# CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS AGENDA ITEM DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM

**DEPARTMENT:** 

Police

**AGENDA DATE:** 

August 8, 2017

**CONTACT PERSON/PHONE:** 

Assistant Chief Patrick Maloney, 212-4300

**DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED:** 

All

STRATEGIC GOAL: NO. 2: Set the Standard for a Safe and Secure City

# **SUBJECT:**

Authorize the City Manager or designee to submit an application for grant funding for the Texas Anti-Gang Program (TAG), through the Criminal Justice Division of the Texas Governor's Office, and to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan. The City is the grantee working in partnership with multiple local, state and federal agencies to combat gang activity through prevention and enforcement efforts. The period of the grant is January 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019, with no cash or in-kind match required.

# **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

The TAG grant funds a collaborative effort in which multiple local, state and federal agencies co-locate designated investigative staff in a leased facility (TAG Center). Funds are budgeted for TAG Center building lease costs, data services and equipment, TAG Center Administrator and Administrator Assistant salary costs, office equipment and office supplies. Operational activities will focus on gang prevention, intervention, and suppression as well as investigation, enforcement, and prosecution of gang-related offenses. Co-location facilitates information-sharing, investigative collaboration, and multi-jurisdictional enforcement. The initial TAG grant application (FY 2016) was approved by City Council on April 5, 2016 and resulted in an award of \$ 2,000,000.00 for the duration of the grant.

# **SELECTION SUMMARY:**

N/A	
PROTEST	
No protest received for this requirement.	
Protest received.	
COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE BRIEFING:	
Was a briefing provided? Yes or No Rout If yes, select the applicable districts.	ine
District 1 District 2	

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District 3 District 4 District 5 District 6 District 7 District 8 All Districts
PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:
City Council approved the FY2016 TAG grant application on April 5, 2016.
AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:
N/A
BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:
N/A
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# RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of El Paso (the City) is eligible to apply for grants through the FY 2018 Criminal Justice Division of the Texas Governor's Office; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the Texas Anti-Gang Program (TAG) will assist in combating gang violence in the community.

# NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

- 1. That the City Manager or designee is authorized to submit an application for grant funding for the Texas Anti-Gang Program (TAG), through the Criminal Justice Division of the Texas Governor's Office, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and to reject, alter and/or terminate the grant. In addition, the City Manager or designee is authorized to sign any related paperwork, including but not limited to authorization of budget transfers, and/or revisions to the operation plan. Further, the City Manager or designee is authorized to execute any grant amendments, corrections or extensions of the grant agreement which increase, decrease or de-obligate program funds. The City is the grantee working in partnership with multiple local, state and federal agencies to combat gang activity through prevention and enforcement efforts. The period of the grant is January 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019, with no cash or in-kind match required.
- 2. The El Paso City Council agrees that the existence of an award will not be used to offset or decrease total salaries, expenses and allowances that the City receives or provides to its Police Department at or after the time the grant is awarded.
- 3. That the City of El Paso's Chief Financial Officer, or designee, is designated as the Financial Officer for this grant.
- 4. That the City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the TAG grant funds, the City of El Paso assures that the grant funds will be returned in full to the Criminal Justice Division of the Texas Governor's Office.

	CITY OF EL PASO				
ATTEST:	Dee Margo Mayor				
Laura D. Prine Interim City Clerk					
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:				
Oscar G. Gabaldón, Jr. Assistant City Attorney	Gregory K. Allen Chief of Police				

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Agency Name: El Paso, City of

Grant/App: 3060702 Start Date: 1/1/2018 End Date: 8/31/2019

Project Title: West Texas Anti-Gang Center Status: Application Pending Submission

Eligibility Information Your organization's Texas Payee/Taxpayer ID Number: 17460007499049

Application Eligibility Certify: Created on:4/13/2017 9:42:32 AM By:Heather Arrington

Profile Information
Applicant Agency Name: El Paso, City of
Project Title: West Texas Anti-Gang Center
Division or Unit to Administer the Project: El Paso Police Department
Address Line 1: 911 N Raynor
Address Line 2:
City/State/Zip: El Paso Texas 79903-1402
Start Date: 1/1/2018
End Date: 8/31/2019

Regional Council of Governments(COG) within the Project's Impact Area: Rio Grande Council of Governments Headquarter County: El Paso
Counties within Project's Impact Area: El Paso

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Position: Police Commander

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#### **Grant Vendor Information**

Organization Type: Unit of Local Government (City, Town, or Village) Organization Option: applying to provide services to all others Applicant Agency's State Payee Identification Number (e.g., Federal Employer's Identification (FEI) Number or Vendor ID): 17460007499049 Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS): 058873019

#### Narrative Information

#### Introduction

This application covers grant applications for funds administered by CID under the funding announcements for the Juvenile Justice Grant Programs (local and statewide), Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT), Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), Truancy Prevention and Intervention (program), and Specialty Court Grant Programs for (general courts and training and technical assistance) See the relevant CID funding announcement (linked above under "OOG Solicitation") for application instructions.

WARNING: This application has changed significantly since last year. It is essential to review the funding announcement (linked above) for instructions specific to each grant program. The funding announcements may require certain information - especially under the project narrative boxes - that your application may be considered incomplete without, resulting in the application being declared invalid and Ineliaible for funding.

Unless otherwise specifically instructed, DO NOT UPLOAD ATTACHMENTS with further information. Use the space provided here to address any aspects of the project you consider relevant.

#### Section 1: Program-Specific Questions

#### A. Specialty Courts

If applicant applying to fund a specialty court operating under Ch. 121 of the Texas Government Code, enter the CJD ID for the court (list available here). If applicant is not, enter "0":

For specialty courts, this application will be considered incomplete until the program fills out the CJD Specialty Courts survey, released in December 2016. The survey is available here.

B. Drug Testing

If the project tests program participants for drugs or alcohol, describe the testing policy, including the method used for testing and the frequency of testing for participants. Enter 'N/A' if the project does not have participants or those participants are not drug tested.

Are employees subject to drug testing?

