



MEMORANDUM

To: Galveston County Commissioners Court
From: Grants Administration
Court Date: June 22nd, 2026
RE: Office of Emergency Management
Houston Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)

BACKGROUND

Galveston County is eligible for funding under the Houston Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI). The Office of Emergency Management serves as the administrator of these funds for Galveston County. These funds are used to enhance the county's preparedness for all types of emergencies.

The Houston UASI Region requires jurisdictions to submit budgets at the regional level for review and consideration for funding through regional allocations. If approved, UASI budget requests are then submitted as formal applications to the Office of the Governor – Homeland Security Division.

SUMMARY

Galveston County received an award from the Office of the Governor under the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP), Grant No. 2972311, for the Regional Planner project in the amount of \$95,785.78. The grant period is January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, with a liquidation date of March 31, 2027. The award requires no cash match from Galveston County. In order to comply with program requirements and facilitate timely grant administration, the award was accepted through the Office of the Governor's eGrants system. This item is being presented to Commissioners Court for ratification of the award acceptance and all actions taken in connection with the grant.

Regional Planner - This project sustains the Galveston County regional planner and allows continued collaboration and coordination with local jurisdictions, regions, and UASI partners at various state and nationwide conferences and meetings. Sustainment of the UASI planners ensures continued development and maintenance of regional terrorism-related plans through a multi-jurisdictional approach to planning. The planners continue developing and updating regional plans (e.g., the MACC, EPIP, etc.) and continue coordination among jurisdictions regarding planning processes, standards, and technologies. This project includes professional development and training for planners as well as supplies to support planning activities.

THE COUNTY OF GALVESTON



GRANTS DIVISION

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	<u>Grant Match</u>	<u>County Match</u>
Regional Planner	\$95,785.78	\$0.00 (Not Required)

RECOMMENDATIONS

Grants Administration respectfully requests that the Commissioners Court ratify the acceptance of the FY 2025 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Regional Planner grant award from the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division.

ATTACHMENTS FOR WET SIGNATURE

- **NONE**



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

Dear Grantee:

Congratulations on your award! To activate your agency's grant, the Authorized Official must log on to eGrants at <https://eGrants.gov.texas.gov> and go to the 'My Home' tab. In the 'Pending Applications' section, locate the application with a 'Current Status' of "Pending AO Acceptance of Award". Click on the grant number and proceed to the 'Accept Award' tab. From this tab, click on the 'Accept' button. Grants must be accepted within 45 calendar days of the date the award was issued.

Be sure to review the Grantee Conditions and Responsibilities Memo for a quick overview of general items every grantee should be aware of. You can also find more detailed information on the eGrants website including helpful resources, links, and tools needed to properly administer Public Safety Office grants. The Guide to Grants, also on the website, contains answers to questions frequently asked by grantees.

If you have any questions regarding this award, feel free to contact your grant manager, whose name is referenced in the Statement of Grant Award or you may always contact our office via the eGrants Help Desk at eGrants@gov.texas.gov.

We look forward to working with you to ensure the success of your program.

Andrew Friedrichs

Andrew Friedrichs
Executive Director
Public Safety Office

Statement of Grant Award (SOGA)

The Statement of Grant Award is the official notice of award from the Office of the Governor (OOG). This Grant Agreement and all terms, conditions, provisions and obligations set forth herein shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and assigns and all other State of Texas agencies and any other agencies, departments, divisions, governmental entities, public corporations, and other entities which shall be successors to each of the Parties or which shall succeed to or become obligated to perform or become bound by any of the covenants, agreements or obligations hereunder of each of the Parties hereto.

The approved project narrative and budget for this award are reflected in eGrants on the 'Narrative' and 'Budget/Details' tabs. By accepting the Grant Award in eGrants, the Grantee agrees to strictly comply with the requirements and obligations of this Grant Agreement including any and all applicable federal and state statutes, regulations, policies, guidelines and requirements. In instances where conflicting requirements apply to a Grantee, the more restrictive requirement applies.

The Grant Agreement includes the Statement of Grant Award; the OOG Grantee Conditions and Responsibilities; the Grant Application in eGrants; and the other identified documents in the Grant Application and Grant Award, including but not limited to: 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; Chapter 783 of the Texas Government Code, Title 34, Part 1, Chapter 20, Subchapter E, Division 4 of the Texas Administrative Code, and the Texas Grant Management Standards (TxGMS) developed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts; the state Funding Announcement or Solicitation under which the grant application was made, and for federal funding, the Funding Announcement or Solicitation under which the OOG was awarded funds; and any applicable documents referenced in the documents listed above. For grants awarded from the U.S. Department of Justice, the current applicable version of the Department of Justice Grants Financial Guide and any applicable provisions in Title 28 of the CFR apply. For grants awarded from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), all Information Bulletins and Policies published by the FEMA Grants Program Directorate apply. The OOG reserves the right to add additional responsibilities and requirements, with or without advance notice to the Grantee.

By clicking on the 'Accept' button within the 'Accept Award' tab, the Grantee accepts the responsibility for the grant project, agrees and certifies compliance with the requirements outlined in the Grant Agreement, including all provisions incorporated herein, and agrees with the following conditions of grant funding. The grantee's funds will not be released until the grantee has satisfied the requirements of the following Condition(s) of Funding and Other Fund-Specific Requirement(s), if any, cited below:

Grant Number:	2972311	Award Amount:	\$95,785.78
Date Awarded:	6/4/2026	Grantee Cash Match:	\$0.00
Grant Period:	01/01/2026 - 12/31/2026	Grantee In Kind Match:	\$0.00
Liquidation Date:	03/31/2027	Grantee GPI:	\$0.00
Program Fund:	HS-Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)	Total Project Cost:	\$95,785.78
Grantee Name:	Galveston County		
Project Title:	Galveston County - Regional Planner		
Grant Manager:	Samantha Steere		
Unique Entity Identifier (UEI):	DRP9KU1PVJN4		

CFDA:	97.067 - Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)		
Federal Awarding Agency:	U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency		
Federal Award Date:	2/3/2026		
Federal/State Award ID Number:	EMW-2025-SS-05028		
Total Federal Award/State Funds Appropriated:	\$113,187,106.00		
Pass Thru Entity Name:	Texas Office of the Governor – Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD)		
Is the Award R&D:	No		
Federal/State Award	The purpose of the HSGP is to support state and local efforts to prevent terrorism and other catastrophic events and to prepare the Nation for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of		

Description:

the United States. The HSGP provides funding to implement investments that build, sustain, and deliver the 31 core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal (the Goal) of a secure and resilient Nation. The building, sustainment, and delivery of these core capabilities are not exclusive to any single level of government, organization, or community, but rather, require the combined effort of the whole community.