



**El Paso County  
Agenda Item Details**

<b>Item Title:</b>	Border Prosecution Unit (BPU) / FY26 Grant-App No. 2283713 and Resolution / Yr 2025-2027
<b>Submitted By:</b>	James Montoya, District Attorney
<b>Department:</b>	District Attorney's Office
<b>Department Phone Number:</b>	915-273-3542
<b>Subject:</b>	GRANT APPLICATION - Approve and authorize the District Attorney's Office to apply for the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division, FY26 Border Prosecution Unit (BPU) Program, in the amount of \$4,866,903 from September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2027. No County match is required. Further, authorize the County Judge to sign the accompanying Resolution. (Contract No. 2025-0220)
<b>Background:</b>	<p>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 Hudspeth and Culberson 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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<b>Fiscal Impact:</b>	Fiscal Impact Historical N/A

Fiscal Impact Projected  
FY26 \$4,866,903 with No County Match

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**Budget or Unbudgeted Match:**

**Recommendation:**

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**Prior Action:**

Award contract# 2023-0148  
9/1/2023

**Strategic Plan:**

Goal:

6. Advance Community Support Services

Objective:

**Strategic Plan Information:**

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**Estimated Time Needed  
For This Item:**