



Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority

Board Meeting

Austin, Texas

June 8, 2022



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AGENDA
BOARD MEETING
Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority
4000 JACKSON AVE., BUILDING 1, LONE STAR ROOM
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78731
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2022
9:00 A.M.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum
- B. Pledges of Allegiance (U.S. and Texas Flags)
- C. Approval of Transcript from March 2, 2022 as Minutes
- D. Comments from Chairman
- E. Comments from Board Members
- F. Commendations and Congratulations

BRIEFING AND ACTION ITEMS - Bryan Wilson (including Committee Chairs and designated staff)

2. MVCPA Education and Legislative (E&L) Committee Report

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- ii. Estimated appropriation
 - iii. Dedicated MVCPA Account/Fund
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 - iii. Authority to develop and fund programs to reduce recidivism
 - iv. Improving education and messaging on taking keys and guns out of vehicle
 - v. Bait Car Coordination program
 - vi. Other Related Items

3. MVCPA Grants Budget and Reporting (GBR) Committee Report

- A. Consider GBR Committee recommendation on the FY2021 and FY2022 Budget
- B. Consider GBR Committee recommendations to Rapid Response Strike Force Program
 - i. Policy change regarding travel for grantee officers and agencies conducting MVCPA sponsored TCOLE training
 - ii. FY2022 grant to Corpus Christi
- C. Grant policy and an FY2022 Grant to Corpus Christi
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- L. Receive summary of selected grantee reports: Brownsville, Austin, Eagle Pass
- M. GBR Committee Report on MVCPA publications, FY2024-2025 grant scoring and award determination process and other grant issues

MVCPA DIRECTOR'S REPORTS - Bryan Wilson (including designated staff)

4. Reports on MVCPA activities identified by the Director as noteworthy, which may

include reports on:

- A. Personnel
- B. Budget
- C. Grant Activities and Analysis
- D. Grant Adjustments
- E. Educational Programs and Marketing
- F. MVCPA Law Enforcement Training
- G. Assessment, Collection, Refund Activities
- H. Agency Operations
- I. Law Enforcement Operations and Collaboration

CLOSED SESSION

5. The Board may enter into closed session under one or more of the following provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551:

Section 551.071 - Consultation with and advice from legal counsel regarding:

- pending or contemplated litigation, or a settlement offer;
- a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the government body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Government Code, Chapter 551; or
- any item on this agenda.

Section 551.074 - Personnel matters.

- Discussion relating to the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, and dismissal of personnel.

Section 551.089 - Security devices or security audits:

- the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices; or
- a security audit.

6. Action Items from Closed Session

7. Public Comment

8. Adjournment

The Board will allow an open comment period to receive public comment on any agenda item or other matter that is under the jurisdiction of the Board. No action will be taken on matters that are not part of the agenda for the meeting. For subjects that are not otherwise part of the agenda for the meeting, Board members may respond in accordance with Government Code, Section 551.042 and consider the feasibility of placing the matter on the agenda for a future meeting.

If you would like to comment on any agenda item (including an open comment under the agenda item for Public Comment), you must complete a speaker's form at the registration table prior to the agenda item being taken up by the Committee.

Public comment will only be accepted in person. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes, and time allotted to one speaker may not be reassigned to another speaker.

Any individual with a disability who plans to attend this meeting and requires auxiliary aids or services should notify the department as far in advance as possible, but no less than two days in advance, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Contact the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority by telephone at (512) 465-1485.

I certify that I have reviewed this document and that it conforms to all applicable Texas Register filing requirements.

CERTIFYING OFFICIAL: David Richards, General Counsel, (512) 465-1423.



**Board Agenda Item
Section 1. Call to Order**

Part A. Roll Call

NOTES:

	Present
Assistant Chief Mike Rodriguez – Governor Designated Presiding Officer Law Enforcement Representative – Laredo, TX	
Kit Whitehill – Governor Appointed Board Member Insurance Consumer Representative – Coppell, TX	
Gilberto Salinas – Governor Appointed Board Member Insurance Consumer Representative – Brownsville, TX	
Charla Brotherton – Governor Appointed Board Member Insurance Writer Representative – Fort Worth, TX	
P. Dean Smith – Governor Appointed Board Member Insurance Writer Representative – North Richland Hills, TX	
Lieutenant Julio Gonzalez – Governor Appointed Board Member Law Enforcement Representative – Dallas, TX	
Major Sharon Jones – Ex Officio Member Designee for the Public Safety Director Texas Department of Public Safety	

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Pledges



"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

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Part C. Approval of Transcript as Minutes

MVCPA staff emailed the March 2, 2022, Board Meeting Transcript to all MVPCA Board Members on May 26, 2022 for review.

