

APPLICATION FOR

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION Application Non-Construction		2. DATE SUBMITTED 06/29/2009	APPLICATION IDENTIFIER
		3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE	STATE APPLICATION IDENTIFIER
		4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY	FEDERAL IDENTIFIER
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Legal Name City of Pharr		Organizational Unit Police Department	
Address (city, state, and zip code) 1900 S. Cage Blvd. Pharr, Texas 78577-6751		Name and telephone number of the person to be contacted on matters involving this application Robert Garcia (956) 566-1176	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN) 70-6001875		7. TYPE OF APPLICANT Municipal	
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION New		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY Bureau of Justice Assistance	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE Number: 16.804 CFDA Title: 16.804 - Recovery Act - Justice Assistance Grants - Localities		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT Patrol Division Enhancement Project	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT City of Pharr			
13. PROPOSED PROJECT		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT(S) OF	
Start Date: 10/01/2009	Ending Date: 09/30/2010	a. Applicant TX15	b. Project TX15
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$103,630	Program has not been selected by state for review	
b. Applicant	\$0		
c. State	\$0		
d. Local	\$0		
e. Other	\$0		
f. Program Income	\$0	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?	
g. Total	\$103,630	N	
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS REQUIRED.			
a. Typed Name of Authorized Representative Ruben Villescas		b. Title Cheif of Police	c. Telephone number (956) 784-7794
d. Signature of Authorized Representative			e. Date Signed

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Program Narrative Attachment 1

1. Need for the Program:

This proposal will focus on one purpose area of the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) – Recovery Act for **Law Enforcement Programs**. These funds will be utilized to purchase four (4) law enforcement, fully-equipped, police cruisers (vehicles) with integrated Mobile Terminal Data, License Plate Readers, and in-car video technology capabilities in order to better deter, control, and reduce criminal activities within the City of Pharr, Texas. The Pharr Police Department (PPD) requires these vehicles in order to effectively and efficiently improve police services (i.e., patrolling, responding to incidents, and elevating the quality of life, etc.) for all citizens.

City Outlook:

Many of the leading predictors of economic disparities continue to be prevalent in the city of Pharr, Texas, the per capita income for the city is \$9,462. Over 36% of the population and nearly 31% of families are below the poverty line. Out of the total population, 47% of those under the age of 18 and 23.1% of those 65 and older are living below the poverty level. The unemployment rate in Pharr (zip 78577) is 7.85%.

Policing Issues:

The demand for police services continues to grow, making it increasingly more challenging for the PPD to meet this need. According to the Pharr Police Department Data Base, there were 58,000 calls for service received in 2007, of which 7 were for homicides and 97 for registered sex offenders. Recently, Mexican drug cartels have been described as the leading organized crime threat to border cities and the United States. The Cartel-related drug violence in Mexico has claimed the lives of more than 6,500 of which 1,100 lives have been lost thus far in 2009.

Crime Data:

Crime in Pharr by Year			
Type	2005	2006	2007
Murders	4	4	7
per 100,000	6.9	6.6	11.0
Rapes	17	26	23
per 100,000	29.4	42.9	36.1
Robberies	52	62	64
per 100,000	90.0	102.2	100.5
Assaults	125	98	155
per 100,000	216.4	161.6	243.5
Burglaries	573	597	792
per 100,000	991.8	984.2	1244.0
Thefts	2,183	2,525	2,586
per 100,000	3778.5	4162.7	4061.8
Auto thefts	156	217	318
per 100,000	270.0	357.7	499.5
Arson	17	5	7
per 100,000	29.4	8.2	11.0
City-data.com crime index (higher means more crime, U.S. average = 320.9)	349.8	374.5	419

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Regardless of where patrol is located in the command structure, patrol is considered the backbone of a police agency. It is the most visible element of policing; readily identifiable police vehicles operated by uniformed officers are often the first line of contact between the police agency and the community, lending an atmosphere of safety. Police agencies are created to serve the community, and the patrol division is the first line of communication between the community and the police agency. If this division did not exist, there would be little need for the rest of the police agency, because nearly everything a police agency handles begins with the patrol officer” (*Understanding Today’s Police* M. L. Dantzker 2000).