X Yes

N/A - not applying under the RSAT grant program

If you selected Yes above, briefly describe the policies related to the testing of employees. If this item does not apply enter 'N/A'. Employees may be selected at random for drug and/or alcohol testing at any interval determined by the City, or in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreements, subject to state and federal laws and regulations. C. Juvenile Case Managers

Select the option that best describes the support for juvenile case managers (including programs administered by juvenile case managers) in this project:

X No support for juvenile case managers

- Support for juvenile case managers to address truancy only
- Support for juvenile case managers to address juvenile crime

If this project includes support for juvenile case managers, select all options that apply. The juvenile case managers under this project will be employed or co-employed by:

- \_ A truancy court under Chapter 65, Texas Family Code
- An independent school district
- \_ A juvenile probation department
- \_ A Juvenile criminal court
- Another type of entity
- X This project does not support juvenile case managers

If this project supports juvenile case managers, list the names of the entities employing, co-employing, or utilizing the case managers, including the name of the truancy court and the name of the school district (if applicable). Projects that do not support juvenile case managers should enter N/A:

N/A

If this project supports juvenile case managers, list any of the entities entered immediately above that <u>currently</u> employ juvenile case managers. If the project does not support juvenile case managers or none of the entities currently employ them, enter N/A: N/A

If the applicant is applying for funds to support a juvenile case manager, check all that apply (all other applicants select the last option):

\_ Each county of the applicant retains funds collected under Sec. 102.015, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure

- \_ Each municipality of the applicant retains funds collected under Sec. 102.015, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure
- Each county of the applicant currently collects fees to support juvenile case managers under Sec. 102.0174, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Each municipality of the applicant currently collects fees to support juvenile case managers under Sec. 102.0174, Texas Code of Criminal

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- \_ Each county of the applicant has established a judicial trust fund under Sec. 36.001, Texas Government Code
- Each municipality of the applicant has established a judicial trust fund under Sec. 36.001, Texas Government Code

X Applicant is not applying for funds to support a juvenile case manager

#### D. Evaluation Projects

This section regards any evaluation budget line item and/or selection of "Program Evaluation" as a project activity.

#### Tier-One Evaluations

Evaluations of programs that have been implemented and the evaluations will test the fidelity of the program based on proven models or best-practices. The evaluation also will review available program output and outcome information.

Does this application include a tier-one evaluation?

X No

If you answered 'YES' above, describe below the best practices/model to be used in a fidelity and performance evaluation, the goal(s) of the evaluation, and why it is needed. If you answered 'No' above, enter 'N/A'.

#### Tier-Two Evaluations

Evaluations directed at measuring the effectiveness of proposed new program models or significant changes in present program models. The goal of tier-two evaluations is both to measure the program's effectiveness and to produce data and evidence necessary for others to replicate the program models and to develop best practices that CID can use in supporting similar efforts.

Does this application include a tier-two evaluation?

\_Yes X No

If you answered 'YES' above, describe below why this new program model is needed and the goal(s) of the evaluation. If you answered 'No' above, enter 'N/A'.

X If you answered NO to both questions above, check this box.

#### E. Sustainment

How many additional years, beyond this request, do you plan to request continuation funding?

1) If you entered three (3) years or fewer, provide a brief explanation of your sustainment plan (if you entered more than three years or the project will not be sustained, enter 'N/A'):

If you entered more than three (3) years, explain the longer term sustainment plan or why other resources cannot be used to continue this project and why a sustainment strategy is not possible (if you entered three years or fewer or the project will not be sustained, enter 'N/A'):

No Funding Available

Section 2: Certifications

In addition to the requirements found in existing statute, regulation, and the funding announcement, this program requires applicant organizations to certify compliance with the following:

#### A. Constitutional Compliance

Applicant assures that it will not engage in any activity that violates Constitutional law including profiling based upon race.

#### **B.** Information Systems

Applicant assures that any new criminal justice information systems will comply with data sharing standards for the Global Justice XML Data Model and the National Information Exchange Model.

#### C. Bulletproof Vests

Applicant assures that if it plans to purchase body armor with grant funds, that it has adopted a mandatory wear policy and that all vests purchased have been tested and found to comply with the latest applicable National Institute of Justice (NIJ) ballistic or stab standards. Additionally, vests purchased must be American-made.

#### D. Uniform Crime Reports

Eligible applicants operating a law enforcement agency must be current on reporting Part I violent crime data to the Texas Department of Public Safety for inclusion in the annual Uniform Crime Report (UCR) and must have been current for the twelve previous months.

#### E. Criminal History Reporting

The county (or counties) in which the applicant is located must have a 90% average on both adult and juvenile criminal history dispositions reported to the Texas Department of Public Safety for calendar years 2011 through 2015.

#### F. DNA Testing of Evidentiary Materials

When funds are used for DNA testing of evidentiary materials, any resulting eligible DNA profiles must be uploaded to the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) by a government DNA lab with access to CODIS.

#### **G. Interoperable Communications**

Funds to support emergency communications activities must ensure compliance with the FY 2015 SAFECOM Guidance on Emergency Communications Grants; adherence to the technical standards set forth in the FCC Walver Order, or any succeeding FCC orders, rules, or regulations pertaining to broadband operations in the 700 MHz public safety band; and are fully coordinated with the full-time Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC) for Texas.

#### H. Twelve-Step Programs

Grant funds may not be used to support or directly fund programs such as the Twelve Step Program which courts have ruled are inherently religious. OOG grant funds cannot be used to support these programs, conduct meetings, or purchase related materials.

#### I. Specialty Court Certifications

If the applicant is a specialty court operated under Ch. 121 of the Texas Government Code, the following certifications apply:

- 1. The specialty court will develop and maintain written policies and procedures for the operation of the program.
- The applicant will submit a copy of any project evaluations, evaluation plans, recidivism studies, or related reports that are completed during the grant period to CID.

#### J. Generated Program Income

Unless specifically and explicitly authorized to do otherwise by OOG, at OOG's sole discretion, the applicant will report Generated Program Income (GPI), which includes any portion of fees collected from program participants and retained by the grantee. GPI will be applied to the grant through a grant adjustment. GPI must be used to offset project costs and must be expended prior to seeking payment from

#### K. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Requests

The full text of this certification can be found here. To be in compliance with this requirement, any county or municipal government that includes a department that detains individuals after arrest for a criminal violation must provide a letter signed by the head of each such department certifying to the requirements. This letter may be used for any application submitted to OOG for a period of up to two years from the date it is signed. If that period expires during the project period of any grant, the grantee must submit an updated letter for each such grant to remain in compliance with this requirement.

#### All applicants must select one of the following options:

- \_ Applicant is not a county or municipal government
- Applicant is a county or municipal government and does not include any department that detains individuals after arrest for a criminal violation at any time
- X Applicant is a county or municipal government that includes department(s) that detain Individuals after arrest for a criminal violation. Letters certifying compilance and signed by the heads of all such departments have been uploaded to this application.

Applicant is a county or municipal government that includes department(s) that detain individuals after arrest for a criminal violation. The Authorized Official has read the certification found on the aforementioned CJD website. Further, the Authorized Official will not be submitting signed letters certifying compliance from the heads of all such departments and understands that failure to comply with this certification may result in OOG, at its sole discretion, rejecting this application and any other application from the relevant county or municipal government.

#### L. Civil Rights Liaison

A civil rights liaison who will serve as the grantee's civil rights point of contact and who will be responsible for ensuring that the grantee meets all applicable civil rights requirements must be designated. The designee will act as the grantee's liaison in civil rights matters with CJD and with the federal Office of Justice Programs.

