



COMMISSIONERS COURT CONTRACT FORM

CONTRACT SUMMARY

GRANT AWARD: Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Texas Office of the Governor-Homeland Security Grants Division, Statement of Grant Award #522281, for the Region 1 -Border Prosecution Unit Supplemental Funding, El Paso District Attorney's Office, in the amount of \$1,170,000.00, from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025. There is no County match required. (Contract #2024-0621).

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND: This project, an integral part of the Texas Border Prosecution Unit (BPU) will equip the 34th Judicial District Attorney's Office, composed of El Paso, Culberson and Hudspeth Counties, (and one of 23 prosecutor offices comprising the BPU) with enhanced prosecution capabilities by providing the funding to hire additional prosecutors whose efforts will be focused and targeted to border crimes.

On a broader scale, the project also contains funding that will equip the entire Border Prosecution Unit project to meet the duties and responsibilities enumerated in the BPU enabling statute (Sec. 772.056, Texas Government Code) primarily by facilitating: (a) cross-training for both prosecutors and law enforcement personnel, with a primary focus on the numerous small local police and sheriffs' departments throughout the 54 counties in the BPU service area; (b) frequent meetings and coordination sessions among all BPU member jurisdictions, including the eight (8) district attorney offices housing Texas Anti-Gang Center BPU attorneys; and (c) joint intelligence briefings with Department of Public Safety regional command structure, including specifically the Criminal Investigations Division.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Region 1 - Border Prosecution Unit Supplemental Funding is \$1,170,000.00 with no County match. Account will be set up upon award acceptance.

PRIOR COURT ACTION: FY23-25 Region 1 BPU grant application and Resolution approved by Commissioners Court on April 22, 2024, item #4AA, Contract No 2024-0331

RECOMMENDATION: **GRANT AWARD:** Approve and authorize the County Judge to accept the Texas Office of the Governor-Homeland Security Grants Division, Statement of Grant Award #522281, for the Region 1 -Border Prosecution Unit Supplemental Funding, El Paso District Attorney's Office, in the amount of \$1,170,000.00, from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025. There is no County match required. (Contract #2024-0621).

BASIC CONTRACT DETAILS

CONTRACT NO.: 2024-0621

CONTRACT TITLE: DA / Border Prosecution Unit(BPU) / Grant Award No. 5222801 / Yr 2023-2025

SECOND PARTY: State of Texas, Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grant Division

CONTRACT TYPE: Grant Award/Agreement

TERM AND BUDGET DETAILS

TERM: 2 Years

EXTENSION OPTIONS: Annual Renewal - Upon Mutual Agreement

EFFECTIVE DATE: 9/1/2023

MOD EFFECTIVE DATE (If Applicable):

EXPIRATION DATE: 08/31/2025

MOD EXPIRATION DATE (If Applicable):

EXTENSION DEADLINE DATE (If Applicable):

AMOUNT:

MOD AMOUNT (If Applicable):

APPROVALS

COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL

The attached document has been given legal review by the El Paso County Attorney's Office on behalf of the County of El Paso, its officers, and employees. Said legal review should not be relied upon by any person or entity other than the County of El Paso, its officers, and employees.

COUNTY ATTORNEY: Anthony Martinez

LEGAL REVIEW: Approved as to Form as Submitted

LEGAL REVIEW NOTES (If Applicable):

DATE: 8/7/2024

DIRECTOR/DEPARTMENT HEAD APPROVAL

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has read the contract, understands and approves the contract terms and conditions and further certifies that the contract conforms to the bid specification, if any, and acknowledges that he/she is responsible for administering all terms and conditions.

DIRECTOR/DEPARTMENT HEAD/DESIGNEE: Bill D. Hicks

DEPARTMENT CONTACT: Silvia Serna

DEPARTMENT: District Attorney

DATE: 08/07/2024

