



## Legislation Text

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**To:** Harris County Commissioners Court

**Through:** County Judge Lina Hidalgo

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**Subject:** Submit Application for Urban Area Security Initiative Funding

**Project ID (If applicable):** eGrant application #s 4346401, 4346601, 4346801, 4346901, 4347001, 4347101, 4348401, 4347301, 4347401, 4347501, 4347601, 4347701, 4347801, and 4347901

### Purpose and Request:

*Request by the County Judge for authorization to submit an application to the Office of the Governor/Homeland Security Grants Division for grant funds in the amount of \$6,470,803, with no required cash match, for the FY 2021 Urban Area Security Initiative.*

### Background and Discussion:

*This grant is funded by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security via the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division and includes a suite of risk-based grants to assist state, local, tribal and territorial efforts in preventing, protecting against, mitigating, responding to and recovering from acts of terrorism and other threats. This grant provides grantees with the resources required for implementation of the National Preparedness System and working toward the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. The County has received funding from this grant program since 2002. Multiple departments such as the Sheriff's Office, Institute of Forensic Science, Fire Marshal's Office, Universal Services, Public Health, Office of Emergency Management, and Pollution Control, have submitted project proposals to be included in the application.*

### Fiscal Impact:

*If fully funded, the County will receive \$6.4 million to implement twelve projects that would impact the County's preparedness and response to terrorist events and other emergencies.*

Fiscal Summary			
Expenditures	FY 20-21	FY 21-22 Projected	Future Years Projected [3 additional years]
Service Impacted: <i>Homeland Security preparedness</i>	<b><u>\$6,472,538</u></b>	<b><u>\$6,470,803</u></b>	<b><u>\$18,000,000</u></b>
Existing Budget			
Additional Appropriation			
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b><u>\$6,472,538</u></b>	<b><u>\$6,470,803</u></b>	<b><u>\$18,000,000</u></b>

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**Alternatives:**

*Without this funding the County would need to find alternate funding, possibly utilize general funds, to maintain a robust Homeland Security Program.*

**Alignment with Strategic Objective:**

*The Strategic Objective is to coordinate efforts across jurisdictions, disciplines, and resources that will build local resiliency to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and manmade or natural disasters by identifying and reducing capability gaps.*

**Attachments:**

Cover Sheet  
Court Letter  
Court Order  
Resolution