



## Legislation Details (With Text)

**File #:** 23-0271 **Version:** 1 **Name:**  
**Type:** Grant **Status:** Passed  
**File created:** 12/30/2022 **In control:** Commissioners Court  
**On agenda:** 1/10/2023 **Final action:** 1/10/2023  
**Title:** Request by the Sheriff for approval to accept from the Office of the Governor/Criminal Justice Division grant funds in the amount of \$100,000, with no required match, for the FY 2023 Operation North Star Program.

**Sponsors:**

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**Code sections:**

**Attachments:**

| Date      | Ver. | Action By           | Action | Result |
|-----------|------|---------------------|--------|--------|
| 1/10/2023 | 1    | Commissioners Court |        |        |

**Department:** Sheriff

**Department Head/Elected Official:** Ed Gonzalez

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Regular RCA

**Type of Request:** Grant

**Project ID (if applicable):** N/A

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable):** N/A

**MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable):** N/A

**MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable):** N/A

**Justification for 0% MWDBE Participation Goal:** N/A - Goal not applicable to request

### Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the Sheriff for approval to accept from the Office of the Governor/Criminal Justice Division grant funds in the amount of \$100,000, with no required match, for the FY 2023 Operation North Star Program.

### Background and Discussion:

This project will provide overtime funding for targeted law enforcement operations in areas with high rates of violent crime and overtime funding for community engagement forums to address the negative perception of law enforcement in areas with the greatest amount of gang and violent crime.

### Expected Impact:

The project activities are to 1) To provide additional resources to the Texas Anti-Gang Center to fund additional commissioned officer overtime for targeted enforcement operations in identified areas where criminal activity historically has been committed, is actively being committed and known criminal suspects are known to frequent; and 2) To continue to develop "police legitimacy and trust" within disadvantaged communities in

order to increase the level of overall cooperation with citizens and law enforcement effectiveness resulting in reduced levels of crime. It is our expectation, over time and with consistency, to develop actionable intelligence on career/serial criminal offenders and their organizations to significantly disrupt or dismantle their criminal activities and that in conducting enhanced community engagement activities, it will increase law enforcement/community cooperation and engage open dialogue in communities where this may not have previously existed.

#### Alternative Options:

The department is unable to fund this project without grant funds.

#### Alignment with Goal(s):

- ☒ Justice and Safety
- ☐ Economic Opportunity
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Public Health
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Flooding
- ☐ Environment
- ☐ Governance and Customer Service

#### Prior Court Action (if any):

| Date    | Agenda Item # | Action Taken                  |
|---------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| 2/22/22 | 190           | Approval of Grant Application |

#### Location:

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Countywide

| Fiscal and Personnel Summary   |   |           |            |
|--|---|-----------|------------|
| Service Name   | Sheriff - Crime Prevention - Gang Activity Disruption |           |            |
|  | FY 23   | FY 24     | Next 3 FYs |
| <b>Incremental Expenditures (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b> |   |           |            |
| Labor Expenditures   | \$80,000  | \$        | \$         |
| Non-Labor Expenditures   | \$20,000  | \$        | \$         |
| <b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>  | <b>\$100,000</b>                                      | <b>\$</b> | <b>\$</b>  |
| <b>Funding Sources (do NOT write values in thousands or millions)</b>          |   |           |            |
| Existing Budget  |   |           |            |
| Choose an item.  | \$  | \$        | \$         |
| Choose an item.  | \$  | \$        | \$         |
| Choose an item.  | \$  | \$        | \$         |
| <b>Total Current Budget</b>  | <b>\$</b>   | <b>\$</b> | <b>\$</b>  |
| Additional Budget Requested  |   |           |            |

|   |                  |           |           |
|---|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Grant   | \$100,000        | \$        | \$        |
| Choose an item.   | \$               | \$        | \$        |
| Choose an item.   | \$               | \$        | \$        |
| Total Additional Budget Requested                               | \$100,000        | \$        | \$        |
| <b>Total Funding Sources</b>                                    | <b>\$100,000</b> | <b>\$</b> | <b>\$</b> |
| <b>Personnel</b> (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs) |                  |           |           |
| Current Position Count for Service                              | -                | -         | -         |
| Additional Positions Requested                                  | -                | -         | -         |
| <b>Total Personnel</b>  | -                | -         | -         |

**Anticipated Court Date:** January 10, 2023

**Anticipated Implementation Date (if different from Court date):**

**Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note:** Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

**Contact(s) name, title, department:** LaStacia Spencer, Grant Analyst, Sheriff's Office

**Attachments** (if applicable): Statement of Grant Award, Order