

Letter of Intent

Agency: Fort Bend County Sheriff's office

Project Name: FY 26 Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) Coordinator

Grant #: 5411401

Funding Source: Office of the Governor

Funding amount requested: \$115,750.00

The Fort Bend County Sheriff's Department regularly conducts comprehensive evaluations and assessments using historical and current data to inform the development of realistic and reachable goals. It is through these evaluations that the need to develop a strategic process for analyzing data and reporting procedures became clear. This funding request for a PSN Coordinator is a priority due to the urgent need to protect individuals, promote community engagement, prevent/reduce violent crime, and address the need for a dedicated position for crime analysis. Accordingly, the PSN Coordinator will mine crime analysis information from existing databases, apply knowledge from background, experience and training, and conduct research for best practices on effective crime strategies and initiatives. The PSN Coordinator will then meet with enforcement supervisors to implement best practices to target specific strategies, evaluating efficacy at every quarter until the effect of the designed intervention can be determined. The Coordinator will also engage with Sheriff's Office leadership and community stakeholders to gain guidance and participation to reduce crime and foster safer neighborhoods in Fort Bend County, using evidence-based practices at each phase of each initiative's implementation. This includes determining any gaps in the current violence reduction strategy and determining plans to address them. The PSN Coordinator will conduct surveys, focus groups and stakeholder feedback sessions to gather data, determine trends in violent incidents and problem solve violence reduction best practices. These activities also serve to strengthen law enforcement's efforts to engage with the community. The amount requested is for 100% funding for this position with no match. There are currently no other sources of funding above \$50,000 for this project.

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