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Grant/App: 4489501 **Start Date:** 10/1/2022 **End Date:** 9/30/2023

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Status: Application Pending Submission

Eligibility Information

Your organization's Texas Payee/Taxpayer ID Number:

17460019692080

Application Eligibility Certify:

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Profile Information

Applicant Agency Name: Fort Bend County
Project Title: Violence Against Women Formula Grants
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Start Date: 10/1/2022
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Grant Vendor Information

Organization Type: County

Organization Option: applying to provide services to all others

Applicant Agency's State Payee Identification Number (e.g., Federal Employer's Identification (FEI) Number or Vendor ID): 17460019692080

Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS): 081497075

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The purpose of this funding is to solicit applications for projects that promote a coordinated, multi-disciplinary approach to improve the justice system's response to violent crimes against women, including domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.

The funding announcement, located on the [eGrants Calendar](#) page, describes the organization types, activities, and costs that are eligible under the announcement. The PSO's [eGrants User Guide to Creating an Application](#) guides applicants through the process of creating and submitting an application in eGrants. Information and guidance related to the management and use of grant funds can be found in the PSO's Guide to Grants, located on the [PSO Resource for Applicants and Grantees](#) webpage.

Program-Specific Questions**Culturally Competent Victim Restoration**

Victim service providers must have the ability to blend cultural knowledge and sensitivity with victim restoration skills for a more effective and culturally appropriate recovery process. Cultural competency occurs when: (1) cultural knowledge, awareness and sensitivity are integrated into action and policy; (2) the service is relevant to the needs of the community and provided by trained staff, board members, and management; and (3) an advocate or organization recognizes each client is different with different needs, feelings, ideas and barriers.

Provide information in this section regarding how your organization is culturally competent when providing services to victims.

Our agency agrees to promote collaboration and coordination with other agencies to provide the services that victims need. The FBCSO Victim Liaison has received previous cultural awareness training and in order to continue to provide competent victim services, our victim's liaison and Investigators attend training on cultural knowledge and understanding which will then be incorporated into the services provided to victims of all backgrounds. Employee performance evaluations includes an assessment as to how well the employee is sensitive and aware of cultural differences and needs. Our agency will continue to provide equal services to all cultural groups within our community. We recognize that each victim is diverse with specific needs, feelings, ideas, and obstacles. We understand that victims may be more willing to cooperate and accept services if their individual needs are addressed and met.

Culturally Specific and Underserved Populations

Following are relevant definitions needed to answer this question.

- Underserved populations means populations who face barriers in accessing and using victim services, and includes populations underserved because of geographic location, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, underserved racial and ethnic populations, populations underserved because of special needs (such as language barriers, disabilities, alienage status, or age), and any other population determined to be underserved by the Attorney General or by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, as appropriate.
- Culturally specific means the program is primarily directed toward racial and ethnic minority groups (as defined in section 1707(g) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300u-6(g)).
- Racial and ethnic minority group means American Indians (including Alaska Natives, Eskimos, and Aleuts); Asian Americans; Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders; Blacks; and Hispanics.
- Hispanic means individuals whose origin is Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or any other Spanish-speaking country.

Does your program have a primary focus on serving a culturally specific population? (The organization must do more than merely provide services to an underserved population or culturally specific group; rather, the organization's primary focus must be on providing culturally competent services designed to meet the specific needs of the target population in order to justify a YES response in the section below.)

☐ Yes

☒ No

If you answered 'YES' above, you must explain in the box below how your organization's program is specifically designed to focus on and meet the needs of culturally specific populations. If this item does not apply enter 'N/A'.

N/A

State Priorities

Provide a brief explanation regarding the proposed project's relevance to any or all of the following state priorities. If none of these items apply enter 'N/A'

Improving the criminal justice system response.

The grant supports stronger prosecution of DV cases by providing the Fort Bend County District Attorney with in-depth domestic violence case preparations. Stronger prosecution leads to more just results for survivors. This grant adds a seasoned, specially trained investigator to handle the most serious domestic violence cases in Fort Bend County. In addition this investigator will train other investigators and act as a liaison with the Fort Bend County District Attorney's Family Violence Division.

