



CITY OF  
**PORT LAVACA**  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

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To: City Secretary Mandy Grant

From: Chief Colin Rangnow

Date: December 20, 2022

Subject: Agenda Item

The Port Lavaca Police Department requests approval from City Council of the City of Port Lavaca to submit the grant application, grant #4679501, for the Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program, FY to the Office of the Governor. The grant would be operated for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

The Port Lavaca Police Department started the process in September of 2022. The Ballistic Shield grant had a limited window to start the process. As of December 20, 2022 the application is pending resolution from the governing body.

Grant #4679501 Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program is 100% funded. Funds will be used to purchase fourteen Ballistic Shields at a cost of \$4,410.35/each. All shields are Level III ballistically rated. Quote used for cost was obtained from GT Distributors for a total cost of \$61,743.50.

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Chief Colin Rangnow

Port Lavaca Police Department

**RESOLUTION NO. R-010923-2**

WHEREAS, the City of Port Lavaca finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Port Lavaca that the Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program, FY 2023 be operated for the 2022-2023 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Port Lavaca agrees to provide applicable matching funds for the said project, as required by the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office Criminal Justice Division grant application; and

WHEREAS, the City of Port Lavaca agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, the City assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

WHEREAS, the City of Port Lavaca designates the Chief of Police as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Port Lavaca, Texas, approves submission of the grant application for the Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program, FY 2023 to the Office of the Governor.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

ATTEST:

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Mandy Grant, City Secretary

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Jack Whitlow, Mayor

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Grant Number: 4679501

**Agency Name:** Port Lavaca, City of  
**Grant/App:** 4679501 **Start Date:** 10/1/2022 **End Date:** 9/30/2023

**Project Title:** Ballistic Shields  
**Status:** Pending Applicant Response

**Budget Details Information**

**Budget Information by Budget Line Item:**

CATEGORY	SUB CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	OOG	CASH MATCH	IN-KIND MATCH	GPI	TOTAL	UNIT/%
Equipment	Bullet-Resistant Shield	Ballistic Shields x 14 (\$4,410.25 / each) . All Shields are Level III+ ballistically rated. Shields will be obtained from GT Distributors (Quote#QTE0161329 / line 1 of quote)	\$61,743.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$61,743.50	14

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### Resolution from Governing Body

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

1. Authorization by your governing body for the submission of the application to the Public Safety Office (PSO) that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested;
2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds;
3. 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 the PSO 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 PSO.

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

### Contract Compliance

Will PSO grant funds be used to support any contracts for professional services?

Select the appropriate response:

☐ 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.

Enter a description for monitoring contract compliance:

### 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 grant, 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?

Select the appropriate response:

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ 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?

Select the appropriate response:



☐ Yes  
☒ No  
☐ N/A

### 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]:

10/1/2022

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

9/30/2023

### 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 (in Whole Dollars \$) of Federal Grant Funds expended:

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Enter the amount (in Whole Dollars \$) of State Grant Funds expended:

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### 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 PSO grant. However, PSO 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?

Select the appropriate response:

☒ 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:

5/10/2022

### 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, falsification 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:

☒ 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.



Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office  
Criminal Justice Division  
Funding Announcement: ***Bullet-Resistant  
Shield Grant Program, FY2023***

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this announcement is to solicit applications from law enforcement agencies to equip peace officers with bullet-resistant shields.

## **Available Funding**

State funds for these projects are authorized by a Budget Execution Order proposed by the Legislative Budget Board and ratified by Governor Abbott on June 28, 2022, pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 317.002 and Section 317.005(b). All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law. The Public Safety Office (PSO) expects to make available \$50M for FY2023.

## **Eligible Organizations**

Applications may be submitted by independent school districts, institutions of higher education, units of local government, the Texas Department of Public Safety and other educational institutions that operate law enforcement agencies employing peace officers under Article 2.12, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.

