

**ORGANIZED CRIME DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCES  
FY 2017 Agreement**

**FOR THE USE OF THE STATE OR LOCAL  
OVERTIME AND AUTHORIZED EXPENSE/STRATEGIC INITIATIVE PROGRAM**

Federal Tax Identification #: 74-6001587

DC#: S-32-

Amount Requested:

\$ 1,800.00

Number of Officers Listed: 1

From: January 16, 2017

Beginning Date of Agreement

To: September 30, 2017

Ending Date of Agreement

State or Local Organization

Narcotics Supervisor: Chief Investigator Rick Romo

Telephone Number: (956) 523-4040

E-mail Address: romo@webbcountytx.gov

Fax # (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Federal Agency(ies):

DHS - HSI/ICE

OCDETF Investigation / Strategic Initiative  
Number: SI -sw-008-15

Operation  
Name: Operation Heroin Initiative

Federal Agency Investigations:  
Number: \_\_\_\_\_

State or Local Organization Name and Address:

Webb County Attorney's Office

1110 Washington Street, Suite 202

Laredo, Texas 78040

Sponsoring Federal Agency

Group/Squad Supervisor: GS Jesus T. Rodriguez

Telephone Number: (956) 237-4034

E-mail Address: jesus.t.rodriguez@ice.dhs.gov

Please provide the name, telephone number, e-mail address, and fax number for the **administrative or financial staff person at the State or Local Organization, who is directly responsible for the billing on the Reimbursement Request:**

Name: Jessica Palos

Telephone Number: (956) 523-4040

E-mail Address: jpalos@webbcountytx.gov

Fax # (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

This Agreement is between the above named State or Local Law Enforcement Organization and the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) Program. This Agreement shall be effective when signed by an authorized State or Local Organization official, the sponsoring Federal Agency Special Agent-In-Charge, the sponsoring Agency Regional OCDETF Coordinator, the Assistant United States Attorney Regional OCDETF Director, and the OCDETF Executive Office.

1. It is agreed that the State or Local Law Enforcement officers named on this Agreement will assist in OCDETF Investigations, Strategic Initiatives and prosecutions as set forth in the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces State or Local Overtime and Authorized Expense/Strategic Initiative Programs, Policies and Procedures Manual, Fiscal Year 2017.
2. No individual Agreement with a State or Local organization may exceed \$25,000, and the cumulative amount of OCDETF State and Local overtime monies that may be expended on a single OCDETF Investigation or Strategic Initiative in a single fiscal year may not exceed \$50,000 without express prior approval from the OCDETF Executive Office. The OCDETF Executive Office will entertain requests to exceed these funding levels in particular cases. Please submit a written request including justification approved by the AUSA Regional Director to the OCDETF Budget Officer/Deputy Budget Officer when seeking to exceed the above stated funding levels.
3. Each Reimbursable Agreement will be allowed no more than six (6) modifications per year. In addition, if the funds for a particular Agreement are completely deobligated with the intention of closing that Agreement, it will not count as a modification for purposes of this policy. These amendments must be transmitted by a memorandum approved and signed by the AUSA Regional OCDETF Director or designee for the region and sent to the OCDETF Executive Office.
4. If an Agreement does not have any activity during the last ninety (90) days, the funds shall automatically be deobligated. The OCDETF Executive Office will assist with the monitoring of the aging Agreements. Further, if a State or Local Organization indicates that it is no longer performing work under a particular Agreement, the State or Local Overtime and Authorized Expense/Strategic Initiative Programs, Policies and Procedures Manual requires that a modification memorandum identifying the amount to be deobligated be submitted to the OCDETF Executive Office as soon as possible after determining that no work is being performed.
5. The State or Local Law Enforcement Organization agrees to provide experienced drug Law Enforcement officers who are identified in this Agreement to work on the specified OCDETF Investigation or Strategic Initiative. Any change in Law Enforcement officers assigned must be agreed to by all approving officials.