Improve court services regarding domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.

This grant adds a seasoned, specially trained investigator to handle the most serious domestic violence cases in Fort Bend County. In addition this investigator will train other investigators and act as a liaison with the Fort Bend County District Attorney's Family Violence Division. It also supports the FBCSO Family Violence Unit by providing funds for training, typically domestic violence specific, to assist investigators in completed in depth case investigations for prosecution.

Strengthen victim restoration.

Stronger prosecution of domestic violence cases leads to more accountability for offenders and more just results (and enhanced safety) for survivors of domestic violence. Increase collaboration and communications across all levels of government and among all victims services.

The investigator funded by this grant participates with the Fort Bend County's coordinated community victim's response team for domestic violence, CRVT, which involves victim service group's family violence prosecutors and other law enforcement agencies across Fort Bend County. This investigator will also offer training to the FBDSO family violence unit as well to other local law enforcement agencies.

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:

Forensic Medical Examination Payments

Health care facilities shall conduct a forensic medical examination of a victim of an alleged sexual assault if the victim arrived at the facility within 120 hours after the assault occurred and the victim consents to the examination. The victim is not required to participate in the investigation or prosecution of an offense as a condition of receiving a forensic medical examination, nor pay for the forensic examination or the evidence collection kit. Crime Victim Compensation funds may be used to pay for the medical portion of the exam unless the victim of sexual assault is required to seek reimbursement for the examination from their insurance carrier. If a health care facility does not provide diagnosis or treatment services for sexual assault victims, the facility is required to refer the victim to a facility that provides those services.

Confidentiality and Privacy

Applicant agrees to maintain the confidentiality of client-counselor information and research data, as required by state and federal law. Personally identifying information or individual information collected in connection with services requested, utilized, or denied may not be disclosed; or, reveal individual client information without informed, written, reasonably time-limited consent of the person about whom information is sought. If release of information is compelled by statutory or court mandate, reasonable attempts to provide notice to victims affected by the disclosure of information will be made and steps necessary to protect the privacy and safety of the persons affected by the release of information will be taken.

Activities that Compromise Victim Safety and Recovery

Applicant agrees to not engage in activities that jeopardize victim safety, deter or prevent physical or emotional healing for victims, or allow offenders to escape responsibility for their actions.

Polygraph Testing Prohibition

A peace officer or attorney representing the state may not require an adult or child victim of an alleged sex offense to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth telling device as a condition for proceeding with the investigation of such an offense. In addition, the refusal of a victim to submit to a polygraph or other truth telling examination will not prevent the investigation, charging, or prosecution of an alleged sex offense or on the basis of the results of a polygraph examination.

Protection Orders

Victims applying for a protective order or their attorney may not bear the costs associated with the filing of an order of protections.

Offender Firearm Prohibition

The applicant certifies that its judicial administrative policies and practices include notification to domestic violence offenders of the requirements delineated in section 18 USC § 992(g)(8) and (g)(9).

Criminal Charges

In connection with the prosecution of any misdemeanor or felony domestic violence offense, the victim may not bear the costs associated with the filing of criminal charges against a domestic violence offender, issuance or service of a warrant, or witness subpoena.

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.

Immigration Legal Services

PSO prioritizes funding of projects that provide a full spectrum of counseling, crisis services, and other direct victim services. PSO will not fund projects that focus primarily on immigration legal services and do not provide a significant level of other types of victim services.

Community Efforts

Applicant agrees to promote community efforts to aid crime victims. Applicants should promote, within the community, coordinated public and private efforts to aid crime victims. Coordination efforts qualify an organization to receive these funds, but are not activities that can be supported with these funds.

No Charge

Applicant agrees to provide grant-funded services at no charge to victims of crime. Applicants are also prohibited from billing Crime Victims Compensation, private insurance, Medicaid, or Medicare for services provided using VAWA funds.

Discrimination

Applicant agrees not to discriminate against victims because they disagree with the State's prosecution of the criminal case.

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, 2023 or the end of the grant period, whichever is later.