Staff recommendation: Motion to Approve the transcripts.



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Part D. Comments from Chairman

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MVCPA Welcomes New Board Member

Governor Abbott Appoints Smith to Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority

March 25, 2022 | Austin, Texas | [Appointment](#)

Governor Greg Abbott appointed Patrick "Dean" Smith to the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority for a term set to expire on February 1, 2023. The authority assesses the scope of motor vehicle crime in Texas and supports a statewide law enforcement network through grants, auto theft reduction initiatives, education, and public awareness. **Patrick "Dean" Smith** of North Richland Hills is Manager of Special Investigations for Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Company. He is a member of the International Association of Special Investigations Units and a former member of the Texas Association of Vehicle Theft Investigators. Smith received a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Business from Tarleton State University. Smith is a former police officer and auto theft investigator and brings a wealth of program experience.

MVCPA Cybersecurity Training Requirements

In accordance with Texas Government Code 2054.519, *each...state agency employee and each elected or appointed officer of the agency shall complete a cybersecurity training program certified under Section 2054.5191*. MVCPA staff and board members must complete the approved cyber-security awareness training each year. Board Members and MVCPA Staff must complete the Cyber Security Awareness Training by a proposed deadline of July 15, 2022. So that TxDMV can report the information on time in August.

Division	Agency Compliance			
	Learners	Complete	Not Complete	Compliance
MVCPA	6	4	2	67%
MVCPA-BRD	7	1	6	14%

As of 6/1/2022, MVCPA has achieved 67% compliance. Please help the agency achieve 100% by ensuring that you have completed the training. Please note, some Board Members have other paths to complete the training.

- 1) If a Board Member has already completed a Cybersecurity Training for their agency, please send the certificate of completion.
- 2) If a Board Member has not completed a Cyber Security Training, please notify MVCPA Staff so that access to TxDMV's **LMS365** can be given to complete the training.



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Part E. Comments from Board Members



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Part F. Commendations and Congratulations

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MVCPA Honors Former Board Members

Ms. Ashley M. Hunter

April 18, 2013 – Appointed by Governor Rick Perry – Insurance Representative

October 15, 2019 – Reappointed by Governor Greg Abbot – Insurance Representative

Ashley M. Hunter was actively committed to her role with the leadership of the MVCPA. She served as a board liaison and participated in the interviews for selection of the current director. Having served as the Committee Chair for the MVCPA Grants, Budget, and Reports Committee she was instrumental in working with staff and grantees to ensure processes were a benefit to all of Texas. She also provided great insight to the development of the insurance collections and refund processes the MVCPA still uses today.

Ashley M Hunter is the president of HM Risk Group, an international insurance and reinsurance brokerage. Prior to founding HM Risk Group, Ashley worked in various claims management positions for State Farm Insurance Companies, The Hartford Insurance Company and AIG Insurance Company. In her role as president, Ashley has assisted many corporations with unique risk transfer options and reinsurance placement domestically and internationally.

Phillip “Shay” Gause

October 31, 2018 – Appointed by Governor Greg Abbott – Consumer of Insurance Representative

Phillip “Shay” Gause was appointed to the Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority on October 31, 2018, as an insurance writer representative. He is currently the Client Success Manager at Verisk. He worked for the United Services Automobile Associations (USAA) as the Director of the Special Investigations Unit out of San Antonio. He was responsible for insurance claims fraud prevention, detection and investigation programs.

He worked as a law enforcement officer from 1993 to 2001, when he began his career in insurance investigations. His career at USAA began in 2002 as a special investigator in South Carolina, before moving to Texas in 2006.

He is a member of the Texas Association of Special Investigation Units and of the International Association of Special Investigation Units. He received a Bachelor of Science in business administrations from The Citadel and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Phoenix.

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Congratulations and Commendations to Taskforce Members

MVCPA thanks the following for their service to their communities and to the people of the State of Texas:

Jose Duran – Eagle Pass PD – Corporal

- Promoted to Corporal September 2021
- 18 years of service to the Houston Police Department
- Served six years as an Investigator with the Eagle Pass Auto Theft Taskforce
- His knowledge and experience brought positive results to taskforce investigations

Sergio Lopez, Jr. – El Paso PD – Investigator

- Retired February 2022
- 28 years of service to the El Paso PD
- Served ten years as an Investigator with the El Paso Auto Theft Taskforce
- Awarded Unit of the Year Award while assigned to the Narcotics Division
- Awarded a Unit Commendation while assigned to the El Paso Auto Theft Taskforce



Board Agenda Item

Section 2. MVCPA Education and Legislative (E&L) Committee Report

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Item B. Consider Committee E&L recommendation regarding the FY2024-2025 Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) Baseline