Therefore, the Uniform Patrol Division is the “backbone” of the Pharr Police Department and has assigned the largest number of sworn officer within the department. Our patrol division consists of 80 officers dedicated for traffic control initiatives. The current fleet of police vehicles consists of forty-five (45) units of which 25 units averaging about 120,000 miles and two over 140,000 miles.

Clearly, the need to patrol, problem solve as well as provide safety, security and peace of mind for all of the citizens of Pharr, Texas has never being more urgent!

Projective Overview:

This project will be spearheaded by the Pharr Police Department (PPD), which serves a population of approximately 61,000 and patrols a ratio of 22.5 square miles compose with a 114 full-time sworn police officers and 36 support staff members.

We are proposing to use JAG funds for the purchase of four (4) new police vehicles (cruisers) to replace the four existing highest mileage vehicles that otherwise would be more difficult to replace through the normal city budgeting process. The proposed new vehicles will also be fully integrated with the latest mobile data terminals (MDTs), licensed plated readers and in-car video technology capabilities. These technologies are one of the most essential and important pieces of information sharing for patrol officers (the first responders) in fighting border centric crimes. Our patrol officers are a crucial element toward fighting crime and controlling disorder, specifically in this border community which relies on timely and effective communication systems to cross multiple disciplines and jurisdictions in order to improve border security. With these fully integrated vehicles, officers will be able to search national, state and local databases (e.g., NCIC, NLETS, etc.) to exchange data communications on demand and in real time, thus providing critical information and reducing officer risk since this technology allows for officers to remain within the safety of their patrol vehicles.

More importantly, funds in the amount of \$103,000 acquired from the JAG – Recovery Act **will incorporate many of the performance objective/measures of the Recovery Act in order to potentially achieve, create, and preserve jobs within the proposed City of Pharr for their Police Department’s 2009-2010 Fiscal Year Budget.** It is the intention of the PPD for the expenditure of the police cruisers (vehicles) to be procured through the bid process in order to strengthen the financial stability of Pharr merchants and/or surrounding locally owned and operated car dealerships, thus preserving jobs. Furthermore, we hope to expand our workforce with funding requested through the 2009 COPS Recovery Act Grant Program. In fact, we

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currently have 8 police cadets in the Pharr Police Department Academy with a commencement graduation date on/or before September 15, 2009. We received authorization from the Pharr City Council and submitted a grant proposal requesting 10 new Community Policing positions, including a commitment to the requisite continued funding following the end of the grant.

Project Objectives and Goal:

Goal Statement:

The overall goal of this project is to problem solve and meet the challenges of reducing crime and disorder, create a safer environment, and improve the quality of life for the citizens of Pharr by purchasing 4 fully equipped patrol vehicles (cruisers) within 12 months of operations.

Process Objective 1:

To hire and preserve jobs equivalent to three (3) sworn law enforcement officers from the Pharr Police Academy pool of cadets by saving general funds monies due receiving JAG monies on/or before September 30, 2010.

Process Objective 2:

To purchase four (4) law enforcement fully-equipped police cruisers (vehicles) with integrated Mobile Terminal Data, License Plate Readers, and in-car video technology capabilities in order to better deter, control, and reduce criminal activities within the City of Pharr, Texas by on/or before September 30, 2010.

2. Capabilities/Competencies

Today, the Pharr Police Department has a \$10 million dollar operating budget and is staffed by 114 full-time sworn police officers and 36 support staff members housed in a new (built in 2003) 46,000 square foot building. The key operational philosophy of the PPD is community-based policing. We have implemented several federal and state funds stemming from COPS In Schools grants, the COPS Universal Hiring Program, and COPS MORE technology policing projects, totaling \$3.5 million from 1998 to 2002.