6. Officers who are not deputized shall possess no Law Enforcement authority other than that conferred by virtue of their position as a commissioned officer of their parent Agency.
7. Officers who are deputized may possess Federal Law Enforcement authority as specified by the Agency affording the deputation.
8. Any State or Local officers assigned to an OCDETF Investigation or Strategic Initiative in accordance with this Agreement are not considered Federal employees and do not take on the benefits of Federal employment by virtue of their participation in the Investigation or Strategic Initiative.
9. OCDETF and the sponsoring Federal Law Enforcement Agency(ies) for the approved OCDETF Investigation or Strategic Initiative will provide to the assigned State or Local officers the clerical, operational and administrative support that is mutually agreed to by the parties in this Agreement.
10. Officers assigned to OCDETF Investigations or Strategic Initiatives should work full-time on the Investigation(s) or Strategic Initiative(s) in order to be paid overtime. In order to satisfy the "full-time" expectation, a Law Enforcement officer should work forty (40) hours per week or eight (8) hours per day on a single or multiple OCDETF Investigation(s) or Strategic Initiative(s). Any established exceptions or waivers to this definition shall be requested by the Regional Coordination Group and attached as Addendum A to the Agreement. [The parent State or Local Organization must pay the base salary of its officers. In the event officers must work overtime on an OCDETF Investigation or Strategic Initiative, the OCDETF Program will reimburse the parent State or Local Law Enforcement Organization for a limited amount of those overtime costs.] The Organization is responsible for paying its Law Enforcement officer(s) for their overtime, travel and per diem expenses. To ensure proper and complete utilization of OCDETF overtime and expense allocations, reimbursement claims must be submitted monthly on the OCDETF Reimbursement Request Form. The OCDETF Executive Office may refuse payment on any reimbursement request that is not submitted to the OCDETF Regional Coordination Group within thirty (30) days of the close of the month in which the overtime was worked.
11. It is the responsibility of the State or Local Organization to retain and have available for inspection sufficient supporting documentation for all regular hours and overtime hours worked towards a specific OCDETF case. Officers' timesheets must reflect work towards a specific OCDETF case and must be reviewed and signed by an authorized State or Local official.
12. Analysis of reimbursement claims by the Regional Coordination Group may result in a modification of the obligation of funds contained within this Agreement as well as the time period covered. The Organization affected by any such modification will receive a memo notifying them of the changes.

13. Overtime payments, including all other non-OCDETF Federal sources (such as Safe Streets, HIDTA, IRS, ICE, FEMA, etc.) may not, on an annual per person basis, exceed 25% of the current approved Federal salary rate in effect at the time the overtime is performed. The State or Local Organization is responsible for ensuring that this annual payment is not exceeded. The Executive Assistant/OCDETF Program Specialist will monitor these payments via MIS and communicate to the Federal Agency Regional OCDETF Coordinators who provide status updates to any officer approaching the threshold.
14. The overtime log must be attached to the reimbursement request when submitting the monthly invoices. The Sponsoring Federal Agency Supervisory Special Agent and the State or Local official authorized to approve the Reimbursement Request must certify that only authorized expenses are claimed, the regular hours requirement is satisfied, and that overtime has not exceeded 25% of the current Federal salary rate in effect at the time the overtime was worked.
15. Under no circumstances will the State or Local Organization charge any indirect costs for the administration or implementation of this Agreement.
16. The State or Local Organization shall maintain complete and accurate records and accounts of all obligations and expenditures of funds under this Agreement for a period of six (6) years and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles to facilitate inspection and auditing of such records and accounts.
17. The State or Local Organization shall permit examination and auditing by representatives of the OCDETF Program, the sponsoring Federal Agency(ies), the U.S. Department of Justice, the Comptroller General of the United States, and/or any of their duly-authorized agents and representatives, of any and all records, documents, accounts, invoices, receipts, or expenditures relating to this Agreement. Failure to provide proper documentation will limit State or Local Law Enforcement Organizations from receiving OCDETF funding in the future.
18. The State or Local Organization will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all requirements applicable to OCDETF Agreements pursuant to the regulations of the Department of Justice (see, e.g., 28 C.F.R. Part 42, Subparts C and G; 28 C.F.R. 50.3 (1991)) relating to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, sex, age, national origin or handicap.
19. This Agreement may be terminated by any of the parties by written notice to the other parties ten (10) business days prior to termination. Billing for outstanding obligations shall be received by OCDETF within thirty (30) days of the notice of termination.

20. The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 requires that most payments made by the Federal government, including vendor payments, must be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT). In accordance with the act, all OCDETF reimbursement payments will be issued via EFT. All participating State and Local Organizations must complete and submit the attached EFT form. The OCDETF Executive Office must receive one EFT form from each participating organization prior to processing their reimbursement payments. In certain circumstances the OCDETF Executive Office may make exceptions for Organizations that are unable to accept this form of payment, however, such Organizations must include written justification in the addendum of each new Agreement.
21. All changes made to the original Agreement must be approved by the OCDETF Executive Office and initialed by the Executive Assistant/OCDETF Program Specialist of the Regional Coordination Group making the revision. The AUSA Regional OCDETF Director or designee must initial all funding changes.
22. The Regional Coordination Group is responsible for identifying and implementing any additional policy requirements, as needed, for its specific region. Those regional policies will be documented in the Addendum B and attached to the approved Agreement. The Organizations are agreeing to adhere to these additional requirements and must have written approval by the Regional Coordination Group for any exceptions to the regional policies.

