



Legislation Text

File #: 24-0783, **Version:** 1

Department: Public Defender

Department Head/Elected Official: Alexander Bunin

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA

Type of Request: Grant

Project ID (if applicable):

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable):

MWDBE Contracted Goal (if applicable):

MWDBE Current Participation (if applicable):

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

Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request by the Public Defender for approval to accept from the Texas Indigent Defense Commission grant funds in the amount of \$134,277, with no required match, for the Y3 Future Indigent Defense Leaders (Cohorts 3 & 4) Program.

Background and Discussion:

Funded by the Texas Indigent Defense Commission, this grant is part of the Harris County Improvement Grant Program series. The Future Indigent Defense Leaders (FIDL) program aims to create the next generation of Texas public defense leaders. TIDC has partnered with the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association and the Harris County Public Defender's Office to create an unparalleled public defense training, mentoring, and leadership program.

Expected Impact:

Will benefit indigent defense by helping to train future indigent defense attorneys.

Alternative Options:

To seek alternate funding sources or discontinue the program.

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
7/18/2023		Previous year's award.

Location:

Address (if applicable): N/A

Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary				
Service Name	FIDL Cohorts 3-4			FY25
	Current Fiscal Year Cost			Annual Fiscal Cost
	Labor	Non-Labor	Total	Recurring Expense
Funding Sources				
Existing Budget				
Grant	\$	\$	\$	\$134,277.00
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Current Budget	\$	\$	\$	\$134,277.00
Additional Budget Request (<i>Requires Fiscal Review Request Form</i>)				
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Choose an item.	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Additional Budget Request	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Funding Request	\$	\$	\$	\$134,277.00
Personnel (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)				
Current Position Count for Ser	-	-	-	-
Additional Positions Request	-	-	-	-
Total Personnel	-	-	-	-

Anticipated Court Date:02/27/2024

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: Carmen Mireles, Office Administrator

Attachments (if applicable): Grant documents