All applications submitted by local law enforcement agencies/offices must be submitted by a unit of government affiliated with the agency, including an authorizing resolution from that unit of government. For example, police departments must apply under their municipal government, and community supervision and corrections departments, district attorneys, and judicial districts must apply through their affiliated county government (or one of the counties, in the case of agencies that serve more than one county).

## **Application Process**

Applicants must access the PSO's eGrants grant management website at <https://eGrants.gov.texas.gov> to register and apply for funding. For more instructions and information, see *eGrants User Guide to Creating an Application*, available [here](#).

## Key Dates

Action	Date
Funding Announcement Release	08/17/2022
Online System Opening Date	08/17/2022
Final Date to Submit and Certify an Application	09/19/2022 at 5:00PM CST
Earliest Project Start Date	09/01/2022

## Project Period

Projects must begin on or after 09/01/2022 and may not exceed a 12-month project period.

## Funding Levels

Minimum: None

Maximum: None

Match Requirement: None

## Standards

Grantees must comply with standards applicable to this fund source cited in the Texas Grant Management Standards ([TxGMS](#)), [Federal Uniform Grant Guidance](#), and all statutes, requirements, and guidelines applicable to this funding.

## Eligible Activities and Costs

Funds may only be used for obtaining bullet-resistant shields compliant with the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) Level III, III+, or IV.

Applicants are encouraged to consider the reasonable cost of their request. PSO will evaluate applications based on the number of frontline peace officers and the average cost per shield.

## Program-Specific Requirements

**Eligible officers.** Grant funds may only be used to equip peace officers (as defined by Article 2.12, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure) directly employed by a law enforcement agency operated by the applicant.

PSO will prioritize the equipping of certain types of officers in the following order:

- 1) Peace officers directly employed by school districts;
- 2) Peace officers contracted by school districts; and
- 3) Other peace officers that may respond to school safety emergencies.

**Active Shooter Policy.** All eligible organizations that apply for grant funds will ensure its law enforcement agency adopts a Critical Incidents In-Progress (Active Shooter) policy implementing, at a minimum, protocols for assessing an active threat or violent encounter and immediately responding in order to stop the killing, stop the dying, and provide rapid casualty evacuation. The policy should include procedures that address:

- Concepts and Principles



- Community/First Responder Agency Notifications
- Mutual Aid Implementation
- Solo Officer Deployment
- Officer Team Deployment
- Follow-On Responders (Rescue Task Force)
- Incident Command - Unified Command Considerations
- Incident Debriefing
- Training

**ALERRT Training.** All officers provided with a grant-funded ballistic shield must have either attended 16 hours of ALERRT (Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training) training within the last 24 months or commit to attend within the next 24 months. ALERRT's upcoming course schedule can be found here: <https://alerrt.org/Upcoming>.

**Note:** Funding is available through the Public Safety Office to offset travel expenditures associated with attending ALERRT Training. Please refer to the [ALERRT Travel Assistance Funding Announcement](#) for more information on how to apply for these funds.

## Eligibility Requirements

1. Local units of governments must comply with the Cybersecurity Training requirements described in Section 772.012 and Section 2054.5191 of the Texas Government Code. Local governments determined to not be in compliance with the cybersecurity requirements required by Section 2054.5191 of the Texas Government Code are ineligible for OOG grant funds until the second anniversary of the date the local government is determined ineligible. Government entities must annually certify their compliance with the training requirements using the [Cybersecurity Training Certification for State and Local Governments](#). A copy of the Training Certification must be uploaded to your eGrants application. For more information or to access available training programs, visit the Texas Department of Information Resources [Statewide Cybersecurity Awareness Training](#) page.
2. Entities receiving funds from PSO must be located in a county that has an average of 90% or above on both adult and juvenile dispositions entered into the computerized criminal history database maintained by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) as directed in the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, Chapter 66. The disposition completeness percentage is defined as the percentage of arrest charges a county reports to DPS for which a disposition has been subsequently reported and entered into the computerized criminal history system.