Legal Assistance for Victims (LAV) Certification

The applicant certifies that it meets the following federal statutory requirements in regards to the provision of legal advocacy:

- (1) Any person providing legal assistance through a program funded under this VAWA Program
 - (a) has demonstrated expertise in providing legal assistance to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking in the targeted population; or
 - (b) is partnered with an entity or person that has demonstrated expertise described in subparagraph (A) and has completed or will complete training in connection with domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking and related legal issues, including training on evidence-based risk factors for domestic and dating violence homicide.
- (2) Any training program conducted in satisfaction of the requirement of paragraph (1) has been or will be developed with input from and in collaboration with a state, local, territorial, or tribal domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking victim service provider or coalition, as well as appropriate tribal, State, territorial, and local law enforcement officials.
- (3) Any person or organization providing legal assistance through a program funded under this Program has informed and will continue to inform state, local, or tribal domestic violence, dating violence or sexual assault programs and coalitions, as well as appropriate State and local law enforcement officials of their work.
- (4) The grantee's organizational policies do not require mediation or counseling involving offenders and victims physically together, in cases where sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or child sexual abuse is an issue.

Does the applicant meet the criteria outlined above?

☒ Yes
☐ No

Civil Rights Liaison

A civil rights liaison who will serve as the grantee's civil rights point of contact and who will be responsible for ensuring that the grantee meets all applicable civil rights requirements must be designated. The designee will act as the grantee's liaison in civil rights matters with PSO and with the federal Office of Justice Programs.

Enter the Name of the Civil Rights Liaison:

Yvette Maldonado

Enter the Address for the Civil Rights Liaison:

301 Jackson St., Richmond, TX 77469-3108, Yvette.Maldonado@hbcctx.gov

Enter the Phone Number for the Civil Rights Liaison [(999) 999-9999 x9999]:

281-341-8630

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.

☒ I certify to all of the application content & requirements.

Project Abstract :

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Fort Bend County is the most culturally diverse jurisdiction in Texas and the fourth fast-rising major county in the United States with an estimated population of 822,779 as of April 1, 2020. This population growth has put an increased demand on the county to provide additional and expanded services to its growing constituency. This project supports the Family Violence Division of the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office (FBCSO) Criminal Investigations Division (CID). The growing population of Fort Bend County has continued the need for extra assistance in the specialized investigations of domestic violence cases. This grant allows for additional investigation resources and specialized investigator training for the FBCSO. The programs overall target is to decrease violence against women by investigating potential subjects and referring criminal cases to the Fort Bend County District Attorney's Office (FBCDA) for prosecution. Having well trained Domestic Violence (DV) investigators that work directly with prosecutors who employ an evidence based prosecution method is the best way to ensure just outcomes that enhance victim safety.

Problem Statement :

This grant targets the issue of domestic violence (DV) in Fort Bend County (FBC) and the need for an additional specialized DV investigator. FBC is one of the fastest growing counties in the state. FBC maintains a poverty level of almost 7 percent, according to data from the U.S. Census Bureau. By comparison, the state average is about 17 percent. Socioeconomic status has been identified as a risk factor for domestic violence (Kyriacou, et al, 1999). With the growing population of Fort Bend County, the number of DV investigations has grown. During the pandemic we saw an increase in DV investigations as well. According to the most recent statistics available from the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS), the total number of Texas family violence incidents in 2020 was 213,875. This represented an 8.6% increase when compared to 2019. These incidents involved 231,029 victims (increased 9.2% from 2019) and 224,792 offenders (increased 9.0% from 2019). The FBCSO Family Violence Unit consist of four full time investigators, one investigator assigned 20% of duties, one sergeant, one lieutenant and one Captain. Each investigator is currently assigned approximately 26-34 cases with a total of 240-270 cases open. DV investigations average 1-2 weeks from when the case is opened to filing with the FBCDA. Due to personnel shortages DV investigators are also "On Call" for 2 days a month for all violent crimes. With increasing DV cases there is a need for an additional DV investigator to assist with over flow of cases, act as a liaison with the FBCDA, and provide expertise to the unit for specialized training in DV investigations.