Enter the Name of the Civil Rights Llaison:

Linda Thomas

Enter the Address for the Civil Rights Liaison:

300 N. Campbell El Paso Texas, 79901

Enter the Phone Number for the Civil Rights Liaison [(999) 999-9999 x9999]: (915) 212-1240

#### **Overall Certification**

Each applicant agency must certify to the specific requirements detailed above as well as to comply with all requirements within the CID Funding Announcement, the Guide to Grants, the Grantee Conditions and Responsibilities, any authorizing or applicable state and federal statutes and regulations to be eligible for this program.

X I certify to all of the application content & requirements.

#### **Project Abstract:**

The City of El Paso and El Paso County's proximity to Mexico and bordering states make it a key location for organized crime to conduct operations. El Paso County is approximately 1,012.7 square miles with a population of 837, 918. The City of El Paso is the largest of 7 cities in the County of El Paso, with an estimated population of 686,077. El Paso County's numerous international ports of entry, airports, interstate rall, and highway infrastructure make the area a hub of transportation and global trade, and a key operational stronghold for criminal organizations when it comes to the importation and distribution of drugs and contraband. Texas Department of Public Safety has Identified El Paso as having the most number of gang members in Region IV which includes the El Paso-Las Cruces area, Odessa, Midland and San Angelo with a combined MSA population of 1.4 million. According to the El Paso Police Department Gang Data Base, as of May 2017 El Paso has 330 active gangs and 6,460 gang members. Recruitment of gang members, gang membership, and gang violence is on the rise. The most current Texas Department of Public Safety-Gang Threat Assessment reassures us that there continues to be street gangs, prison gangs, and outlaw motorcycle gangs in the El Paso area. El Paso's largest gang, Barrio Azteca, has 943 members. According to the El Paso Police Department Threat Domain Assessment, the prominent active criminal organizations and gangs are: Tango Blast, Mexican Mafia, Chuco Tango and Texas Syndicate, Folk Nation, Sureños, Crips, Varrio Northeast, 19th Street, M5-13, Bloods, Barrio San Juan, Hated by Many, and Varrio Glenwood Street. The structure and organization of these gangs varies, with some staying within their territorial or racial roots. Some of these gangs have shown to have a hierarchy or paramilitary structure while others are very fluid. Intelligence indicates that many of these gangs will work together on a deal by deal basis. Financial reward benefiting the gangs has been the incentive when it comes to gangs crossing racial and ethnic lines. Amongst the gangs, Folk Nation is the largest and most active African American Gang In the El Paso Region with 312 members, bloods have 299 members, and Crips have 270 members. Sureños are the most active Hispanic street gang with 658 members. In addition, Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO's) and Transnational Criminal Organizations are active in the El Paso Region. This includes the Sinaloa Cartel, Vicente Carrillo Fuentes-La Linea, and pockets of Los Zetas. These organizations affiliate with local criminal gangs in virtually every type of criminal activity. They are involved in human trafficking, drug trafficking, extortion, home invasion, metal and heavy equipment theft, major fraud, money laundering, bulk cash smuggling, kidnapping, and murder for hire. Over the last two years, the combined efforts of the two largest law responsible for 588 of these arrests, Sureños 348, Folk 290, Bloods 244, Chuco Tango 158, and Crips with 156. The Texas Department of Public Safety's Gang unit had 208 arrests over a two-year period. The El Paso Police Department Gang Unit handled 630 gang related cases with 232 arrests over the same two-year period. The El Paso Police Department of continued support of the El Paso TAG center. Is centrally located and is equipped with advanced technology. The TAG Center enables participating law enforcement agencies to more efficiently and effectively cooperate and collaborate on intelligence, investigations, and operational activities related to combating gangs and other criminal organizations operating in or affecting the region. This is accomplished by co-locating the participating agencies to ensure they have access to information in a timely manner, create force multipliers, and concentrates operations. This allows the focus to be split by the participating law enforcement agencies, among multiple priorities on a routing basis, while permitting flexible surge in focus during moments of crisis or operational need. Law enforcement agencies that are currently constituents to the El Paso TAG are: El Paso Police Department, Texas Department of Public Safety, El Paso County Sheriff's Office, El Paso County District Attorney's Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, Drug Enforcement Administration, and Homeland Security Investigations. Agencies that will be participating with the constituents are: El Paso Intelligence Center, United States Attorney's Office, High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area-ISC, United States Probation Office-El Paso, El Paso Independent School District, Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and United States Probation Office-New Mexico.

#### Problem Statement:

El Paso is the largest of seven cities in El Paso County, with a 249 square mile area and an estimated population of 686,077. The county itself is over 1,012.7 square miles with an estimated population of 837,918. The diverse nature of organized crime in the El Paso metropolitan area, includes local street gangs, drug trafficking and transnational organizations. These groups exploit the proximity of the border, the numerous ports of entry, railways, large interstate highway systems, and bordering states to their advantage in the furtherance of their criminal organizations in the form of trafficking of drugs, contraband, weapons, and humans. All of which pose a serious threat to the community. According to the El Paso Police Department's Threat Domain Assessment, the most prominent and active criminal organizations and gangs are the Tango Blast, Mexican Maña, Chuco Tango, and the Texas Syndicate. In addition, local sects of the Folk Nation, Sureños, Crips, Varrio Northeast, 19th Street, MS-13, Bloods, Barrio San Juan, Hated by Many, and Varrio Glenwood Street are all active on El Paso streets. The most current Texas Department of Public Safety-Gang Threat Assessment stated that street gangs, prison gangs, and outlaw motorcycle gangs are also present in the El Paso area, with the largest gang, Barrio Azteca having over 943 members. Folk Nation is the largest and most active - African American Gang in the El Paso region with 312 members, Bloods have 299 members, and Crips have 270 members. Sureños are the most active Hispanic street gang with over 658 members. Drug Trafficking Organizations (OTO's) and Transnational Criminal Organizations are active in the El Paso region. Notorious groups Identified as operating are the Sinaloa Cartel, Vicente Carrillo Fuentes-La Linea, and pockets of tos Zetas. These organizations affiliate with local criminal gangs in virtually every type of criminal activity. They are involved in human trafficking, drug trafficking, extortion, home invasion, metal and heavy equipment theft, major fraud, money laundering, bulk cash smuggling, kidnapping, and murder for hire. Just as drugs and humans are being smuggled into the country; currency, stolen property, weapons are also being smuggled into Mexico for the cartels. El Paso area gangs have also taken part in murder, kidnapping, money laundering, fraud, organized retail thefts, home invasions, robberies, burglaries, prostitution of adults/minors, illegal gambling operations, and drug dealing. Transnational criminal organization have begun to work hand in hand with local gangs using better intelligence, stronger organizational practices, and advanced technology in the pursuit of furthering their profits. Drug stash houses are prominent as shipments of drugs are transported from the border to a stash house in the El Paso area before being packaged and distributed locally and across the country. Over the last two years, the combined efforts of the two largest law enforcement agencies have resulted in 4,955 gang members arrested for offenses in the El Paso Region. These offenses include but are not limited to murder, drug offenses, weapons charges, burglaries, sexual assaults, and aggravated robbery.

