

Thank you for your agency interest in joining the 287(g) Task Force Model program. Please reach out if you have any questions.

Lots of information summarized in this message... but right now, I only need the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and the Letter of Interest if you have letterhead that you can easily use. Otherwise, you can skip the Letter of Interest.

To begin the process of becoming a participating 287(g) Task Force partner, we need a letter of interest (attached) and a signed Task Force MOA (fillable MOA attached as well).

The letter of interest is a fillable format and can be copied and placed on your letterhead. Just sign and send it back to me. The form asks how many officers/deputies you'd like to enroll in the program. The number you put there is not binding. You can adjust it at any time. It's used by headquarters to estimate funding, etc.

The second step is the Task Force MOA. Every department is different. Some have presented it to city council and /or commissioners court prior to signing, while others have signed and sent back immediately. Please take all the time and do what's best for your office. We are available to answer questions if needed. Once the MOA is signed, please send it to me. I will then forward a partner packet to HQ for Director signatures. Once received by HQ, getting the Director's signature takes approximately 1 week.

After all parties have signed, you'll be contacted by a contracted group in DC called cap-gemni or ERO287g. Their email looks like this CGS287g@ice.dhs.gov or ERO287g@ice.dhs.gov, and often appears in our partner's junk or spam box. CGS287g will send you an email directly asking for a list of officers you would like added to the program (SASS forms) by Excel. They will then move forward in assigning training links to each of the officers you listed in the SASS form.

Steps:

1. Sign MOA and return to me. I will forward to ICE director for concurring signature.
2. Submit officer names for 287(g) training via the spreadsheet you will receive after HQ signs the MOA.
3. Usually on a Thursday, each officer/deputy will get a direct email to complete the Form 70-006 (authorizations) and instructions on registering for the eFLETC online course.
4. Complete the online training and print out temp credentials.

5. Make first immigration arrest with ICE approval (you will then be an operational partner).
6. Receive and submit reimbursement packet that will be sent after your first operational arrest.

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- Credentialed Task Force Officers (DIO) gives authority to enforce immigration arrest via roadside encounters. They are directly supervised by an ICE supervisor and your officer/deputy will call in to confirm immigration status before making arrest. (Houston 24/7 command center line 936-520-5880 your officers can call for immigration status verification and arrest approval). I'll send more details once staff are trained.
- Once arrest is affected, LEA is responsible for transporting the alien to the nearest ICE office for processing (Houston locations, contract jails or to another task force officer or immigration officer)
- Officer background investigation waived due to peace officer status
- No kiosk, or ICE systems installed at jail / PD.
- 40-hour training is completed locally via virtual e-FLETC training (Officer has 60 days to complete once started). Many officers have finished the training quicker based on their comprehension of the topics covered
- No recert training

The initial one-time reimbursement stipend is to cover the cost of transportation (100K) and equipment wear and tear (7,500 per trained officer). ICE does not provide guidance to the partner on how to use/spend the reimbursement, it's the departments to use for those broadly defined vehicle and equipment needs. The reimbursement will be electronically transferred to the agency using their SAMS account or the account information provided by your office.

Your department will be able to bill ICE monthly for any hours spent conducting ICE related enforcement functions. Training on how to fill out the monthly billables will be provided by HQ (virtually) once the initial stipend paperwork is completed.

There was a recent update to the final stipend in 2026, below are a few of the enhancements.

Major changes include:

1. The equipment stipend of \$7,500 per credentialed Task Force officer (TFO), is now a ***quarterly incentive.****
2. A new Information Technology (IT) stipend of \$7,500 per credentialed TFO is a new ***quarterly incentive.****
3. A bank account confirmation letter is now required for payment of stipends via wire transfer.
4. All of a LEA's TFOs must have a completed and signed ICE Form 70-006 on file with ICE for the LEA to qualify for either stipend which will happen at the beginning of the training process.

**Please note incentives are not guaranteed and will be awarded based on a LEA's continued engagement in purposeful and intentional immigration enforcement activities. Incentives will be distributed as long as funding remains available.*

Financial information below is conceptual and you will be able to reach back directly to the staff reviewing/approving your submissions for assistance.

The bank account confirmation letter is now required for payment via wire transfer and is a one-time request unless your agency's bank information changes. This requirement will expedite payments and reduce failed wire transactions. The bank account confirmation letter *must be on your bank's letterhead*, and include:

- Beneficiary account name (which may differ from your agency's name)
- Account number
- The bank's ABA routing number (**not** ACH number)
- The bank's incoming wire transfer fee

Operational LEAs must submit a quarterly invoice in order to receive the equipment and IT stipend payment, even if there are no changes to their credentialed officer headcount. Our finance staff will explain the details on the submission timing.

Our finance staff will reach out to you on all of this AFTER your first arrest and are great at helping partners through the process.

*All arrest must be approved by an ICE supervisor prior to enforcement. ICE will verify the status of each person in question and provide the Deputy/Officer the authorization to arrest. The Officer will complete a Task Force arrest sheet (attached above). The sheet must accompany the alien during transit! Please keep a copy for yourself for accountability and financial reporting.

*The Office of Inspector General (OIG) is conducting inspections on ICE's 287(g) oversight ensuring our arrest are legal, case processing is completed correctly and the reviewing the overall health of the partnership.

Link to the ICE Public webpage with the fact sheets and lists of current partners:

[Delegation of Immigration Authority Section 287\(g\) Immigration and Nationality Act | ICE](#)

I hope this information is helpful. Have a great week and thank you for your interest in partnering with ICE 287(g).

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