

## Letter of Intent

**Agency:** Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office

**Project Name:** FY2027 Criminal Justice Program, Public Safety Enhancement Project

**Grant #:** 5762001

**Funding Source:** Office of the Governor

**Funding amount requested:** \$111,552.80

While we don't have any formal partnership with other agencies, The Fort Bend County Sheriff's office does regularly coordinate responses with regional, state and federal law enforcement agencies. This FBC Sheriff's Office project should be considered a funding priority because it will meet the need for tools that are essential to the work of the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office Patrol Division who are routinely engaged in a variety of different policing strategies and methods of dealing with crime. The safety of officers and the community they serve is a multifaceted issue that requires awareness, support and comprehensive safety measures. The project request will provide crowd control barricades, a dual-purpose explosives canine and portable NIJ Level IIIA / III multi-threat shields to address personal and property crime considerations for event safety. This project will also provide motorcycle officers in the Patrol Division with communications headsets kits that allow for hands-free communication and the ability to share critical information quickly and efficiently. Further, this project will significantly enhance the Patrol Division's accuracy, efficiency and improve situational awareness and response times. The Houston Police Department (77002) utilizes the same officer and public safety equipment requested and we plan on collaborating with them on training. The project can be scaled by receiving half of the amount of the investigative equipment requested. If we do not receive these funds, we would need additional funding resources and/or other grant opportunities to sustain this project. The amount requested is for 100% funding with no match. There are currently no other sources of funding above \$50,000 for this project.

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