

**Grant Questionnaire Response Sheet: FY 2015 Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) Grant Application**

**How many employees will it add to the county payroll if and when the grant is withdrawn or terminated?**

None. This is a grant only for overtime, equipment, and supplies for existing personnel.

**How large is the grant in the current year and in future years if funding is continued?**

**Current year:** estimated at between \$2.5-3.5 million

**Future years:** Depending on future applications submitted by the Webb County Sheriff's Office and federal appropriations.

**What are the operating and maintenance costs of the grant that will be funded by the county and how are these to be paid?**

Minimal, if any. This grant assists in adding extra patrol vehicles and other law enforcement equipment to supplement locally funded law enforcement fleet and other law enforcement equipment as provided by the City of Laredo and Webb County to their respective law enforcement agencies. Furthermore, the maintenance/fuel costs of vehicles and other complex law enforcement equipment purchased through these grant funds is also an eligible grant expense.

**How many citizens will be served and in what way?**

Approximately 282,143 citizens will be served by increased capacity of the Webb County Sheriff's Office, the Laredo Police Department, and Webb County Constables' Offices 1-4 increased patrol presence for prevention, intervention, and suppression efforts utilizing overtime funding as well as by enhanced capacity of these sworn officer forces through the supplemental equipment/supplies provided by this grant.

**What is the capacity of the county's financial management system to monitor state and federal monies?**

Completely adequate due to the fact this grant has been maintained/monitored for several years.

**What is the probability the grant will be continued?**

Unknown. However, this grant does not have personnel nor on-going operational/maintenance costs associated with it.

**How will the county determine if the grant will be continued?**

This question is also not relevant due to the aforementioned mentioned nature of the grant.

**What long-term authorization has been given for the program at the state or federal level?**

This grant is included in Homeland Security appropriations bill.

**Must the county change any operational or financial procedures to meet the grant's requirements?**

Not at all.

**Will any ongoing county programs be brought under state or federal regulations because of the grant program? If so, in what way are they affected?**

Not applicable.

**What problem or need will go unmet if the grant is not accepted?**

Needed coordination of federal, state, and local law enforcement response to critical border security operations as well as supplemental law enforcement equipment to enhance sworn officer force capacities and increased patrol presence.

**What is the precise time period the grant funds may be used?**

To be determined. The grant funding agency is requesting a budget for 3 years, but there are always significant delays by the federal agency in the distribution of grant awards/funding.