Barrio Azteca gang members were responsible for S88 of these arrests, Sureños 348, Folk 290, Bloods 244, Chuco Tango 158, and Crips with 156. The El Paso Gang Unit handled 630 gang related cases with 232 arrests and Texas Department of Public Safety's Gang unit had 208 arrests over the same two-year period.

#### **Supporting Data:**

The most current Threat Domain Assessment produced by the El Paso Police Department's Fusion Center finds that there are three Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTOs) operating in the El Paso Region: Sinaloa Cartel, VCF-La Linea, and Los Zetas. There are five prison gangs: Barrio Azteca, Chuco Tango, Mexican Mafla, Tango Blast, and Texas Syndicate. The ten most active street gangs identified are Folk Nation, Sureños, Crips, Vario Northeast, 19th Street, MS-13, Bloods, Barrio San Juan, Hated by Many, and Varrio Glenwood Street. According to the mentioned assessment, the top five overall threats in the El Paso region are: Barrio Azteca, Bandidos, Sinaloa Cartel, VCF-La Linea, Folk Nation, and Sureños. The El Paso Police Department's gang data base has 330 documented gangs with 6,460 gang members. El Paso's largest gang is the Barrio Azteca with 943 documented gang members.

# **Project Approach & Activities:**

The goal of the Ei Paso TAG project is to coordinate law enforcement activity targeted at gangs and other criminal organizations operating in or affecting the region. This would be done by co-locating representatives from key federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in a single, dedicated facility known as the Texas Anti-Gang Center. By housing all of these agencies in a single building equipped with advanced technology, the TAG center would enable the co-locating law enforcement agencies to more effectively and efficiently cooperate, coordinate, and collaborate on investigative and intelligence efforts. These collaborative efforts would result in reducing gang violence and crime in the Ei Paso Region, along with the entire area covered by DPS Region 4.

Capacity & Capabilities:

Currently, several Federal, State and local law enforcement agencies are housed in the new El Paso TAG Center. Operations will be driven by an Executive Board composed of executive staff from the law enforcement agencies comprising the TAG, and overseen by an administrator appointed by the board. The El Paso TAG will be centrally located in a 20,000 square foot building equipped with advanced technology. Colocating the participating agencies will ensure agencies have access to information in a timely manner, create force multipliers, and concentrate operations. This allows the participating law enforcement agencies to split their focus among multiple priorities on a routing basis, while permitting flexible surges during moments of cosis or operational need. The TAG Center will enable the participating law enforcement agencies to more efficiently and effectively cooperate and collaborate on intelligence, investigations, and operational activities related to combating gangs and other criminal organizations operating in or affecting the region, Law enforcement agencies that are currently constituents to the El Paso TAG are: El Paso Police Department, Texas Department of Public Safety, El Paso County Sheriff's Office, El Paso County District Attorney's Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms, Drug Enforcement Administration, and Homeland Security Investigations. Agencies that will be participating with the constituents are: El Paso Intelligence Center, United States Attorney's Office, High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area-ISC, United States Probation Office-El Paso, El Paso Independent School District, Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and United States Probation Office-New Mexico, With the large number of military in the El Paso Region, a working relationship with US Army CID would also be a benefit to the TAG Center. The El Paso Police Department will be the grant recipient and their Grants Unit will ensure the highest standard of fiscal controls. All Financial Status Reports will be certified by the City of El Paso- Office of the Comptroller. The City of El Paso-Purchasing Office operates autonomously to ensure that grant funded purchases comply with all applicable laws and guidelines. The El Paso Police Department will review all project processes to ensure full compliance with local, state, and federal regulations

#### Performance Management:

Goal: to centrally co-locate gang officers from federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to gather intelligence, analyze the intelligence, and in turn disseminate the information to area law enforcement. The intelligence gathered by the participating agencies in the TAG Center would then take that intelligence and use it to tactically disrupt the on-going criminal activities of the gangs operating in the El Paso Region. Objective: to reduce and or eliminate criminal gang activity and violence associated with gangs in the El Paso region. Measures: The following data will be collected and reported quarterly as an indicator output measure of success: 1. Number of gang members arrested for felony offenses 2. Number of gangs targeted 3. Number of weapons seized 4. Number of gang members arrested for misdemeanor offenses. 5. Number of TAG participating agencies. In addition, the following outcome measures will be reported quarterly: 1. Number of gang member convictions 2. The dollar value of cash forfeitures, (actual not donated-see note below) as clarified by the OOG, CID-Because this grant does not fund any field enforcement agents, forfeitures (seized assets) are not considered Program Income hence do not fall under the PI requirements as set forth in this grant application.

## **Data Management:**

The Ei Paso TAG Center will follow the models of other TAG Centers to develop protocols for collecting and disseminating relevant data and statistics. The TAG Administrator will be charged with developing specific templates to be used by each participating agency who will report their respective quarterly performance data. The El Paso Police Department Grants Unit will vet the data and submit the required quarterly reports to TAMU, PPRI. The TAG Administrator will retain all operational data generated by the TAG.

#### Target Group:

Criminal Gangs operating within El Paso and the surrounding region to include the counties covered by DPS Region 4: El Paso, Hudspeth, Culberson, Reeves, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Brewster, Pecos, Terrell, Loving, Winkler, Ward, Ector, Crane, Midland, Upton, Glasscock, Reagan, Crockett, Sterling, Irion, Coke, Tom Green, Schleicher, Sutton, Concho, Menard, Kimble, McCulloch, Mason, Gaines, Andrews, Dawson, Martin, Borden and Howard Counties.

#### Evidence-Based Practices:

The El Paso TAG Center will operate on intelligence driven investigative strategies. This methodology is based on the Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment (THIRA). The THIRA follows a four-step process: 1. Identify the Threats and Hazards of Concern. Based on a combination of past experience, forecasting, expert judgment, and other available resources, communities identify a list of the threats and hazards of primary concern to the community. 2. Give the Threats and Hazards Context: Law enforcement describe the threats and hazard of concern, showing how they may affect the community. 3. Establish Capability Targets: Law enforcement assess each threat and hazard in context to develop a specific capability target for each relevant core capability. The capability target defines success for the capability. 4. Apply

