the strain on law enforcement and increases their effectiveness and time on the ground on OLS locations. Providing for the supply and equipment needs of law enforcement while on site in OLS counties will continue to increase the effectiveness and avoid strain on our local resources, which will increase our ability to commit to a long-term presence in OLS counties.

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.*)

OLS BORDER PROGRAM: 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.

Target Group :

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

OLS BORDER PROGRAM: Operation Lone Star aims to protect not only the residents of the counties along the Texas-Mexico border but may also involve activities to deter criminal activity in our own county that borders the Gulf of Mexico and the Gulf Intercoastal Water Way as well as all Texas residents. The target group for actions of OLS are non-citizen defendants to deter and interdict criminal activity.

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.

OLS BORDER PROGRAM: Galveston County Commissioners Court committed funds to the border crisis in recent years and covered expenses before our initial OLS grant. Although Commissioners Court, the Sheriff and Constables feel a need to commit to Operation Lone Star, sustainability for the future would be a strain on our local budget. Galveston County can foresee a feasible path to continue participation. Continuation would be dependent on consideration of Commissioners Court to fund through local resources.

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	Law Enforcement patrol to assist OLS operation in border counties.

Measures Information**Objective Output Measures**

OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Number of weapons seized by grant-funded officers supporting the border initiative.	1400

Objective Outcome Measures

OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Number of adult apprehensions (transferred to USBP custody) made by grant-funded peace officers	15000

Number of arrests (felony) made by grant-funded officers supporting the border initiative.	2000
Number of arrests (misdemeanor) made by grant-funded officers supporting the border initiative.	3000
Number of minor/juvenile apprehensions (transferred to USBP custody) made by grant-funded peace officers	1400
Value of all forfeitures (cash and other assets) attributed to grant-funded officers supporting the border initiative.	2000

Custom Output Measures

CUSTOM OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
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Custom Outcome Measures

CUSTOM OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
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Resolution from Governing Body

Applications from nonprofit corporations, local units of governments, and other political subdivisions must include a resolution 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 approved 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
☒ 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:

NA

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
☒ 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
☒ 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]:

10/1/2025

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

9/30/2026

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:

15229043

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

1708149

Single Audit

Applicants who expend less than \$1,000,000 in federal grant funding or less than \$1,000,000 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 \$1,000,000 or more, or state grant funding of \$1,000,000 or more during the most recently completed fiscal year?

Select the appropriate response:

☒ Yes
☐ 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:

9/30/2024

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:

☒ 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

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:

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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 by the employee and his or her supervisor?

Select the appropriate response:

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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:

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

b) Total funds available for any budget category as stipulated on the Statement of Grant Award?

☐ Yes
☐ No

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
☐ No

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	IN- KIND MATCH	TOTAL	UNIT/%
Personnel	Certified Peace Officer - Sheriff's Office	REGULAR PAY - Sheriff's Deputies will provide assistance on the Texas/Mexico border. Each deputy working on the border will have an individual line item entered for them with their TCOLE PID, total annual compensation - including annual salary and fringe rate percentage as well as the estimated percentage of their salary paid by the Operation Lone Star Grant.	\$341,250.00	\$0.00	\$341,250.00	10
Personnel	Overtime for All Peace Officers	OLS OVERTIME SHERIFF DEPUTY PAY - Overtime and benefits for Sheriff's Deputies to work in border counties to increase the effectiveness and impact of Operation Loan Star. Sheriff's Deputy overtime rate and benefit rate are based on	\$105,000.00	\$0.00	\$105,000.00	10

		individual rate of pay according to the Galveston County FY 2024 and 2025 adopted budgets and will be adjusted at the time of adoption. Average hourly rate is \$32.09. Average OT rate is \$48.12.				
Personnel	Overtime for All Peace Officers	OLS OVERTIME CONSTABLE DEPUTY PAY - Overtime and benefits for Constable Deputies to work in border counties to increase the effectiveness and impact of Operation Loan Star. Constable Deputy overtime rate and benefit rate are based on individual rate of pay according to the Galveston County FY 2023 and 2024 adopted budgets and will be adjusted at the time of adoption. Average hourly rate is \$32.09. Average OT rate is \$48.12. \$	\$65,625.00	\$0.00	\$65,625.00	10
Contractual and Professional Services	Temporary Personnel-Related Services	MAKE-READY LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT FOR	\$34,882.34	\$0.00	\$34,882.34	0

		REPLACEMENT VEHICLES - Purchase of ONE (1) Make Ready equipment package and installation to include: Cage, Console, Light Control Switch, Siren Control, Push Bar, Front Emergency Lights, Rear Emergency Lights, Light Bar, Radio, Radar, Computer, Docking Station, Printers, & Graphics and window tint at an estimated cost of \$34,882.34 for this vehicle. Vehicle make-ready and Installation services for this one are included in the costs described per vehicle.				
Travel and Training	In-State Incidentals and/or Mileage	OLS LODGING - Hotel accommodations for deputies while serving on rotation in border counties. Ten deputies x \$152.25 in hotel fees x 365 days a year totals \$55,571.25 x 4 deputies.	\$222,285.00	\$0.00	\$222,285.00	0
Travel and Training	In-State Incidentals	OLS PER DIEM - Per Diem for deputies serving	\$67,160.00	\$0.00	\$67,160.00	0

	and/or Mileage	on rotation in border counties at Galveston County rates for FY 2025 as established by Galveston County Travel Policy. Current rate of \$46/day x 4 deputies x 365 days a year totals \$67,160.				
Equipment	Police / Sheriff Department Vehicle (from a single vendor with law enforcement equipment installed)	SUV PATROL VEHICLE – One (1) 2024 F-150 Police Responder 4x4 equipped ONLY with the Law Enforcement Vehicle Suspension and Transmission Package for patrol unit on rotation for the Operation Lone Star program. (Add-on Package [light bar, cage, decals, etc.] added under a separate contractual budget line item in this grant.) Galveston County received two (2) SUV 4x4 Ford Expeditions in the original 2022 OLS grant award and due to the extreme terrain of the border counties, the grant-funded vehicles had	\$54,210.00	\$0.00	\$54,210.00	1