Supporting Data :

The need for law enforcement personnel, specialized and skills-based training and exercises for law enforcement, investigators assigned to specifically investigate family violence cases, investigators assigned to specifically investigate the violent crimes against women cases are an important priority in Fort Bend County and have been identified in the 2020-2021 Fort Bend Public Safety Community Plan. Whether responding to reports of crime or increasing a positive presence through community policing, all law enforcement agencies within the county have a common need for additional officers and personnel. FBC conducted a year-long public safety training needs assessment of Police, Fire, and EMS agencies over five years ago. The most glaring deficiency noted by the committee involved a lack of joint multi-disciplinary training and exercises in general and specialized and skills-based training for law enforcement in particular. The single largest obstacle is funding. Over 2,500 family violence cases

were referred to the FBCDA for prosecution during FY2021. Family violence cases rose 25% from February to March 2020 and 50% from March 2019 to March 2020, largely due to the Covid-19 pandemic precautions. The 2018 Crime in Texas Report reported a total of 4,065 family violence cases in Fort Bend County. This is an increase of 760 from 2017 (Texas DPS). Statewide, more than 71% of victims of family violence are female. Trends show that simple assaults now often increase in severity and can end in death without intervention.

Project Approach & Activities:

The primary purpose of this program is to improve the investigation of domestic violence (DV) cases through increased resources, to improve coordination of the various agencies responsible for family welfare, and to increase the number of officers with specialization in the area of domestic violence. This requires personnel specifically trained in DV investigations and open collaboration with the FBCDA for prosecution. Activities to be employed or enhanced by this project include 1. Act as a liaison for the FBCSO Family Violence unit with the FBCDA. 2. Attend specialized training in domestic violence investigation. 3. Spend 100% of their time on DV cases and activities. 4. Increase the domestic violence investigator's knowledge and skills in conducting domestic violence-related investigations. 5. Decrease the number of cases dismissed through enhanced case preparation, availability, and knowledge. 6. Provide training to other investigators and to other agencies on new domestic violence law changes, domestic violence indicators and investigation processes, and raise public awareness through presentations to community groups. 7. Be involved in the screening process of domestic violence-related cases to aid in the determination of proper referral, action plans, and minimizing trauma to the victim.

Capacity & Capabilities:

Fort Bend County consists of over 75 departments which employ over 2,800 employees; 750 of these employees work for the FBC Sheriff's Office. The organization is led by Sheriff Eric Fagan who was elected Fort Bend County Sheriff in 2021. The Sheriff's Office consists of three bureaus, ten divisions, and a training academy. The Criminal Investigation Division (CID) is composed of five major detective units. This unit is led by Major Castanada, Captain Whichard, Lt. Heinemeyer, and Sgt. Morris. The Family Violence Division Unit consist of four full time investigators and one investigator assigned 20% of duties to DV. The Family Violence unit has been active since 1996 and currently has a combined law enforcement experience of roughly 100 years. Specifically, the Domestic Violence Investigator capabilities will be strengthened through department dedication, leadership support and continued professional training. Training will include seminars offered by the State of Texas designed to enhance skills related to the investigation of DV and any additional seminars/conferences related to Domestic Violence provided by other cooperating agencies.

Performance Management :

This program consists of a DV Investigator whose primary goal is to work in partnership with the FBCDA, in order to provide timely and thorough investigations to aid in successful prosecution of offenders. The project goal is to successfully investigate all domestic violence offenders and prepare solid cases for prosecution of offenders in FBC. By providing timely and thorough investigations to FBCDA we can increase the likelihood of a successful prosecution of the offender. The objective is to fully investigate all DV cases using specialized training and resources to increase the disposition of cases, reduce the number of cases dismissed and enhance the safety and trust of DV victims. The success of the project can be measured by determining the number of cases disposed and the number of cases dismissed in addition to determining the number of cases reviewed for investigation and the number of cases filed for prosecution.