The proposed project will utilize two existing members of the department management team: (1) Lieutenant Robles, who will oversee the overall implementation and development of program activities. Mr. Robles has an extensive background and 14 years of experience in the area of grant program and fiscal administration and supervision of 80 patrol officers.

Assistant Chief of Police, Javier Gonzalez, he holds a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from the University of Texas Pan American. He also has an extensive background of 25 years and currently oversees all departmental and intelligence projects as well as community services. Assistant Chief of Police, Javier Gonzalez will be the **lead staff member to coordinate all grant activities.**

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More importantly, the Pharr Accounting Department has a system (i.e., Quick Books), which requires each department agency to set up a unique chart of account categories for each grant. Stimulus and regular fiscal year funds will have a separate account category that will allow the expenditures to be tracked for each particular grant. As for grant payments, there is a unique identifier for each individual grant payment or vendor type that the Accounting Department uses in order to make charges to a specific grant account. This allows the city to track the total funds expended and reimbursed for the grant. All programs receiving these funds will participate in quarterly financial and programmatic reporting for accountability and transparency, which must be submitted within 10 days of the end of each calendar quarter.

With this in mind, the proposed project activities will further address the work plan needed to deter, control, and reduce criminal activities within the City of Pharr, Texas. Job creation and preservation will be paramount to the success of this grant program.

3. Project Activities:

The patrol division has a broad range of duties and responsibilities in patrolling and/or responding to incidents (i.e., crime, assisting stranded motorists, and traffic accidents, to preliminary investigations of serious criminal offenses etc). They are responsible for basic accident investigation and enforcement of state traffic laws, regulations and city ordinances etc. They are committed to the highest professional standards by providing for the expeditious movement and control of vehicular traffic, and the investigation of crime, disorder and traffic accidents. We will implement the following project activities:

- 1) Protect life and property through diligent patrol and rapid service response
- 2) Aid individuals who are in danger of physical harm
- 3) Protect constitutional guarantees
- 4) Facilitate the movement of people and vehicles
- 5) Assist those who cannot care for themselves
- 6) Resolve conflict, among individuals, groups or government entities
- 7) Identify problems that have the potential for becoming intrusions in the community
- 8) Create and maintain a feeling of security in the community
- 9) Develop and implement strategies to enhance delivery of police service in the community
- 10) Regulate and direct motor vehicle traffic in a safe and effective manner
- 11) Investigate apprehension and ultimate prosecution of criminal offenders
- 12) Reduce the opportunity for crime through mutual crime prevention efforts

4. Timeline:

The Goals and objectives for bids, purchasing, configuring and implementing use of the Police Cruisers (Vehicles) and integrated technology/equipment will occur over a period of 6 months with at least 50% of the funds being expended within the first 60 days of the award. The final 50% expended next 60 day or on/or about September 30, 2010. **(For more details, see performance measures below etc.)**

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5. Performance Measure Plan:

The evaluation of the project will be a systematic process of accountability and transparency under the Recovery Act. This process will consist of collecting, analyzing, and interpreting information (i.e., surveys, agency incident reports, cadets graduation dates, and case dispositions, etc.) to determine the extent to which the stated objectives and goals of the project have been achieved. The evaluation will be on-going and will provide feedback to, program staff, chief of police, and JAG grantor personnel to allow for continuing program improvement and monitoring of fiscal efficiency. Our plan is to document financial and programmatic barriers and disseminate findings in our newsletters, pamphlets, annual reports, and MDT training workshops.