This Agreement is not a contract or obligation to commit Federal funds in the maximum amounts projected. Funding allocations for the time period set forth and agreed to herein represent projections only and are based upon consultation between the sponsoring Federal Agency and the State or Local Law Enforcement Organization. They are, therefore, subject to modification by OCDETF based upon the progress and needs of the OCDETF Investigation or Strategic Initiative. Additionally, resources are contingent upon the availability of funds per the approval and signature of the OCDETF Executive Office obligating authority. The OCDETF Executive Office will approve and certify that all the terms and conditions of the Agreement have been met.

Each Agreement must be approved and signed by a State or Local Law Enforcement Organization official who has supervisory authority over, and is authorized to assign, the participating Law Enforcement officers to the OCDETF Investigation or Strategic Initiative.

Approved By: [Signature] Chief Investigator March 6, 2017  
Authorized State & Local Official Title Date

Approved By: [Signature] March 2, 2017  
Sponsoring Federal Agency Special Agent in Charge or Designee Date

Approved By: [Signature] 3/16/17  
Sponsoring Agency Regional OCDETF Coordinator Date

Approved By: [Signature] 3/24/2017  
Assistant United States Attorney Regional OCDETF Director Date

Funds are encumbered for the State or Local Organization overtime costs and authorized expense/Strategic Initiative Programs specified above. **Subject to availability of funds.**

Funds Certified: \_\_\_\_\_  
OCDETF Executive Office Date

Approving Official: \_\_\_\_\_  
OCDETF Executive Office Date

**ORGANIZED CRIME DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCES**

**STATE OR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS  
ASSIGNED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE AND  
LOCAL OVERTIME AND AUTHORIZED EXPENSE/STRATEGIC  
INITIATIVE PROGRAMS**

State or Local Organization: Webb County Attorney's Office

OCDETF Investigation / Strategic Initiative Number: sw-sw-008-15

The Law Enforcement officers listed below will assist with the above identified OCDETF Investigation or Strategic Initiative. Any modification of the list of Law Enforcement officers must be agreed to in writing by all of the parties to this Agreement, made a part of the Agreement, and forwarded to the OCDETF Executive Office.

| <u>NAME</u>        | <u>TITLE/RANK</u>     | <u>DOB</u> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| 1. Jorge Maldonado | Criminal Investigator | 12/13/65   |
| 2.                 |                       |            |
| 3.                 |                       |            |
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## **Addendum A**

Definition of "Full-Time Participation" Exemption

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The Southwest Region Coordination Group includes in the definition of "full time participation" as the State/Local Enforcement Officer working the same hours on the assigned investigation (s) as that of the case agent. Some regular hours MUST be worked before overtime will be reimbursed.

Any Other Exceptions or Justifications

There may be exceptions granted for special circumstances for one-time events such as canine searches, aerial surveillance, etc. All special circumstances MUST be approved in writing via email by Regional Coordination Group prior to use. If special circumstances are NOT approved in advance, the exception will not be granted.

Any other exemptions/exceptions must be pre-approved by the Regional Agency Coordinator.



## **Addendum B**

Identification of Additional Policy Requirements

**TO STATE AND LOCAL OVERTIME AGREEMENT  
STRATEGIC INITIATIVE FUNDING REQUEST**

Note: The following ONLY pertains to Strategic Initiative Funding Requests

State and Local agencies acknowledge that all proposed expenditures requested under State and Local Overtime funds are conditioned upon the Southwest Regional Coordination Group (RCG) approval concurrent with any pre-approval process by the OCDETF Executive Office before funding is initiated.

Furthermore, the requesting State and Local agencies acknowledge that any approval process from the State and Local Overtime funds are considered reimbursable expenditures.

Any State and Local agency seeking Strategic Initiative Funding should initially contact the federal agency point of contact. The federal agency point of contact will coordinate further responses with the RCG.

**ACH VENDOR/MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENT  
ENROLLMENT FORM**

**PAYEE/COMPANY INFORMATION**

|  |                                  |
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| Name: Webb County Attorney's Office        |                                  |
| Address: 1110 Washington Street, Suite 202 |                                  |
|  |                                  |
| Taxpayer ID Number: 74-6001587             |                                  |
| Contact Person Name: Delia Perales         | Telephone Number: (956) 523-4150 |

**FINANCIAL INSTITUTION INFORMATION**

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| Bank Name: Commerce Bank                         |
| Nine-Digit ABA Routing Transit Number: 114909903 |
| Depositor Account Number: 54404                  |
| Type of Account: (checking/savings) Checking     |

Please return with the Reimbursable Agreement

The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 requires that most payments made by the Federal government, including vendor payments, must be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT). A benefit of receiving payments by EFT is that your funds are directly deposited to your account at a financial institution and are available to you on the date of payment.

If you have any question regarding the delivery of remittance information, please contact the financial institution (bank) where your account is held.

If you have any question on the completion of this form, please contact the OCDETF State and Local EFT Coordinator at 202-514-1860

To inquire about a bill please contact: <https://www.ipp.gov/>