Target Group :

The Family Violence Unit of the FBCSO is responsible for investigating domestic violence offenders in Fort Bend County, TX, for victims of domestic violence who are primarily adults. The population that the project supports is domestic violence victims throughout FBC. These victims are primarily women. FBC currently has an estimated population of over 800,000. Approximately 580,000 of those individuals are adults and of those adults approximately 50% are women – which means there are over 290,000 adult women living in FBC. Approximately 32.5% of FBC residents are Caucasian, 24.5% are Hispanic/Latino, 21% African American and 21% Asian. Some statistics show that 1 in 4 women will be victims of violence by an intimate partner in their lifetimes – this means that on any given day, our targeted group could be over 70,000 women. This target group faces immeasurable challenges ranging from fear, shame, guilt, financial stress, distrust in authority and lowered self-esteem, to name just a few barriers.

Evidence-Based Practices:

In Domestic Violence and Mandatory Arrest Laws: To What Extent Do They Influence (2007), David Hirschel, Eve Buzawa, April Pattavina and Don Faggiani, write "In an effort to combat intimate partner violence, state laws governing the warrantless arrest powers of the police in domestic violence cases have been greatly expanded over the past thirty years." There is has been a move toward states enacting mandatory and preferred arrest laws in domestic violence cases in recent years. With this move Investigators managing domestic violence cases face the constant challenge of increased caseloads, and challenges of victims who are unable or unwilling to cooperate with investigators. This occurs for a variety of reasons, and manifests in the victim seeking dismissal of charges, lying to prosecutors or investigators, recanting statements about abuse, refusing to talk about the abuse, perjurying themselves in court to protect the abuser, or refusing to come to court altogether. (See "explaining Counter-intuitive Behavior in Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Cases," The Voice Volume 1, Issue 4, National Center for the Prosecution of Violence against Women, 2006.) Evidence – based prosecution can be used to prosecute individuals in domestic Violence cases by either avoiding placing pressure on the victim to cooperate or when such pressure is applied but ineffective. He benefits of evidence based prosecution include a higher number of convictions of domestic abusers and keeping victims safer by placing less emphasis on their role in prosecution. For evidence based prosecution to work it takes dedicated, well- trained, and experienced investigators as well highly trained prosecutors.

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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
Investigation	95.00	Investigate domestic violence crime scenes; interview victims, witnesses and suspects; gather and analyze evidence; provide technical assistance when needed; and testify as a government witness before grand juries and in criminal trials.
Training	5.00	Multidisciplinary training on domestic violence topics. Provide training to other investigators and to other agencies on new domestic violence law changes, domestic violence indicators and investigation processes, and raise public awareness through presentations to community groups. Attend specialized training in domestic violence investigation. Increase the domestic violence investigator's knowledge and skills in conducting domestic violence-related investigations.

CJD Purpose Areas

PERCENT DEDICATED	PURPOSE AREA	PURPOSE AREA DESCRIPTION
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OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Number of arrests made.	25
Number of cases filed.	100
Number of cases investigated.	300
Number of cases referred for prosecution.	100
Number of criminal justice professionals trained.	50
Number of non-criminal justice professionals trained.	200
Number of training events provided.	2

Objective Outcome Measures

OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Number of convictions.	50

Custom Output Measures

CUSTOM OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
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Custom Outcome Measures

CUSTOM OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
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Budget Details Information

Budget Information by Budget Line Item:

CATEGORY	SUB CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	OOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL	UNIT/%
Personnel	Certified Peace Officer - Sheriff's Office	On DV Investigator that supports the Family violence Unit of the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office. \$91,938.00 is the total salary amount including fringe benefits. \$60,719.00 of this amount is salary and \$31,219.00 is fringe. The investigator investigates domestic violence crime scenes; interview victims, witnesses and suspects; gather and analyze evidence; provide technical assistance when needed; and testify as a government witness before grand juries and in criminal trials.	\$60,719.00	\$31,219.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$91,938.00	100
Travel and Training	In-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel	CCAW Conference on crimes Against Women- provides best practices and training from the nations leading experts on violence against women. These funds will cover expenses related to travel, lodging and fees paid to attend the Conference on Crimes Against Women (3 days), government hotel rate \$154.00 per day, an estimated \$500 per attendee, per diem of \$36 per day. (FBC travel policy is uploaded).	\$1,070.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,070.00	0
Travel and Training	In-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel	These funds will cover expenses related to travel, lodging and fees paid to attend the International Conference on Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence and Reimaging Justice. To include attendee fee of \$595, Flight and per diem. This conference focuses on sexual assault, intimate partner violence, stalking, human trafficking, and elder abuse to highlight promising practices and emerging issues to effectively respond to these crimes in all of our communities.	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	0
Travel and Training	In-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel	These funds will cover fees of \$495.00 , travel and per diem to attend PRIME TIME Interviews & Interrogations. Three-day session will provide an in-depth look at the P.R.I.M.E. T.I.M.E. interview techniques utilized when questioning witnesses and suspects. Attendees will participate in an interactive training with current confession clips and class exercises that will provide useful tools and build confidence needed in the interview room.	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0
Travel and Training	In-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel	These funds will cover fees of \$495.00 , travel and per diem to attend PRIME TIME Investigative Statement Analysis. This course is the structured examination of a person's verbatim words for indicators of truthfulness and deception. It is an investigative tool which helps determine a subject's indicators of deception. Just as in an interview setting, we have "tells" that give us away in writing. Wouldn't you like to be able to read a written statement or listen to a 911 call and quickly identify whether the person making the statement was being truthful? That's what ISA will teach you. It gives you tools to prioritize your cases and increase your clearances.	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0

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DESCRIPTION	MATCH TYPE	AMOUNT
Fort Bend County General Fund	Cash Match	\$31,219.00

Summary Source of Match/GPI:

Total Report	Cash Match	In Kind	GPI Federal Share	GPI State Share
\$31,219.00	\$31,219.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Status: Application Pending Submission

Budget Summary Information

Budget Summary Information by Budget Category:

CATEGORY	OOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL
Personnel	\$60,719.00	\$31,219.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$91,938.00
Travel and Training	\$5,570.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,570.00

Budget Grand Total Information:

OOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL
\$66,289.00	\$31,219.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$97,508.00

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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** sub-tab located in the **Summary** tab.

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:

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]:

10/1/2022

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

9/30/2023

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:

52446435

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

6591299

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
☐ 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:
3/24/2020

Equal Employment Opportunity Plan

Compliance

The EEOC certification information must be submitted to the Office of Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs through their on-line [EEOC Reporting Tool](#). For more information and guidance on how to complete and submit the federal EEOC certification information, please visit the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs website at <https://ojp.gov/about/ocr/eeop.htm>.

Type I Entity

Defined as an applicant that meets one or more of the following criteria:

- has less than 50 employees;
- is a non-profit organization;
- is a medical institution;
- is an Indian tribe;
- is an educational institution, or
- is receiving a single award of less than \$25,000.

Requirements

- The applicant agency is exempt from the requirement to prepare an EEOC because it is a Type I Entity as defined above, pursuant to 28 CFR 42, subpart E;
- the applicant will comply with applicable federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in employment and in the delivery of services; and
- the applicant must submit EEOC Certification information the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) to claim the exemption from developing an EEOC.

Type II Entity

Defined as an applicant that meets the following criteria:

- has 50 or more employees, and
- is receiving a single award of \$25,000 or more, but less than \$500,000.

Requirements

- The applicant agency is required to formulate an EEOC in accordance with 28 CFR 42.301, subpart E;
- the EEOC is required to be formulated and signed into effect within the past two years by the proper authority;
- the EEOC is available for review by the public and employees or for review or audit by officials of OOG, OOG's designee, or the Office of Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, as required by relevant laws and regulations;
- the applicant will comply with applicable federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in employment and in the delivery of services;
- the applicant must submit EEOC information to the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) to claim the exemption from submitting an EEOC to OCR; and
- the EEOC is required to be on file with the applicant agency.

Enter the name of the person responsible for the EEOC and the address of the office where the EEOC is filed:
Yvette Maldonado, 301 Jackson St., Richmond, TX 77469-3108, Yvette.Maldonado@hbcctx.gov Phone: 281-341-8630

Type III Entity

Defined as an applicant that is NOT a Type I or Type II Entity.