the Results: Law Enforcement estimates the required resources per core capability to meet the capability targets. The THIRA helps law enforcement determine what they need to prepare for, what resources they require, and what their current gaps are. Law enforcement can use this information to help them efficiently build and sustain preparedness capabilities. A good example in this investigative technique is the Barrio Azteca Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organization (RICO) Investigations. The El Paso Police Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Texas Department of Public Safety, Homeland Security Investigations, Customs and Border Protection, Texas Alcohol Beverage Commission have had several successful RICO investigations. These agencies combine their manpower and resources to gather and analyze intelligence information on this organization and developed strategies to successfully disrupt the organizations activities. The most recent RICO resulted in 19 federal arrests, 26 State arrests, 21 Federal Indictments and 29 State Indictments of Barrio Azteca Gang Members. In addition, over \$60,000 was seized, 9 weapons were recovered and over a pound of meth and a kilo of heroin were taken off the streets during the two year investigation. The Agencies are targeting FOLK Nation, Blood Nation and Sureños operating within the El Paso County Region. The agencies participating in the El Paso TAG Center have successfully worked together on Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDEFT) cases involving the mentioned criminal organizations. OCDEFT detectives targeted multiple members and affiliates of the Folk Nation gang whose members were distributing cocaine and crack cocaine in the El Paso metropolitan area. The cocaine was supplied through their contacts with the Barrio Aztecas, which is aligned with the Vicente Carrillo Fuentes Drug Trafficking Organization. The undercover investigations into this organization resulting in purchases of crack, cocaine, marijuana, methamphetamine, heroin and pharmaceutical drugs, resulting in the arrests of 38 subjects. Law enforcement officials representing ten federal and state agencies executed these warrants throughout El Paso, Texas, Anthony, New Mexico with twelve subjects being arrested. The most recent joint drug conspiracy investigation with the FBI into the Sureños Gang resulted: 2 CHSs developed, 3 TIIIs, 1 spinoff TIII to the Sacramento Division-Bakersfield RA, 5 pen registers, 12 arrests, 8 search warrants, 8 weapons seized, over 1 kilo of meth seized, over 13 kilos of marijuana seized, the recovery of 1 stolen vehicle, 8 disruptions, 10 intelligence products, and 4 sentencings. Searches subsequent to these arrests also led to the seizure of over \$3,500 dollars. In June of 2016 as part of Operations Pueblo Nuevo and Chimalli 13, Special Agent's (SA's) of the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Criminal Investigations Division (CID) with assistance from the Texas Highway Patrol (THP), Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), U.S. Department of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo (YDSP) Tribal Police Department, Socorro Police Department and assistance from the West Texas High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Gang Intel Support Unit disrupted and dismantled a poly gang Heroin distribution cell which operated out of the Ysleta and Socorro areas of El Paso County to Include the Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo Reservation. As a result of a gang Investigation, SA's identified a confirmed Sureño gang member. This sureño gang member is a key source of supply of Heroin out in the Socorro and Ysleta areas of El Paso County to include the Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo Reservation. Crime Investigation Department SA's conducted investigated techniques and were able to infiltrate his trafficking cell. Crime investigation Department SA's along with the assistance from YDSP Tribal Police were able to identify and conduct undercover purchases of Heroin from a (Barrio Azteca and Sureño Associates) Crime investigation Department Special Agents conducted a post arrest debrief on one of the Heroin traffickers who alleged that the above mentioned Sureño personally smuggled heroin from Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico into the U.S. via the Paso Dei Norte (PDN) pedestrian bridge. This information was corroborated by the HSI Border Enforcement Security Taskforce (BEST) who were able to confirm the crossing histories and placed a border crossing alert once a pattern was established. As a result of the border crossing alert, the gang member was arrested after attempting to smuggle one-hundred and fifteen (115) grams of Heroin. CID Special Agents obtained credible information that HERNANDEZ had bonded out of Jall and back to trafficking Heroin. Criminal investigation Department SA's developed probable cause and obtained a search warrant for this Sureños residence. On June 21, 2017, a multi-agency roundup was conducted which led to the successful execution of a search warrant. As a result of the search warrant, CID Special Agents selzed sixty-one individually packaged bundles of Heroin which weighed approximately eight point nine (8.9) grams, approximately two thousand one-hundred and sixty-one dollars (\$2,161.00) in U.S. currency, ledgers and cellular phones. The Heroin seized has an estimated value of approximately two thousand five-hundred and twenty-four dollars (\$2,524.00). The Sureño was arrested and booked for Possession of a Controlled Substance in Penalty Group One- over 4 but less than 200 grams of Heroin with the Intent to deliver (1st Degree Felony). In August 2016, as part of Operation 320 Sun City, the Texas DPS CID Special Agents conducted a warrant round up, where multiple arrest warrants were served to six defendants. This operation consisted of several investigations conducted by DPS CID Special Agents, El Paso Police Department, El Paso County Sheriff's Office, and the United States Border Patrol. The investigations focused on offenses such as engaging in organized criminal activity and manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance penalty group 1. The Texas Highway Patrol, United States Marshals Service, El Paso Police Department, El Paso County Sherif's Office, and the United States Border Patrol all assisted in the operation. Special Agents and assisting Officers arrested three women and three men. These Individuals had ties to Chuco Tango, Sureños, and Texas Syndicate Gangs. Arrest Teams attempted to locate nine defendants at approximately 40 addresses connected to these subjects. During the arrests, written consents to search were obtained and a small amount of Marijuana (less than two ounces) was found as well as three thousand five hundred and fifty (\$3,550.00) dollars was seized. In December 2016, as part of Operation Heroin Battle, Special Agent's (SA's) of the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Criminal Investigations Division (CID) with assistance from the Texas Highway Patrol (THP), El Paso Police Department (EPPD), Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), U.S. Department of Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and assistance from the West Texas High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Gang Intel Support Unit disrupted and dismaniled a poly gang Heroin distribution cell which operated within the city limits of Ei Paso. The Heroin trafficking cell was identified as a result of numerous undercover purchases of Heroin from who associated with various gang members and sources of supply of Heroin. During the course of the investigation it was discovered that the target was being supplied by members of the Barrio Azteca, Texas Syndicate and Texas Mexican Mafia. During the warrant round-up, SA's executed two search warrants and seized a total of approximately ninethousand four-hundred and fifty dollars (\$9,450.00). As a result of this roundup a total of 9 defendants were arrested and indicted. In 2017 Specialized Urban Response Gang Enforcement (SURGE) initiative, The DEA El Paso Division Office continue to focus and actively pursue long term international investigations of Transnational Criminal Organizations based in the Southwestern region of the United States. The El Paso Division area of responsibility includes one of the most heavily used drug smuggling corridors on the southwest border. The most significant threat facing the El Paso Division is the presence of the Sinaloa and Juarez Transnational Criminal Organizations, as well as the Cartel de Jalisco Nueva Generación, responsible for the trans-shipment of illicit drugs crossing the US/Mexico Border for distribution throughout the United States. Investigations are routinely developed that are national and international in scope with a concentrated focus on the command and control structures of Transnational Criminal Organizations. The El Paso Division has worked diligently to identify the Transnational Criminal Organization's utilization of the Barrio Azteca, Sureño 13, Tango Blast, Mexican Malia, and Texas Syndicate for distribution of illegal narcotics and enforcement activities. The El Paso Division Office has numerous ongoing priority investigations targeting the El Paso based gangs and is actively collaborating those investigations with the Texas DPS, FBI, and HSI. Those gang investigations are currently active. As part of the HSI National SURGE initiative, HSI El Paso focused on the significant disruption of transnational criminal street gangs and their criminal activities. HSI El Paso, in collaboration with participating law enforcement agencies conducted a series of aggressive enforcement operations from March 26, 2017, to May 6, 2017. HSI El Paso strategically has developed and integrated a comprehensive approach to all enforcement operations conducted. HSI El Paso combated violent street gangs and others who posed a threat to public safety. The enforcement operations included the execution of criminal arrest warrants, search warrants, administrative arrests, and undercover operations involving narcotics. The operations resulted in the arrest of 26 members and associates of significant transnational gangs. This strategy will continue as the methodology or investigative technique based on the threat level and as seen by threat assessments published by Texas Department of Public Safety and the El Paso Police Department as well as the National Gang Threat Assessment published by the National Gang Intelligence Center. The gangs targeted will be the ones responsible for the significant amount of criminal activity within El Paso County.