Item C. Consider Committee E&L recommendations regarding FY24-25 Exceptional Item Requests

- i. Full 20% of amount collected
- ii. Estimated appropriation
- iii. Dedicated MVCPA Account/Fund – **Statutory Change**
- iv. Fund 10 (TxDMV Fund) Coordination
- v. Discuss and consider recommendations for increases in MVCPA Full Time Employee (FTE)
 - a. Grant and Program Management staff
 - b. Insurance Collections staff

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**Report on MVCPA portion of
Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) 2023-2027 Strategic Plan
Report Item Only**

Strategic Plans are required from state agencies to be submitted to the LBB and the Office of the Governor in even numbered years. TxDMV's plan was submitted on on June 1, 2022. TxDMV has included in the plan sections that reflect the administrative attachment of the MVCPA to TxDMV. Below are excerpts related to MVCPA from the plan submitted by TxDMV.

TxDMV Agency Operational Goal and Action Plan Section

1. Optimize Services and Systems

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2. Protect the Public

Protect the safety of the public through administering statutes regarding the regulation of motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, converters, and dealers of motor vehicles, motor carrier, and salvage vehicle dealers through investigating complaints and pursuing administrative protection of those licensees believed to have violated the statutes and rules. Provides financial assistance to local law enforcement agencies and communities to combat and prevent statewide motor vehicle crime.

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2.2 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention

The Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority is administratively attached to the TxDMV and required to assess motor vehicle crime and analyze methods to prevent those crimes; provide financial and other support to local law enforcement agencies to operative economic motor vehicle theft and fraud-related motor vehicle crime enforcement teams; conduct education programs to inform motor vehicle owners of methods of preventing motor vehicle burglary or theft and fraud-related motor vehicle crime; and provide law enforcement training.

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2.1.2. Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention

Improve the effectiveness of motor vehicle crime prevention programs by (1) providing financial and other support to local law enforcement agencies to operate economic motor vehicle theft and fraud-related motor vehicle crime enforcement teams, and (2) providing grants to support other motor vehicle crime prevention activities.

SPECIFIC ACTION ITEMS TO ACHIEVE GOAL

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- Pursue ~~Maximum~~ Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) Funding Required by Statute - MVCPA has the statutory duty to issue grants to local law enforcement entities and other jurisdictions throughout the state to combat motor vehicle crime and support motor vehicle crime prevention efforts. The program awarded nearly \$12 million during fiscal year 2021 through 24 grants, 14 of which served multi-jurisdictional taskforces.

¹ ...-Ellipse indicates excerpt from other sections

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Texas Transportation Code, Section 1006.153 requires that 20 percent of fee revenue collected under this section be appropriated to the MVCPA. In FY 2021, total fee collections were approximately \$104 million, which should have resulted in MVCPA appropriations of \$20.8 million for the year. However, the program was appropriated \$12.8 million (or 12%) in FY 2021 and \$15 million (or 14%) in FY 2022.

Due to the inability to access funding at statutorily prescribed levels, some areas of the state are not served by the specialized, trained investigators and equipment provided by MVCPA grants. MVCPA has also not been able to fully engage the public through its statewide education efforts to inform motor vehicle owners of effective methods to prevent motor vehicle crime. During FY 2024-2025, the TxDMV will be pursuing the maximum allowable appropriations. This activity will be completed by August 2025

Redundancy and Impediment Section

Service, Statute, Rule or Regulation:

Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) Statutory Funding
Texas Transportation Code 1006.153

Description:

The Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) is administratively attached to the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) but governed by its own independent Board appointed by the Governor. The MVCPA has the statutory duty to issue grants to local law enforcement entities and other agencies throughout the state to combat motor vehicle crime and support motor vehicle crime prevention efforts. The program awarded nearly \$12 million during fiscal year 2021 through 24 grants, 14 of which served multi-jurisdictional taskforces.

Texas Transportation Code 1006.153 requires that 20 percent of collected revenue be appropriated to the MVCPA. FY21 fee collections totaled \$104 million, which should have resulted in MVCPA appropriations of \$21 million for the year. However, the program was appropriated \$12.8 million (less a 5% reduction) for FY21 (12% of revenue) and \$15 million for FY22 (14% of FY21 revenue collections).

Due to the inability to access funding at statutorily prescribed levels, some areas of the state are not served by the specialized, trained investigators and equipment provided by MVCPA grants. The program does not have sufficient resources to fully combat human traffickers' use of stolen vehicles or reduce the number of stolen vehicles leaving the state through border and seaports. MVCPA has also not been able to fully engage the public through its statewide education efforts to inform motor vehicle owners of effective methods to prevent motor vehicle crime.

