



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

**To: Mayor and Town Council**

**From: Kenneth Myers, Interim Chief of Police**

**Through: Mario Canizares, Town Manager  
Colin Ashby, Budget Officer & Grants Administrator**

**Re: FY 2027 MVCPA Auto Theft Task Force Grant Application**

**Town Council Meeting – April 28, 2026**

**Strategic Visioning Priority: 4. Provide Excellent Municipal Services**

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**Agenda Item:**

Consider and act upon a resolution authorizing the Town Manager, and/or his/her designee, to apply for the FY 2027 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority Auto Theft Task Force Grant. (KM)

**Description of Agenda Item:**

The Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) has announced the issuance of the Fiscal Year 2027 (FY 2027) Request for Applications (RFA). The application deadline is May 8, 2026. Pursuant to the Texas Transportation Code, Chapter 1006, and Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Part 3, Chapter 57, eligible entities may receive grant funding from the MVCPA to support law enforcement agencies and task forces in combating motor vehicle crime. Furthermore, the Town of Prosper is the grantee agency with several sub-grantee agencies under the Auto Theft Task Force and as such those agencies have line items within the overall budget.

The Town of Prosper has been awarded several grants for the past two years from the MVCPA and requests to continue the grants for FY 2027.

For FY 2026, the Town of Prosper was awarded 2 grants from the 2026 MVCPA Auto Theft Task Force and the 2026 MVCPA Catalytic Converter Theft Task Force Grant. The Town of Prosper is requesting continuation of the related budget items and footprint from the FY2026 grant in which the town was responsible for cash match of approximately \$187,999. This is approximately 20 percent of the MVCPA requested funds. The Town of Prosper would maintain this level of spending for FY2027. There is a possibility that there could be a negotiation period in which the MVCPA provides additional funding to the Task Force. It should also be noted that the Auto Theft Task Force has several opportunities for cash match by conducting 68-A VIN inspections at \$40.00 per inspection and other revenue functions provided by grant activities. The Task Force is currently conducting 68-A inspections.

The Town of Prosper with this continuation grant anticipate funding the following grant items.

1. 2 Positions (Detective/Task Force Auto Theft Prevention Coordinator and Crime Analyst)

2. Overtime, Training and Travel
3. Flock ALPR, OSINT NOVA and DFR equipment
4. Vehicle (Most likely shared expense at 50 percent with MVCPA for Auto Crimes Enforcement).
5. Computers and Equipment
6. Supplies and other expenses.

The Town anticipates continuing to seek annual approval to apply for MVCPA grant funding to support and expand these critical initiatives.

Please note: This is a reimbursement grant. The Town will initially fund all personnel overtime, travel, training and equipment costs from the General Fund, and MVCPA will reimburse 80% of eligible expenses upon approval.

**Budget Impact:**

The Town's cash match portion is estimated at approximately \$187,999 and will be funded through the Police Department's General Fund allocation in fiscal year 2027. The total project cost will be supported through a combination of MVCPA grant funds and Town budget authority. There will be a budget impact in fiscal year 2027 associated with the Town's required match and allocated funding with MVCPA reimbursing the town's non-cash match through the grant.

**Legal Obligations and Review:**

Terrence Welch of Brown & Hofmeister, L.L.P., has approved the attached documents as to form and legality.

**Attached Documents:**

1. Application
2. Resolution

**Town Staff Recommendation:**

Town staff recommend the Town Council approve a resolution authorizing the Town Manager, and/or his/her designee, to apply for the FY 2027 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority Auto Theft Task Force Grant and approve the authorization to accept the FY 2027 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority Auto Task Force Grant, if awarded. A future budget amendment will be requested to account for the grant income and to allocate funding for this project.

**Proposed Motion:**

I move to approve a resolution authorizing the Town Manager, and/or his/her designee, to apply for the FY 2027 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority Task Force Grant and approve the authorization to accept the FY 2027 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority Auto Task Force Grant if awarded.