		<p>extensive wear and tear rendering them to be at end-of-useful-life. Galveston County procured and took delivery of two replacement Ford Expeditions. This will be an additional OLS-only vehicle taken to the border county. 4x4 vehicles are necessary for border patrolling duties on and off roadways. Vehicles will be transported with deputies to the border and will only be used 100% of the time for duties associated with Operation Lone Star</p>				
Equipment	<p>Law Enforcement Canine and Accessories (e.g., canine, traveling tote / pad, collar, chain, vest)</p>	<p>OLS JAIL SURVEILLANCE SOFTWARE PACKAGE - LEOTECH Verus software subscription to serve as an investigative tool to provide law enforcement with searchable, automated transcriptions of all authorized inmate phone calls originating from</p>	\$317,648.91	\$0.00	\$317,648.91	1

		within ta correctional facility.				
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Office Supplies (e.g., paper, postage, calculator)	OLS CELL PHONE SERVICE COSTS - cell service for six (6) Android phones to operate as tracking devices for all law enforcement personnel in the field and surrounding area. The app is used by DPS and other agencies and is only available on Android phones. Galveston County uses iPhones for everyday activities. Monthly services fee \$52.50/each phone x 6 phones = \$315 x 12 months = \$3,780.	\$3,780.00	\$0.00	\$3,780.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Project Supplies (e.g., binocular, battery, flexicuff, drug testing kit)	OLS FLEXICUFFS - 3,000 flexicuffs to be utilized in the border county for Operation Lone Star activities.	\$5,407.50	\$0.00	\$5,407.50	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Project Supplies (e.g., binocular, battery, flexicuff, drug testing kit)	OLS UNIFORMS - Uniforms specific to the OLS program will be worn 100% of the time by OLS deputies on the border. Each	\$15,800.00	\$0.00	\$15,800.00	0

		uniform set costs \$158. Total quantity of uniform sets needed over the lifespan of the fiscal year 2025 OLS program is 100. Total cost = \$158 x 100 uniform sets = \$15,800.				
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Vehicle Operating Cost (e.g., fuel, lubricants, maintenance, storage)	<p>OLS VEHICLE FUEL COSTS - Gasoline for OLS vehicles in the border county in the process of Operation Lone Star duties by Galveston County deputies.</p> <p>Galveston County will purchase fuel for OLS vehicles to be utilized by Galveston County deputies in their duties of Operation Lone Star. Two (2) OLS vehicles with 20-gallon tanks to be filled twice a week for 52 weeks a year at an estimated cost of \$3.50/gallon. 2 vehicles x 20-gallon tanks x 2 fill-ups per week x 52 weeks a year at an estimated \$3.50/gallon.</p>	\$8,280.00	\$0.00	\$8,280.00	0

		(2x20x52x3.50 = \$7,280.				
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Vehicle Operating Cost (e.g., fuel, lubricants, maintenance, storage)	OLS VEHICLE MAINTENANCE - Regular maintenance and oil changes for two (2) vehicles both purchased through the Operation Lone Star grant and any other vehicles from Galveston County fleet determined to be necessary to carry-out OLS duties in the border counties. With the high level of use and extreme wear and tear on the vehicles in the rugged terrain, it is estimated maintenance will be necessary three times a year for two (2) units at an estimate of \$200 per unit each service visit. 2 units x 3 times a year x \$200 service = \$1,200	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	0

Source of Match Information

Detail Source of Match/GPI:

DESCRIPTION	MATCH TYPE	AMOUNT
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Summary Source of Match/GPI:

Total Report	Cash Match	In Kind	GPI Federal Share	GPI State Share
\$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
Contractual and Professional Services	\$34,882.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$34,882.34
Equipment	\$371,858.91	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$371,858.91
Personnel	\$511,875.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$511,875.00
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	\$34,467.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$34,467.50
Travel and Training	\$289,445.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$289,445.00

Budget Grand Total Information:

OOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL
\$1,242,528.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,242,528.75

Condition Of Fundings Information

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

WHEREAS, the Galveston County Commissioners Court finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Galveston County, that the **Galveston County Operation Lone Star Support Project** be operated for FY 2025/2026 ; and

WHEREAS, the Galveston County Commissioners Court agrees to provide any applicable matching funds for said project as required by the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division's **Operation Lone Star Grant Program Grant Program** application; and

WHEREAS, the Galveston County Commissioners Court agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, The Galveston County Commissioners Court assures the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

WHEREAS, the Galveston County Commissioners Court designates the Galveston County Judge as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Galveston County Commissioners Court approves submission of the grant application for the **Galveston County Operation Lone Star Support Project** to the Office of the Governor.

Passed and approved this 17th day of February, 2025.


Mark Henry, Galveston County Judge

Dwight D. Sullivan, Galveston County Clerk

Grant Application Number: 4371204

The seal of the Galveston County Commissioners Court is a circular emblem. It features a five-pointed star in the center, surrounded by a wreath. The words "COMMISSIONERS COURT" are inscribed in a circle around the top, and "GALVESTON CO TEXAS" is inscribed around the bottom.
By:  Deputy
Brandy Chapman