Requirements

- The EEOC is required to be formulated and signed into effect within the past two years by the proper authority;
- the EEOC has been submitted to the Office of Civil Rights (OCR), Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice and has been approved by the OCR, or it will be submitted to the OCR for approval upon award of the grant, as required by relevant laws and regulations; and
- the applicant will comply with applicable federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in employment and in the delivery of services; and
- the applicant must submit EEOC information to the Office for Civil Rights (OCR).

Certification

Based on the definitions and requirements above, the applicant agency certifies to the following entity type:

- ☐ Type I Entity
☐ Type II Entity
☒ Type III Entity

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.

FFATA Certification

Certification of Recipient Highly Compensated Officers

The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) requires Prime Recipients (CJD) to report the names and total compensation of each of the five most highly compensated officers (a.k.a. positions) of each sub recipient organization for the most recently completed fiscal year preceding the year in which the grant is awarded if the subrecipient answers **YES** to the **FIRST** statement but **NO** to the **SECOND** statement listed below.

In the sub recipient's preceding completed fiscal year, did the sub recipient receive: (1) 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenue from Federal contracts (and subcontracts), loans, grants (and subgrants) and cooperative agreements; AND (2) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenue from Federal contracts (and subcontracts), loans, grants (and subgrants) and cooperative agreements?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Does the public have access to information about the compensation of the senior executives through periodic reports filed under Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or Section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If you answered **YES** to the **FIRST** statement and **NO** to the **SECOND** statement, please provide the name and total compensation amount of each of the five most highly compensated officers (a.k.a. positions) within your agency for the current calendar year. If you answered **NO** to the first statement you are **NOT** required to provide the name and compensation amounts. NOTE: "Total compensation" means the complete pay package of each of the sub recipient's compensated officers, including all forms of money, benefits, services, and in-kind payments (see SEC Regulations: 17 CCR 229.402).

Position 1 - Name:

Position 1 - Total Compensation (\$):

0

Position 2 - Name:

Position 2 - Total Compensation (\$):

0

Position 3 - Name:

Position 3 - Total Compensation (\$):

0

Position 4 - Name:

Position 4 - Total Compensation (\$):

0

Position 5 - Name:

Position 5 - Total Compensation (\$):

0

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General Information and Instructions

Agency Type

Implementing Agency Type - Government

Which designation best describes your agency (select only one):

- ☐ Corrections
☐ Courts
☐ Juvenile justice
☒ Law enforcement
☐ Prosecutor
☐ Other – describe below

If Other is selected describe below:

Purpose of Award

Check all that apply:

- ☐ Continue an OOG-funded victim project funded in a previous year
☐ Expand or enhance an existing project not funded by OOG in the previous year
☒ Start up a new victim services project
☐ Start up a new Native American victim services project
☐ Expand or enhance an existing Native American project

Type of Crime Funding Distribution

Identify the percent of funding dedicated to each type of victimization. The percentages provided below should not include matching funds. Cumulative total for all types of victimization must equal 100%.

Type of Crime	Percent of Funds Dedicated to Crime <i>Enter whole percentages only</i>	Funds Dedicated to Crime <i>Current Award x Percent Entered</i>
Domestic and Family Violence	100	\$66,289.00
Adult Sexual Assault	0	\$0.00
Adults Molested As Children	0	\$0.00
Elder Abuse	0	\$0.00
Adult Human Trafficking	0	\$0.00
Other Non-Violent Crimes	0	\$0.00

Description:

SUM of %'s
Sum of % MUST = 100%

SUM of Funds
Sum of Funds MUST = OOG Current Budget \$66,289.00

Use of Funds

Does this project provide **DIRECT SERVICES** to victims:

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Information and Referral

- ☒ Information about the criminal justice process
☒ Information about victim rights, how to obtain notifications, etc.
☒ Referral to other victim service programs
☒ Referral to other services, supports, and resources (includes legal, medical, faith-based organizations, address-confidentiality programs, etc.)