Counties applying for grant awards from the Office of the Governor must commit that the county will report at least 90% of convictions within five business days to the Criminal Justice Information System at the Department of Public Safety.

3. Eligible applicants operating a law enforcement agency must be current on reporting complete UCR data and the Texas specific reporting mandated by 411.042 TGC, to the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) for inclusion in the annual Crime in Texas (CIT) publication. To be considered eligible for funding, applicants must have submitted a full twelve months of accurate data to DPS for the most recent calendar year by the deadline(s) established by DPS. Due to the importance of timely reporting, applicants are required to submit complete and accurate UCR data, as well as the Texas-



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mandated reporting, on a no less than monthly basis and respond promptly to requests from DPS related to the data submitted.

4. Local units of government, including cities, counties and other general purpose political subdivisions, as appropriate, and institutions of higher education that operate a law enforcement agency, must comply with all aspects of the programs and procedures utilized by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") to: (1) notify DHS of all information requested by DHS related to illegal aliens in Agency's custody; and (2) detain such illegal aliens in accordance with requests by DHS. Additionally, counties and municipalities may NOT have in effect, purport to have in effect, or make themselves subject to or bound by, any law, rule, policy, or practice (written or unwritten) that would: (1) require or authorize the public disclosure of federal law enforcement information in order to conceal, harbor, or shield from detection fugitives from justice or aliens illegally in the United States; or (2) impede federal officers from exercising authority under 8 U.S.C. § 1226(a), § 1226(c), § 1231(a), § 1357(a), § 1366(1), or § 1366(3). Lastly, eligible applicants must comply with all provisions, policies, and penalties found in Chapter 752, Subchapter C of the Texas Government Code.

Each local unit of government, and institution of higher education that operates a law enforcement agency, must download, complete and then upload into eGrants the CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances Form certifying compliance with federal and state immigration enforcement requirements. This Form is required for each application submitted to OOG and is active until August 31, 2023 or the end of the grant period, whichever is later.

5. In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 420.034, any facility or entity that collects evidence for sexual assault or other sex offenses or investigates or prosecutes a sexual assault or other sex offense for which evidence has been collected, must participate in the statewide electronic tracking system developed and implemented by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Visit DPS's Sexual Assault Evidence Tracking Program website for more information or to set up an account to begin participating.
6. Eligible applicants must be registered in the federal System for Award Management (SAM) database and have an UEI (Unique Entity ID) number assigned to its agency (to get registered in the SAM database and request an UEI number, go to <https://sam.gov/>).

Failure to comply with program eligibility requirements may cause funds to be withheld and/or suspension or termination of grant funds.

## Prohibitions

Grant funds may not be used to support the unallowable costs listed in the Guide to Grants or any of the following unallowable costs:

1. Any costs ancillary to the purchase of eligible ballistic shields, such as policy development, training costs, and staff; and
2. Any other prohibition imposed by federal, state or local law or regulation.

## Selection Process

**Application Screening:** The Office of the Governor will screen all applications to ensure that they meet the requirements included in the funding announcement.

**Peer/Merit Review:** The Office of the Governor will review applications to understand the overall demand for the program and for significant variations in costs per item. After this review, the Office of the Governor will determine if all eligible applications can be funded based on funds available, if there are cost-effectiveness benefits to normalizing or setting limits on the range of costs, and if other fair-share cuts may allow for broader distribution and a higher number of projects while still remaining effective.

**Final Decisions:** The Office of the Governor will consider these factors and make all final funding decisions. Other factors may include cost effectiveness, overall funds availability, or state government priorities and strategies, legislative directives, need, geographic distribution, or other relevant factors.

The Office of the Governor may not fund all applications or may only award part of the amount requested. In the event that funding requests exceed available funds, the Office of the Governor may revise projects to address a more limited focus.

## Contact Information

For more information, contact the eGrants help desk at [eGrants@gov.texas.gov](mailto:eGrants@gov.texas.gov) or (512) 463-1919.