The following output/outcome indicators will be **notable milestones** in quantitatively evaluating the program's effectiveness in due course or with 12 months of operation:

Major Objective	Performance Measures	Data the grantee provides for 3-month reporting period	Output/Outcome 10/01/09 -9/30/10
To hire police cadets by saving general fund monies due to JAG allocation of funds	Number of jobs created (by type) due to Recovery Act funding.	How many jobs were created with Recovery Act funding this reporting period?	Number of Pharr Police Cadets hired
To purchase Police Cruisers (Vehicles) Fully Equipped	Amount of funds expended on Police Cruisers equipment/supplies during the reporting period	Amount of funds awarded to purchase Police Cruisers	Number of police cruisers purchased Number of departments that directly benefit from equipment purchased with JAG funds during the reporting period

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Budget Worksheet

A. Personnel **N/A**

Name/Position	Computation	Year 1
N/A		

B. Fringe Benefits **N/A**

Name/Position	Computation (Rate)	Year 1
N/A		

C. Travel **N/A**

	Year 1

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D. Equipment \$103,630.00

Item	Computation	Year 1 ONLY Cost
2009 POLICE CRUISERS	4 Vehicles x \$25,907.50	\$103,630.00
Fully Quipped Police Cruisers Vehicles Cage, graphics, License Plate Reader, in-dash- digital camera and Mobile Data Terminals etc.)		

E. Supplies N/A

Supply Item	Computation	Year 1 Cost

F. Construction N/A

Description	Computation	Cost

G. Consultants/Contracts N/A

Consultant Fees			
Name	Service	Computation	Cost
Contracts			
Item	Cost		

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H. Other **N/A**

Description	Computation	Cost
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Total Direct Costs **\$103,630.00**

I. Indirect Costs

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Budget Summary Page

A. Personnel/Salary Costs	<u> \$ 0 </u>
B. Fringe Benefits	<u> \$ 0 </u>
C. Travel	<u> \$ 0 </u>
D. Equipment	<u> \$ 103,630.00 </u>
E. Supplies	<u> \$ 0 </u>
F. Construction	Unallowable
G. Consultants/Contracts	<u> \$ 0 </u>
H. Other	<u> \$ 0 </u>
I. Indirect Costs	<u> \$ 0 </u>
 TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	 <u> \$ 103,630.00 </u>
 Federal Request	 <u> \$ 103,630.00 </u>
 Applicant Funds, if any, to be applied to this project	 <u> \$ 0 </u>

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Budget Narrative:

A. Personnel

N/A

B. Fringe Benefits

N/A

C. Travel:

N/A

D. Equipment

To purchase four (4) Fully Equipped Vehicles (i.e., light, sirens, graphics, License Plate Reader and Mobile Data Terminal,, Prisoner partitions,, Emergency lighting system and siren, Radio communications equipment, Rear plastics prisoner transportation seats using factory installed safety belts, Radar and in-car video systems etc.) Research has detailed the use of license plate readers integrated with mobile data terminals provides for a far superior technology which allows information to be organized in a form that can be easily searched by officers and other employees in a police department. Research has detailed the use of license plate readers integrated with mobile data terminals provides for a far superior technology which allows information to be organized in a form that can be easily searched by officers to identify vehicles of interest in the NCIC and TLETS databases, enabling the officer to be on the lookout for the vehicle etc.

E. Supplies

N/A

F. Construction

N/A

G. Consultants/Contracts

N/A

H. Other

N/A

I. Indirect Costs

N/A

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The Pharr Police Department Patrol Division Enhancement Project will focus on one purpose area of the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) – Recovery Act for **Law Enforcement Programs in the amount of \$103,630.**

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Our plan is to document financial and programmatic barriers and disseminate findings in our newsletters, pamphlets, annual reports, and training workshops. The following output/outcome indicators will be **notable milestones** in quantitatively evaluating the program’s effectiveness in due course: # of Partnerships Established, Amount of jobs created or preserved, and # of police cruisers (vehicles) purchased.

JAG REVIEW NARRATIVE

GRANT NUMBER 2009-G8102-TX-SB

JAG Issue:

To hire and preserve jobs equivalent to three (3) sworn law enforcement officers from the Pharr Police Academy pool of cadets by saving general funds monies due to receiving JAG monies on/or before September 30, 2010?

