



MEMORANDUM

To: Galveston County Commissioners' Court  
From: Betsy Thomas, Grants Administrator  
Court Date: February 3, 2025  
RE: Sheriff Department  
Patrol Division – Overtime for Targeted Patrols  
FY 2026 Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Application

BACKGROUND

The Office of the Governor – Criminal Justice Division administers the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program for projects that are designed to create and foster safer neighborhoods through a sustained reduction in violent crime, including, but not limited to, addressing criminal gangs and felonious possession and use of firearms.

SUMMARY

The Galveston County Sheriff's has identified the Bacliff/San Leon area as high gang and drug-related violent crime areas. This grant project will provide overtime hours for Sheriff's Deputies to operate specific patrol activities in problem-areas.

Patrol teams will include two to three deputies who operate four-hour targeted patrols up to twice a week for one year.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

County Contribution	\$0.00
Criminal Justice Grant	<u>\$40,000.00</u>
Program Total	\$40,000.00



**RECOMMENDATIONS**

Professional Services requests the Court consider approval to submit the FY 2026 Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant application to the Office of the Governor – Criminal Justice Division and authorize the County Judge to sign the supporting resolution.

**ATTACHMENTS FOR WET SIGNATURE**

- FY 2026 Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Supporting Resolution