Project Activities Information Introduction

This section contains questions about your project. It is very important for applicants to review their funding announcement for guidance on how to fill out this section. Unless otherwise specified, answers should be about the EXPECTED activities to occur during the project

#### Section 1: Program Enrolled/Served Population

This question is relevant for projects that serve or enroll specific individuals, rather than targeting the general public. This could include training, providing services, treatment programs, or offender programs. Please estimate the following for the project period, or if this does not apply to your project, enter "0" in each box.

Number of Individuals NEWLY enrolled or BEGAN being served:

0

Number of carry-over individuals enrolled/being served in the program at the beginning of the project period:

Number of Individuals who will successfully complete the program / full course of services:

#### Choose one:

X My program does not serve or enroll specific individuals

- My program's typical designed (ideal) length is best measured in HOURS of services delivered/ enrollment for each individual
- My program's typical designed (ideal) length is best measured in DAYS of services delivered/ enrollment for each individual

Enter the number of hours or days (depending on selection above) of the typical designed (Ideal) length of the program for each Individual. Enter "0" If you indicated that your program does not serve or enroll specific individuals:

# Section 2: Special Project Types and Information

Select all special project types that apply to your project.

Task forces: Project will support the operations and coordination activities of a task force.

X Yes

\_ No

If you answered 'YES' above, enter the name of the task force. If you selected No, enter N/A.

**GANG Task Force** 

If you answered 'YES' above, enter the agencies or organizations that participate in the above-named task force. If you selected No,

FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation) - Safe Street Violent Crime Task Force CBP (U.S. Customs and Border Protection) TABC (Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission) BOP (Federal Bureau of Prisons) EPPD (El Paso Safe Streets and Prison Gang Task Force) Gang activity: Project involves a focus specifically on gang activity.

X Yes

\_ No

Transnational and organized crime: Project involves a focus specifically on transnational and organized crime.

X Yes

\_\_ No

Border activities: Project involves a focus specifically related to the Texas-Mexico border.

\_ Yes X No

Human trafficking (select all that apply):

- Project focuses on human trafficking
- Project specifically focuses on trafficking of minors
- Project specifically focuses on trafficking of adults
- Project specifically focuses on sex trafficking
- Project specifically focuses on labor trafficking
- X Project does not have any particular focus on human trafficking

#### Section 3: Juvenile Justice Projects

Select <u>all</u> categories that describe the project's juvenile crime activities. Definitions are available here.

\_ Diversion \_ Mental health services \_ Aftercare/reentry After-school programs \_ Alternatives to detention \_ Community-based programs and services \_ Delinquency prevention Girl-focused services \_ School programs \_ Substance and alcohol abuse Disproportionate minority contact \_ Mentoring, counseling and training programs \_ Job training \_ Aptitude testing Diversion in a rural setting X Project does NOT have a particular focus on juvenile crime

# Section 4: Campus-Based Projects

This project is based on - or serves - one or more specific educational campuses (K-12 or higher education).

How many TOTAL students at ALL campuses will be served by the project? (enter "0" if this project is not based on - or serves - specific educational campuses):

List each educational campus that will be served by this project. Enter 'N/A' if this project is not based on - or serves - specific educational campuses.

N/A

# Section 5: Crime or Victim Type

This question is for justice projects that target specific crimes and ALL victim services projects. Others may enter "100" under "All other crimes". Applicants to serve victims of or prosecute/investigate/prevent exclusively child sex trafficking victims should assign 100% to that category.

Select the type(s) of crime or crime victim this project targets and provide the percentage of time dedicated to each. Applicants with projects that target multiple-offense offenders or multiple-victimization victims should assign percentages that best describe the activity. Percentages may not exceed 100%.

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Sexual assault (%):

Domestic abuse (%):

Child abuse (%):

DUI / DWI (crashes for victim services) (%):

Survivors of homicide (%):

Assault (%):

D

Adults molested as children (%):

C

Elder abuse (%):

C

Robbery (%):

C

Stalking (%):

D

Dating/acquaintance violence (%):

C
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Human trafficking (%):

0

Child sex trafficking (%):

0

All Other Crimes / No Specific Crimes or Victims Targeted (%):

0

Selected Project Activities:

ACTIVITY	PERCENTAGE:	DESCRIPTION
Gangs - Multijurisdictional	100.00	Provide Inter-agency cooperation under a unified structure to combat gang violence through gang prevention, intervention and suppression activities.

CJD Purpose Areas

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PERCENT DEDICATED	PURPOSE AREA	PURPOSE AREA DESCRIPTION
10.00	Adult Criminal Behavior: Prevention	To prevent crime BEFORE it occurs
40.00	Safety and Security: Educational Campuses	To increase safety and security on K-12 or higher education campuses
50.00	Prosecution and Investigation	To more effectively investigate and prosecute crimes

# Measures Information

# **Objective Output Measures**

OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Number of gang members arrested for felony offenses.	200
Number of gang members arrested for misdemeanor offenses.	250
Number of gangs targeted.	10
Number of participating agencies.	10
Number of weapons seized.	SO

# Objective Outcome Measures

OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL
Dollar value of cash forfeitures donated to the project.	0
Number of convictions.	30

# **Custom Output Measures**

CUSTOM OUTPUT MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL

**Custom Outcome Measures** 

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CUSTOM OUTCOME MEASURE	TARGET LEVEL

#### Section 1: Resolution from Governing Body

Applications from nonprofit corporations, local units of governments, and other political subdivisions must include a <u>resolution</u> that contains the following:

- Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to CID that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;
- 2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;
- A designation of the name and/or title of an authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant (Note: If a name is provided, you must update CID should the official change during the grant period.); and
- 4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to CID.

Upon approval from your agency's governing body, upload the <u>approved</u> resolution to eGrants by clicking on the **Upload Files** sub-tab located in the **Summary** tab.