JAG Clarification:

The intent objective was to create more from the perceptive of being in compliance with performance (outcome) measure of creating and preserving jobs created with the Recovery Act funding. We were trying to say that the amount received will be the equivalent of paying 3 sworn officers' salary and benefits from general funds. We assure you that the existing Police Academy Pool of cadets is already budgeted within our general funds current fiscal budget Fiscal Year 2008-09. We sincerely apologize for any confusion this matter might have caused. It was never the intent to save general funds due to receiving JAG money, thus reducing local funds (general funds) for activity specifically because federal funds are available (or expected to be available) to fund that same activity.

In fact, for Fiscal Year 2008-09, City of Pharr (Police Department) has appropriated a total of \$10 million for law enforcement activities, including salary and benefits for 114 police officers and cadets with general funds as originally budgeted. The total expenditures of general funds for law enforcement activities remain constant. The City of Pharr will expend all of the \$10 million in general local funds as appropriated for FY 2008-09 for law enforcement activities.

Furthermore, in the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2009-10, the City of Pharr (Police Department) if awarded with the federal Recovery Act JAG formula funds in the amount of \$103,000, which will be used to purchase 4 police cruisers, in addition we will purchase 4 more with local forfeiture assets funds. In doing so, we will increase our total budget that would in the absence of federal funds be made available for law enforcement activities and will overall benefit the quality of life in our community.

More importantly, the Pharr Accounting Department has a system (i.e., Quick Books etc.), which requires each department agency to set up a unique chart of account categories for each grant. Stimulus and regular fiscal year funds will have a separate account category that will allow the expenditures to be tracked for each particular grant. As for grant payments, there is a unique identifier for each individual grant payment or vendor type that the Accounting Department uses in order to make charges to a specific grant account. This allows the city to track the total funds expended and reimbursed for the grant. All programs receiving these funds will participate in quarterly financial and programmatic reporting for accountability and transparency, which must be submitted within 10 days of the end of each calendar quarter.

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GRANT NUMBER 2009-G8102-TX-SB

Once again, please accept our sincere apology for any confusion that might have occurred regarding this matter.

Thanks Robert

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The city of Pharr Police Department made available to both the governing body (Pharr City Council Members) and its citizens the grant application in a public forum. We provide you with assurance that on April 21, 2009 the grant application was made public and an opportunity to comment was provided to the citizens of Pharr, Texas to the extent applicable by law and/or established by city procedure making such an opportunity available.



Pharr Police Department

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To: Mayor and City Commission

Thru: Fred Sandoval , City Manager

From: Ruben Villegas, Police Chief *RV*

Date: April 14, 2009

Subject: Request by the Pharr Police for a Public hearing on the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Application for Funding the Purchase of Police Vehicles and Consideration and Action of Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of the Application and Purchase of Police Vehicles with eligible \$103,630.00 funding

This request was routed to the City Manager's office for consideration by the city commission.

Background:

The Pharr Police Department received notification from the Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance of our eligibility for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for the amount of \$103,630.00. We must submit a grant application that requires that it be made available to the governing body for review. The application further requires that the public be provided an opportunity to comment on the grant application and use of funds. The grant does not require a match and is a 4-year grant.

Discussion:

This department presently utilizes 45 marked police vehicles in its patrol fleet in its execution of law enforcement duties providing for the public safety of its citizens. The patrol vehicle is essential and necessary assigned piece of equipment for Pharr Police officers to perform their duties and responsibilities effectively responding to calls for service. Due to police vehicle downtime due to maintenance and police operations being conducting 24/7 an adequate number of police vehicles must be maintained on the fleet.

A police vehicle wear and tear at 100,000 requires constant maintenance causing it to lose its effectiveness as an essential police officer equipment. Presently our fleet consists of 25 police vehicles with mileage ranging from 101,000 to 140,000 miles. I am therefore requesting that the City Manager be authorized through Chief Ruben Villegas as his designee to submit a application for the eligible \$103,630.00 funding under the grant to be utilized for the purchase of 4 police vehicles.

