



## Legislation Text

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**To:** Harris County Commissioners Court

**Through:** Jim Bethke, Justice Administration

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**Subject:** Safety + Justice Challenge Sustainability Grant 2021-2022

**Project ID (If applicable):**

### Purpose and Request:

Request by Justice Administration for authorization to accept from The MacArthur Foundation renewal grant funds in the amount of \$500,000, with no required match, for the FY 2021-22 Safety + Justice Challenge Sustainability Program.

### Background and Discussion:

*Harris County has been participating in the MacArthur Foundation Safety + Justice Challenge since 2016 and has received a total of \$4.1 million used to develop jail population reduction strategies. This is the final round of funding that will be used primarily to expand community engagement strategies and to continue the racial and ethnic equity work.*

### Fiscal Impact:

*Not Applicable*

Fiscal Summary			
Expenditures	FY 20-21	FY 21-22 Projected	Future Years Projected [3 additional years]
<b>Service Impacted:</b> <i>[Please identify the division where expenditures will be incurred]</i>			
Existing Budget			
Additional Appropriation Requested			
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b><u>\$250,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$250,000</u></b>
<b>Funding Sources</b>			
Existing Department Budget			
Please Identify Funding Sources (e.g., Special Revenue, Grant, etc.)			
MacArthur Grant		<b><u>\$250,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$250,000</u></b>
<b>Total Sources</b>			

### Alternatives:

*Not Applicable*

**Alignment with Strategic Objective:**

*Educate criminal justice stakeholders and the community as to the existence and extent of racial and ethnic disparities throughout the criminal justice system. Strengthen the capacity of community-based organizations.*

**Attachments:**

*MacArthur Foundation Safety + Justice Challenge Sustainability Grant renewal award 2021-2022*

*Commissioners Court Order*

*MacArthur Foundation Safety + Justice Challenge Sustainability Grant Application*