#### Section 2: Contract Compliance

Will CID grant funds be used to support any contracts for professional services?  $\underline{\mathbf{X}}$  Yes

\_ No

For applicant agencies that selected Yes above, describe how you will monitor the activities of the sub-contractor(s) for compliance with the contract provisions (including equipment purchases), deliverables, and all applicable statutes, rules, regulations, and guidelines governing this project.

#### Section 3: Lobbying

For applicant agencies requesting grant funds in excess of \$100,000, have any federally appropriated funds been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant loan, or cooperative agreement?

\_ Yes \_ No X N/A

For applicant agencies that selected either No or N/A above, have any non-federal funds been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress in connection with this federal contract, loan, or cooperative agreement?

\_ Yes

No X N/A

#### Section 4: Fiscal Year

Provide the begin and end date for the applicant agency's fiscal year (e.g., 09/01/20xx to 08/31/20xx).

Enter the Begin Date [mm/dd/yyyy]:

9/1/2017

Enter the End Date [mm/dd/yyyy]: 8/31/2018

# Section 5: Sources of Financial Support

Each applicant must provide the amount of grant funds expended during the most recently completed fiscal year for the following sources:

Enter the amount (\$) of Federal Grant Funds:

58525522

Enter the amount (\$) of State Grant Funds:

63781274

#### Section 6: Single Audit

Applicants who expend less than \$750,000 in federal grant funding or less than \$750,000 in state grant funding are exempt from the Single Audit Act and cannot charge audit costs to a CJD grant. However, CJD may require a limited scope audit as defined in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements.

Has the applicant agency expended federal grant funding of \$750,000 or more, or state grant funding of \$750,000 or more during the most recently completed fiscal year?

X Yes

\_ No

Applicant agencies that selected Yes above, provide the date of your organization's last annual single audit, performed by an independent auditor in accordance with the State of Texas Single Audit Circular; or CFR Part 200, Subpart F - Audit Requirements.

Enter the date of your last annual single audit:

8/31/2015

#### Section 7: Equal Employment Opportunity Plan

Defined as an applicant that meets one or more of the following criteria:

- the applicant has less than 50 employees;
- the applicant is a non-profit organization;
- the applicant is a medical institution;
- the applicant is an Indian tribe;
- the applicant is an educational institution, or
- the applicant is receiving a single award of less than \$25,000.

#### Requirements for a Type I Entity

- The applicant is exempt from the EEOP requirements required to prepare an EEOP because it is a Type I Entity as defined above, pursuant to 28 CFR 42.302;
- the applicant must complete Section A of the <u>Certification Form</u> and send it to the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) to claim the exemption from developing an EEOP; and
- the applicant will comply with applicable federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in employment and in the delivery of services.

# Type II Entity

Defined as an applicant that meets the following criteria:

- the applicant has 50 or more employees, and
- the applicant is receiving a single award of \$25,000 or more, but less than \$500,000.

Requirements for a Type II Entity - Federal law requires a Type II Entity to formulate an EEOP and keep it on file.

- The applicant agency is required to formulate an EEOP in accordance with 28 CFR 42.301, et seq., subpart E;
- the EEOP is required to be formulated and signed into effect within the past two years by the proper authority;
- the EEOP is available for review by the public and employees or for review or audit by officials of CID, CID's designee, or the Office of Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, as required by relevant laws and regulations;
- the applicant will comply with applicable federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in employment and in the delivery of
- the EEOP is required to be on file in the office of (enter the name and address where the EEOP is filed below):

Enter the name of the person responsible for the EEOP and the address of the office where the EEOP is filed:

## Type III Entity

Defined as an applicant that is NOT a Type I or Type II Entity.

Requirements for a Type III Entity - Federal law requires a Type III Entity to formulate an EEOP and submit it for approval to the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice.

The EEOP is required to be formulated and signed into effect within the past two years by the proper authority;

- . the EEOP has been submitted to the Office of Civil Rights (OCR), Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice and has been approved by the OCR, or it will be submitted to the OCR for approval upon award of the grant, as required by relevant laws and regulations; and
- the applicant will comply with applicable federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination in employment and in the delivery of

Based on the definitions and requirements above, the applicant agency certifies to the following entity type:

- \_ Type I Entity
- Type II Entity
- X Type III Entity

#### Section 8: Debarment

Each applicant agency will certify that it and its principals (as defined in 2 CFR Part 180.995):

- Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal Court, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency;
- Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, faisification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; or
- Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in the above bullet; and have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

Select the appropriate response: X I Certify

Unable to Certify

If you selected Unable to Certify above, please provide an explanation as to why the applicant agency cannot certify the statements.

#### Section 9: FFATA Certification

#### Certification of Recipient Highly Compensated Officers

The Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) requires Prime Recipients (CID) to report the names and total compensation of each of the five most highly compensated officers (a.k.a. positions) of each sub-recipient organization for the most recently completed fiscal year preceding the year in which the grant is awarded if the subrecipient answers YES to the FIRST statement but NO to the SECOND statement listed below.

In the sub recipient's preceding completed fiscal year, did the sub recipient receive; (1) 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenue from Federal contracts (and subcontracts), loans, grants (and subgrants) and cooperative agreements; AND (2) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenue from Federal contracts (and subcontracts), loans, grants (and subgrants) and cooperative agreements?

Yes

Does the public have access to information about the compensation of the senior executives through periodic reports filed under Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or Section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986?

2 Yes

If you answered YES to the FIRST statement and NO to the SECOND statement, please provide the name and total compensation amount of each of the five most highly compensated officers (a.k.a. positions) within your agency for the current calendar year. If you answered NO to the first statement you are NOT required to provide the name and compensation amounts. NOTE: "Total compensation" means the complete pay package of each of the sub recipient's compensated officers, including all forms of money, benefits, services, and in-kind payments (see SEC Regulations: 17 CCR 229.402).

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Position 1 - Name:

Position 1 - Total Compensation ($):

Position 2 - Name:

Position 2 - Total Compensation ($):

Position 3 - Name:

Position 3 - Total Compensation ($):

Position 4 - Name:

Position 4 - Total Compensation ($):

Position 5 - Name:

Position 5 - Total Compensation ($):
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#### Fiscal Capability Information

# Section 1: Organizational Information

Enter the Year in which the Corporation was Founded:

Enter the Date that the IRS Letter Granted 501(c)(3) Tax Exemption Status:

Enter the Employer Identification Number Assigned by the IRS:

Enter the Charter Number assigned by the Texas Secretary of State:

#### Section 2: Accounting System

The grantee organization must incorporate an accounting system that will track direct and indirect costs for the organization (general ledger) as well as direct and indirect costs by project (project ledger). The grantee must establish a time and effort system to track personnel costs by project. This should be reported on an hourly basis, or in increments of an hour.