Ruben Villegas *Chief of Police*

Office: (956) 784-7794 • rvillegas@pharrpd.net

I am requesting that a public hearing be held at the regular called City Commission Meeting scheduled on Tuesday April 21, 2009. The police department intends to use the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds for the purpose of purchasing marked police vehicles. The purchase of the vehicles meets the grant expenditure conditions.

Recommendation:

Based on the foregoing discussion, I hereby recommend that the City Commission approve this item authorizing the public hearing as requested and a resolution authorizing the submission of grant application to secure funding for the purchase of police vehicles.

State of Texas

Resolution No. R-2009-25

County of Hidalgo

City of Pharr

Whereas, the City of Pharr authorizes Police Chief Ruben Villegas through the City Manager Fred Sandoval office to submit a grant application for the Edward Byrne Memorial Grant Justice Assistance Grant and be designated as the signing authority for this grant. The purpose of the grant funding will be to purchase police vehicles.

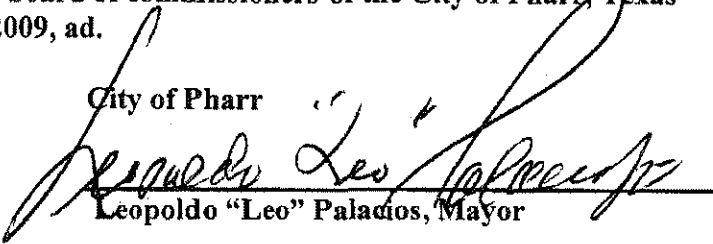
Now, therefore, be it resolved by the board of commissioners of the City of Pharr, Texas:

That the Police Chief through the City Manager of the City of Pharr, Texas, is hereby authorized to submit a Edward Byrne Memorial Grant application and designated as the signing authority for this grant for the City of Pharr;

And whereas authorize the grant eligible funding of \$103,630.00 to be utilized for the purchase of police vehicles.

Approved and adopted by the board of commissioners of the City of Pharr, Texas on this the 21st day of April, 2009, ad.

City of Pharr


Leopoldo "Leo" Palacios, Mayor

Attest:


Hilda Pedraza, City Clerk

Certification

The State of Texas

County of Hidalgo

City of Pharr

I, Hilda Pedraza, duly appointed City Clerk of the City of Pharr, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing Constitutes a true and correctly copy of the original Resolution duly passed and adopted by the board of Commissioners of the City of Pharr, Texas, on the 21st day of April, 2009, ad.

(Resolution no. R-2009-25)

*In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my official Signature and impressed the seal of the City of Pharr, Texas,
This the 21st day of April, 2009, ad.*

City of Pharr


Hilda Pedraza, City Clerk

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Recovery Act – Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

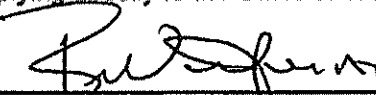
Certification as to Recovery Act Reporting Requirements

On behalf of the applicant entity named below, I certify the following to the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice:

I have personally read and reviewed the section entitled "Accountability and Transparency under the Recovery Act" in the program announcement for the Recovery Act grant program identified above. I have also read and reviewed section 1512(c) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5), concerning reporting requirements for grants. I agree that the applicant will comply with the reporting requirements set forth therein with respect to any grant the applicant may receive under the Recovery Act grant program identified above.

I acknowledge that a false statement in this certification may be subject to criminal prosecution, including under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. I also acknowledge that Office of Justice Program grants, including certifications provided in connection with such grants, are subject to review by the Office of Justice Programs, and/or by the Department of Justice's Office of the Inspector General.

I have authority to make this certification on behalf of the applicant entity (that is, the entity applying directly to the Office of Justice Programs).



