2012 Fort Bend County Resolution Indigent Defense Discretionary Grant Program

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Texas Government Code Section 71.062 and Texas Administrative Code Chapter 173, counties are eligible to receive grants from the Task Force on Indigent Defense to provide improvements in indigent defense services in the county; and

WHEREAS, this grant program will assist the county in the implementation and the improvement of the indigent criminal defense services in Fort Bend County, which is a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County Commissioners Court agrees that grant funds will be returned in full to the Task Force on Indigent Defense in the event of loss or misuse of the funds,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED and ordered that the County Judge of this county, or other official designated by Commissioners Court, is designated as the Authorized Official to apply for, accept, decline, modify, or cancel the grant application for the Indigent Defense Discretionary Grant Program and all other necessary documents to accept said grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Roderick Glass is designated as the Program Director and contact person for this grant and the County Auditor is designated as the Financial Officer for this grant.

Adopted this26day of April, 2011.	Colon Deller
	Robert E Hebert
	County Judge

Internet Submission Form

After submitting the discretionary grant application on-line, the following Internet submission confirmation number was received # <u>D2012.0792.011.0222</u>
This grant application submission was in accordance with the Commissioners Court
Resolution above.
Robert E Hebert
County Judge

Indigent Defense Multi-Year Discretionary Grant PROGRAM COOPERATION AGREEMENT

FORT BEND COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH PUBLIC DEFENDER PROGRAM

YOU DO NOT NEED TO HAVE ALL JUDGES SIGN IF THEY TOOK OFFICIAL "BOARD OF JUDGES" ACTION TO APPROVE PROGRAM SUPPORT.

Fort Bend County has applied for a discretionary grant from the Task Force on Indigent Defense (Task Force) to assist in funding the Fort Bend County Mental Health Public Defender Program.

Implementation of this program will affect the District and County Courts at Law in Fort Bend County.

The undersigned judges agree to support and/or participate with the program pursuant to the county's discretionary grant application to the Task Force and any special conditions of the grant award to the county. This commitment includes participating in the data collection efforts required in the program, as well as utilization of the services to be provided by the program.

To be considered for funding this program cooperation agreement must be signed by the judges of all of the statutory county / district courts hearing criminal matters punishable by incarceration or juvenile matters in the county.

Acknowledged and Approved by all statutory county / district courts hearing criminal matters punishable by incarceration or juvenile matters in the county:

Signature of Local Administrative District Judge

Printed Name and Title:

Signature of Local Administrative County Judge

Thomas

1/25/11

Printed Name and Title:

MENTAL HEALTH PUBLIC DEFENDER PROGRAM

2012 BUDGET/GRANT

GRANT

The Mental Health Public Defender (MHPD) Program operates under a four (4) year decreasing grant from the Texas Task Force for Indigent Defense (Task Force). Fiscal Year 2012 will be the third year of the grant. Typically, the third year of the grant means the County will contribute 60% of the cost of the Mental Health Public Defender Program and the Task Force will contribute 40% based upon a budget of \$610,280.00¹.

Task Force Grant Funds = \$244,112.00 County Match = \$366,168.00

However, since the MHPD Program did not take its first case until February 1, 2010, Roderick "Rocky" Glass (Director of MHPD Program) and J.C. Whitten (Former Employee with County Judge's Office) worked out a deal with the Task Force in January 2010 and the Task Force agreed to cover the cost until the first case was taken. Therefore, in Fiscal Year 2012, the Task Force will contribute 60% of the cost for 4 months (October 1, 2011 to January 31, 2012) and 40% for 8 months (February 1, 2012 to September 30, 2012). Likewise, the County's match is 40% for 4 months and 60% for 8 months based upon a budget of \$610,280.00

Task Force Grant Funds FY2012 = \$284.797.33 County Match = \$325,482.67²

While the formula (40% at 4 months and 60% at 8 months) may be complicated, it saves the County up to \$40,685.33.

BUDGET

The budget submitted to the Budget Office only includes the County Match amounts.

¹ The budget of \$610,280.00 was the original budget that was submitted in the original application for the grant. The Task Force of Indigent Defense bases its contribution on that budget amount.

² Please see Fort Bend County Mental Health Public Defender spreadsheet for full breakdown of grant funds and county match amounts.

FORT BEND COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH/PUBLIC DEFENDER 2012 BUDGET

DIRECT COST	GRANT-60% 4 MONTHS	GRANT-40% 8 MONTHS	TOTAL GRANT FUNDS	COUNTY-40% 4 MONTHS	COUNTY-60% 8 MONTHS	TOTAL COUNTY	DEP/ BUD	DEPARTMENT BUDGET-2012
PERSONNEL	\$ 67,573.32	\$ 101,359.99	\$ 168,933.31	\$ 48,266.67	\$ 144,800.02	\$ 193,066.69	√ 1	362,000.00
FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 35,056.00	\$ 46,741.33	\$ 81,797.33	\$ 23,370.67	\$ 70,112.00	\$ 93.482.67		175 280 00
TRAVEL & TRAINING EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,666.67	\$ 4,666.67	\$ 1,333.33	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,333.33	· ••	10,000.00
SUPPLIES	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 2,133.33	\$ 3,733.33	\$ 1,066,67	\$ 3.200.00	\$ 4.266.67	v	
CONTRACT SERVICES	\$ 7,000.01	\$ 4,666.68	\$ 11,666.69	\$ 3,333.33	86.666,6 \$	\$ 13,333.31	ን ‹›	25,000.00
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$ 113,229.33	\$ 157,568.00	\$ 270,797.33	\$ 77,370.67	\$ 232,112.00	\$ 309,482.67	\$	580,280.00
INDIRECT COST:	\$ 8,400.00	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	S	\$ 30,000.00
TOTAL COST	\$ 121,629.33	\$ 163,168.00	\$ 284,797.33	\$ 81,370.67	\$ 244,112.00	\$ 325,482.67	S	\$ 610,280.00