Personal Advocacy/Accompaniment

- ☐ Victim advocacy/accompaniment to emergency medical care
- ☐ Victim advocacy/accompaniment to medical forensic exam
- ☒ Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment
- ☐ Individual advocacy (e.g., assistance in applying for public benefits, return of personal property or effects)
- ☐ Performance of medical or nonmedical forensic exam or interview, or medical evidence collection
- ☐ Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)
- ☐ Intervention with employer, creditor, landlord, or academic institution
- ☐ Child and/or dependent care assistance (includes coordination of services)
- ☐ Transportation assistance (includes coordination of services)
- ☐ Interpreter services

Emotional Support or Safety Services

- ☐ Crisis Intervention (in-person, includes safety planning, etc.)
- ☐ Hotline/crisis line counseling
- ☐ On-scene crisis response (e.g., community crisis response)
- ☐ Individual counseling
- ☐ Support groups (facilitated or peer)
- ☐ Other therapy (traditional, cultural, or alternative healing; art, writing, or play therapy; etc.)
- ☐ Emergency financial assistance (includes emergency loans and petty cash, payment for items such as food and/or clothing, changing windows and/or locks, taxis, prophylactic and nonprophylactic meds, durable medical equipment, etc.)

Shelter/Housing Services

- ☐ Emergency shelter or safe house
- ☐ Transitional housing
- ☐ Relocation assistance (includes assistance with obtaining housing)

Criminal/Civil Justice System Assistance

- ☒ Notification of criminal justice events (case status, arrest, court proceedings, case disposition, release, etc.)
- ☐ Victim impact statement assistance
- ☐ Assistance with restitution (includes assistance in requesting and when collection efforts are not successful)
- ☐ Civil legal assistance in obtaining protection or restraining order
- ☐ Civil legal assistance with family law issues (e.g., custody, visitation, or support)
- ☒ Other emergency justice-related assistance
- ☐ Immigration assistance (e.g., special visas, continued presence application, and other immigration relief)
- ☐ Prosecution interview advocacy/accompaniment (includes accompaniment with prosecuting attorney and victim/witness)
- ☒ Law enforcement interview advocacy/accompaniment
- ☐ Criminal advocacy/accompaniment
- ☐ Other legal advice and/or counsel

Assistance in Filing Compensation Claims

- ☐ Assists potential recipients in seeking crime victim compensation benefits

Types of Victimization

Check the types of victimization that best describe the victims the grant-funded project will serve. "Other" refers to a type that is not associated with any of the types provided in the list. Check all that apply:

Type of Victimization

- ☐ Adult sexual assault
- ☐ Adults sexually abused/assaulted as children
- ☒ Domestic and/or family violence
- ☐ Human trafficking: sex
- ☐ Stalking/harassment
- ☐ Teen dating victimization

☐ Other

If Other is TRUE provide explanation:

Budget and Staffing

Answer the questions below based on your current fiscal year. Report the total budget available to the victim services program by source of funding. Do not report the entire agency budget, unless the entire budget is devoted to victim services program.

Annual funding amounts allocated to all victimization programs and/or services for the current fiscal year:

Identify by source the amount of funds allocated to the victimization program/services budget for your agency. DO NOT COUNT FUNDS IN MORE THAN ONE CATEGORY. OTHER FEDERAL includes all federal funding except the award amount for this grant.

OOG Current Budget: \$66,289.00

Other State Funds: \$0.00

Other Local Funds: \$0.00

Other Federal Funds: \$0.00

Other Non-Federal Funds: \$0.00

Total Victimization Program Budget: \$66,289.00**Total number of paid staff for all grantee victimization program and/or services:**

COUNT each staff member once. Both full and part time staff should be counted as one staff member. DO NOT prorate based on FTE.

Total number of staff: 1

Number of staff hours funded through THIS grant award (plus match) for grantee's victimization programs and/or services:

Total COUNT of hours to work by all staff supporting the work of this award, including match.

Total number of hours: 2080

Number of volunteer staff supporting the work of this award (plus match) for grantee's victimization programs and/or services:

COUNT each volunteer staff once. DO NOT prorate based on FTE.

Total number of volunteer staff: 0

Number of volunteer hours supporting the work of this award (plus match) for grantee's victimization programs:

Total COUNT of hours to work by all volunteers supporting the work of the award, including match.

Total hours to work by all volunteers: 0