Signature of Certifying Official

Ruben Villescascas

Printed Name of Certifying Official
Chief of Police

Title of Certifying Official
City of Pharr Police Dept.

Full Name of Applicant Entity
5/18/09

Date

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Recovery Act – Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

General Certification as to Requirements for Receipt of Funds
for Infrastructure Investments

On behalf of the applicant State or unit of local government (including tribal government) named below, I certify the following to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice:

I have personally read and reviewed the section entitled "Eligibility" in the program announcement for the Recovery Act grant program named above. I also have personally read and reviewed section 1511 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "Recovery Act"), which requires a specific certification prior to receipt of Recovery Act funds for infrastructure investments.

Initial the statement that applies:

_____ The applicant identified below **does not intend to use** any portion of any funds received under this Recovery Act grant program for any infrastructure investment. Should this intention change, the applicant will promptly notify OJP, and (except to the extent, if any, that OJP has given prior written approval to expend funds to conduct the review and vetting required by law) will not draw down, obligate, or expend any funds received under this Recovery Act program for any infrastructure investment project until section 1511 of the Recovery Act has been satisfied, and an adequate project-specific certification has been executed, posted, and submitted to OJP.

 The applicant identified below **does intend to use** some or all of any funds received under this Recovery Act grant program for one or more infrastructure investment projects. Except to the extent, if any, that OJP has given prior written approval to expend funds to conduct the review and vetting required by law, I agree that the applicant entity will execute, post, and submit to OJP, prior to obligating, expending, or drawing down funds for such project, a project-specific certification that satisfies all of the requirements of section 1511 (including execution by the Governor, mayor, or other chief executive, as appropriate) for each such infrastructure investment project.

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General Certification as to Requirements for Receipt of Funds
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Signature of Certifying Official

Ruben Villescas

Printed Name of Certifying Official

Chief of Police

Title of Certifying Official

City of Pharr Police Department

Full Name of Applicant Government Entity

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

Recovery Act – Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program

Certification as to Recovery Act Reporting Requirements

On behalf of the applicant entity named below, I certify the following to the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice:

I have personally read and reviewed the section entitled "Accountability and Transparency under the Recovery Act" in the program announcement for the Recovery Act grant program identified above. I have also read and reviewed section 1512(c) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5), concerning reporting requirements for grants. I agree that the applicant will comply with the reporting requirements set forth therein with respect to any grant the applicant may receive under the Recovery Act grant program identified above.

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General Certification as to Requirements for Receipt of Funds
for Infrastructure Investments

On behalf of the applicant State or unit of local government (including tribal government) named below, I certify the following to the Office of Justice Programs ("OJP"), U.S. Department of Justice:

I have personally read and reviewed the section entitled "Eligibility" in the program announcement for the Recovery Act grant program named above. I also have personally read and reviewed section 1511 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (the "Recovery Act"), which requires a specific certification prior to receipt of Recovery Act funds for infrastructure investments.

Initial the statement that applies:

RV The applicant identified below **does not intend to use** any portion of any funds received under this Recovery Act grant program for any infrastructure investment. Should this intention change, the applicant will promptly notify OJP, and (except to the extent, if any, that OJP has given prior written approval to expend funds to conduct the review and vetting required by law) will not draw down, obligate, or expend any funds received under this Recovery Act program for any infrastructure investment project until section 1511 of the Recovery Act has been satisfied, and an adequate project-specific certification has been executed, posted, and submitted to OJP.

_____ The applicant identified below **does intend to use** some or all of any funds received under this Recovery Act grant program for one or more infrastructure investment projects. Except to the extent, if any, that OJP has given prior written approval to expend funds to conduct the review and vetting required by law, I agree that the applicant entity will execute, post, and submit to OJP, prior to obligating, expending, or drawing down funds for such project, a project-specific certification that satisfies all of the requirements of section 1511 (including execution by the Governor, mayor, or other chief executive, as appropriate) for each such infrastructure investment project.

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