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Grant Administration Division Approval:	EO 10/13/2020	
County Commissioners Court Date Approval:		

Name of Grant: Texas Indigent Defense Commission FY2021 Formula Grant

Purpose of Grant: TIDC Formula grants reimburse counties a portion of the indigent defense costs incurred during the previous fiscal year, utilizing a formula based on available funding, county population, and fiscal costs compared to the baseline year.

Date: September 24, Announcement Date: September Submission Date: Due November 2020 2020 15, 2020

Name of Department/Division Requesting Grant: Public Defender's Office

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Pre-Application Assessment Considerations:

(1) Financial

i. Financial Breakdown -

Request Amount:	Will be determined at TIDC's		
·	Dece Mee	ember or January Board	
Match & Source:			
Cash:	To be determined		
In-kind:		-0-	
Program Income	-0-		
Total Anticipated Project Cos	st: Rein	Reimbursement for prior expenses	

ii. Staffing Requirements (including salary and benefits increases for multi-year grants, personnel amount)

The TIDC formula grants reimburse a portion of the County's indigent defense expenditures during the prior fiscal year. There are no specific staffing requirements, other than the funds have been spend for indigent defense.

iii. Operational Needs (i.e., office space, equipment, etc.)

The TIDC formula grants reimburse a portion of the County's indigent defense expenditures during the prior fiscal year. The program requires the County comply with TIDC's indigent defense standards, and submit the County's indigent defense plan to TIDC biannually.

iv. Grant Financial History (two year history, if applicable)

FY 2019 FY 2020
Grant Award \$ 853,436 \$ 861,661

v. Sustainability Plan

The TIDC Formula Grant program reflects an ongoing effort by the State of Texas and the Texas Indigent Defense Commission to assist Counties with the costs of providing indigent defense services.

(2) Programmatic

i. Alignment with County's strategic priorities and/or department/program plan

Submission of this discretionary grant application supports the County's priorities to further financially sound County Government, and facilitating a strong growing economy by leveraging local tax dollars, and seeking state funds to assist with costs incurred to meet State and Federally mandated services.

ii. Provision of expansion of services to address critical needs

The Formula Grant reimbursement helps reduce the County's indigent defense costs, by recouping part of its expenditures in the prior fiscal year.

iii. Department's capacity to administer administrative aspects of the grant

The Public Defender's Office has received a number of grants from TIDC over the last decade, and has worked closely with TIDC to develop successful programs, documenting the progress toward program goals, services delivered to clients, and ultimate benefits to the County of El Paso.

iv. Prior year grant performance data/accomplishments

Please see the above table reflecting the County's Formula Grant Awards for the last two years.