Is there a list of your organization's accounts identified by a specific number (i.e., a general ledger of accounts).  Select the appropriate response:  Yes  No
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Does the accounting system include a project ledger to record expenditures for each Program by required budget cost categories? Select the appropriate response: Yes No
Is there a timekeeping system that allows for grant personnel to identify activity and requires signatures by the employee and his or her supervisor?
Select the appropriate response: _ Yes _ No
If you answered 'No' to any question above in the Accounting System section, in the space provided below explain what action will be taken to ensure accountability.  Enter your explanation:
Section 3: Financial Capability
Grant agencies should prepare annual financial statements. At a minimum, current internal balance sheet and income statements are required. A balance sheet is a statement of financial position for a grant agency disclosing assets, liabilities, and retained earnings at a given point in time. An income statement is a summary of revenue and expenses for a grant agency during a fiscal year.
Has the grant agency undergone an Independent audit?  Select the appropriate response:  _ Yes _ No
Does the organization prepare financial statements at least annually?  Select the appropriate response:  Yes No
According to the organization's most recent Audit or Balance Sheet, are the current total assets greater than the Habilities?  Select the appropriate response:  _ Yes _ No
If you selected 'No' to any question above under the Financial Capability section, in the space provided below explain what action will be taken to ensure accountability.  Enter your explanation:
Section 4: Budgetary Controls
Grant agencies should establish a system to track expenditures against budget and / or funded amounts.
Are there budgetary controls in effect (e.g., comparison of budget with actual expenditures on a monthly basis) to include drawing down grant funds in excess of:
a) Total funds authorized on the Statement of Grant Award? _ Yes _ No
b) Total funds available for any budget category as stipulated on the Statement of Grant Award?  _ Yes _ No
If you selected 'No' to any question above under the Budgetary Controls section, in the space provided below please explain what action will be taken to ensure accountability.  Enter your explanation:

# **Section 5: Internal Controls**

Grant agencies must safeguard cash receipts, disbursements, and ensure a segregation of duties exist. For example, one person should not have authorization to sign checks and make deposits.

Are accounting entries supported by appropriate documentation (e.g., purchase orders, vouchers, receipts, involces)? Select the appropriate response:

\_ Yes \_ No

Is there separation of responsibility in the receipt, payment, and recording of costs? Select the appropriate response:

\_Yes

If you selected 'No' to any question above under the Internal Controls section, in the space provided below please explain what action will be taken to ensure accountability.

Enter your explanation:

# **Budget Details Information Budget Information by Budget Line Item:**

CATEGORY	SUB CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	00G	CASH MATCH	IN- KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL	UNIT/%
Personnel	Administrative and/or Assistant Director	Administrative Assistant, Assist Tag Center Administrator with day to day coordination of the TAG center. (22.27% Fringe benefits and salary) = average 96114.00for 20 months	\$96,114.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$96,114.00	100
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Computer Software and Media	Purchase Computers, laptops, software, etc. \$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Computer Software and Media	Web site Support Average \$2,545.00	\$2,545.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,545.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Computer Software and Media	life sacn services \$11,366.00	\$11,366.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,366.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Costs for Space (lease or rental)	Office space for 21 months + maintenance, repair, rent, utilities \$716,133.40	\$716,133.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$</b> 716,133.40	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Data Storage Services	ADVENTOS SERVICES average cost \$14,993.00	\$14,993.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,993.00	0
		Utilities overage						

Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Electric, Gas, and/or Water / Wastewater	expenses, and utilities, cable, Long distance services, cell phone services Average cost \$ 43000.00	\$43,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$43,000.00	0
Personnel	Executive Director	Tag Administrator: Manage day to day operations for the TAG center. (22.27% fringe benefits and salary)= average \$215,557.00 for 20 months	\$215,557.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$215,557.00	100
Contractual and Professional Services	Housekeeping, Custodial, Building, and Grounds- Related Services	Janitorial services, pest control services, garbage services, outside maintenance, shred services, etc. \$8,8575.00	\$88,575.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0,00	\$88,575.00	0
Contractual and Professional Services	Housekeeping, Custodial, Building, and Grounds- Related Services	Repairs and miscellaneous upkeep of the premises average cost \$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	0
Travel and Training	In-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel	In-state travel to Ausitn, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, etc. for TAG conferences, meetings nad /or trianings \$39,000.00. All travel costs and reimbursement will follow official El Paso travel policy.	\$39,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$39,000.00	0
Contractual and Professional Services	Installation of Grant-funded Equipment and Data System	Lease services for Copier and DPS Circuits Average cost \$ 63467.00	\$63,467.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$63,467.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Internet Access Services	Wireless internet service and Fiber network service \$40,678.00	\$40,678.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,678.00	0

Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Office Storage and/or Workstation (\$5,000 or less per unit)	Purchase fumiture, chairs, desks, filing cabinets, safety equipment, mats, gym equipment, tools, appliances, and etc. totaling an average of 300 items. \$7000.00	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,000.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Office Storage and/or Workstation (\$5,000 or less per unit)	POD Rentals Average cost \$ 3,647.00	\$3,647.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,647.00	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Office Supplies (e.g., paper, postage, calculator)	Trash cans and liners, copy paper, refrigerator, erase boards, cork boards, center decals, paper towels, surge protectors, batteries, desk supplies, dry erase markers, paper, postage, and Janitorial Supplies, etc \$27,000.00	\$27,000.00	<b>\$0.00</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$27,000.00	0
Travel and Training	Out-of-State Registration Fees, Training, and/or Travel	Out-of -sate travel: Travel out of state for needed conferences or training in regards to TAG. \$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,000.00	0
Contractual and Professional Services	Program Consultant	Analyst full time position Average cost for 20 months \$167,544.00 includes fringe benefits	\$167,544.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$167,544.00	0
Personnel	Security	Overtime services and Fringe Benefits: 20 officers average 50.67 for 6 hours 1 day per month for 16 months total hours of	\$120,839.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$120,839.00	100

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Contractual and Professional Services	Security and Monitoring Services	Intrusion Alarm system Average 1,273.00for 20 months	\$1,273.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,273.00	0
Contractual and Professional Services	Temporary Personnel- Related Services	Auditing Consultants Average cost of \$5000.00 per year for 2 years total: \$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	0

# Source of Match Information

#### Detail Source of Match/GPI:

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DESCRIPTION	MATCH TYPE	AMOUNT

#### Summary Source of Match/GPI:

Total Report	Cash Match	In Kind	GPI Federal Share	GPI State Share
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

# **Budget Summary Information**

# **Budget Summary Information by Budget Category:**

CATEGORY	DOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL
Contractual and Professional Services	\$340,859.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$340,859.00
Personnel	\$432,510.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$432,510.00
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	\$916,362.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$916,362.40
Travel and Training	\$55,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$55,000.00

# **Budget Grand Total Information:**

TOTAL	 GPI	IN-KIND MATCH	CASH MATCH	006	
,744,731.40	\$0,00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,744,731.40	

# **Condition Of Fundings Information**

Condition of Funding / Project Requirement	Date Created	Date Met	Hold Funds	Hold Line Item Funds
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