

July 14, 2014

Honorable Judge Robert Hebert Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office 301 Jackson St Suite 719 Richmond, TX 77469

Dear Honorable Judge Hebert,

Congratulations! On behalf of our funding agency, the Texas Department of State Health Services, Tobacco Prevention and Control Branch Tobacco Enforcement Program, we are happy to inform you that your application for funding to conduct controlled buy/stings and follow-ups involving the use of minors in accordance with Subchapter H, Chapter 161, Texas Health and Safety Code has been approved as follows:

Amount of Contract:

\$25,500,00

Services Procured:

340 Controlled Buy/Stings and Follow-ups

Refer to zip code list on page 2

Jurisdiction Coverage:

75% of the tobacco permitted outlets

Contract Period: September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2015

Multiple agencies in <u>Fort Bend</u> County have been approved for funding to conduct tobacco enforcement activities. Each agency's work area has been identified by zip codes. This will prevent duplication of enforcement activities in overlapping jurisdictions, and will maximize overall tobacco enforcement efforts.

An Interlocal Cooperation Contract for services procured is being prepared and will be mailed to your agency. Information regarding the scope of work and contract compliance will be submitted with the contract for services. Texas School Safety Center at Texas State University will be the contract administrator for your contract.

Your participation in this program through enforcement efforts will ensure retailer compliance of tobacco sales to minors. This effort is critical not only to maintaining compliance with federal regulations, but, more importantly, you will directly impact the health and safety of all young citizens in your community.

For questions regarding this notification, contact Chad L. Nolte or Alexia Cox, Contract Specialists for this program. Chad's email is <a href="mailto:CN1082@txstate.edu">CN1082@txstate.edu</a> and his direct office line is 512-245-9665. Alexia's email is <a href="mailto:AC45@txstate.edu">AC45@txstate.edu</a> and her direct line is 512-245-7230.

We look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

Florence C. Raymond Program Manager

**Tobacco Prevention and Community Services** 

CC: Sgt Kathy Rader