Agency Recommendation:

Request the legislature increase funding for the MVCPA, up to the 20% statutory level, in the TxDMV appropriation pattern in future biennia.

Estimated Cost Savings or Benefit:

Meeting the statutory funding requirement for the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority would make additional funding available to local law enforcement throughout the state to combat and prevent motor vehicle crimes. The additional funding would further reduce the almost \$2 billion in losses Texans experience from motor vehicle crime.

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2.B. Discuss and consider recommendations regarding the FY24-25 Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) Baseline- E&L Committee recommends the MVCPA FY24-25 Baseline Legislative Appropriations Request be \$14,979,605 per year calculated at \$29,959,210 for the biennium:

FY24-25 Baseline Request - Action Item

	FY23	FY24-25 Biennium	FY24	FY25
Baseline Request - Same as FY22-23 Appropriation Amount		\$29,959,210	\$14,979,605	\$14,979,605

Collection Data (Informational Only)

Actual Amount Collected by MVCPA in FY21 as of 12/01/21 per CPA	\$104,926,218			
Estimated FY22 Collections (1.5% inc. est.)	\$106,500,111			
Estimated FY23 Collections (1.5% inc. est.)	\$108,097,613			
MVCPA projection based on FY21 fiscal year collections (1.5% /yr increase)		\$221,059,618	\$109,719,077	\$111,340,541
MVCPA Full Appropriation Request (TTC 1006.153e.) Amount Based on Fiscal Year Projection		\$44,211,924	\$21,943,815	\$22,268,108

FY24-25 MVCPA Exceptional Item - Action Item

2.C. Discuss and consider recommendations regarding the FY24-25 Exceptional Item Requests A. Full 20% of amount collected - The Committee recommends the MVCPA FY24-25 Legislative Appropriations Exceptional Item request be 20% of the MVCPA fee collected which is estimated to be an additional \$6,964,210 for FY24 and \$7,288,503 for FY25, calculated at \$14,252,714 for the biennium.

Difference between full appropriation
based on projected collections and
Baseline amount

\$14,252,714 \$6,964,210 \$7,288,503

MVCPA Exceptional Item - Estimated Appropriation - Action Item

Agenda Item #2.C.ii. - The Committee recommends the MVCPA request FY24-25 Legislative Appropriations Exceptional Item estimated appropriations based on the MVCPA fee collected through a rider or indicated in the TxDMV bill pattern.

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2.C.iii. and iv. - MVCPA Dedicated Law Enforcement Fund/Account
Action Item – Request for Statutory Change

For several years after being established in 1991, the MVCPA insurance fees were deposited to a dedicated fund or account.

In 1997, the legislature ended the dedicated fund (HB 1387 75R) and since then the fees have been deposited to the General Revenue (GR) fund. In 2015, the TXDMV Fund was established, but the MVCPA appropriation remained as the only part of the TxDMV appropriation not a part of the TxDMV Fund (SB 1512 84R).

There have been attempts in recent sessions to establish a dedicated account/fund for the MVCPA but none have become law. In 2015, HB 3686 would have deposited 50% of each fee to a trust fund in the state treasury which could only be appropriated to the MVCPA. Several bills proposed establishing a MVCPA subaccount in the TxDMV Fund (in 85R: HB 652, SB 1321, SB 1348; in 86R: HB 4304). The bills proposed depositing a fixed amount of the insurance fee revenue to the subaccount which would then allow the MVCPA appropriation to shift from GR to the TxDMV Fund. However, because the deposits would have been more than the appropriations, the bills had a negative impact on the GR fund. The most recent proposal, which did not get filed as a bill in the 87th session, was to have the deposit to the subaccount be whatever the amount of the appropriation is rather than a fixed amount of revenue. This should result in no net impact to the GR fund since the reduction in GR deposits (and increase to TxDMV Fund deposits) would be identical to the reduction in GR appropriations (and increase in TxDMV Fund appropriations), assuming the appropriations bill was adjusted accordingly.

The MVCPA can consider these past proposals or new ones. Any dedicated account/fund would be a part of trying to better meet the requirements of Texas Transportation Code Sec. 1006.153.

e) Out of each fee collected under Subsection (b) or an amount collected under Subsection (b-1):

- (1) 20 percent shall be appropriated to the authority for the purposes of this chapter;**
- (2) 20 percent shall be deposited to the credit of the general revenue fund, to be used only for criminal justice purposes; and
- (3) 60 percent shall be deposited to the credit of the designated trauma facility and emergency medical services account under Section 780.003, Health and Safety Code, to be used only for the criminal justice purpose of funding designated trauma facilities, county and regional emergency medical services, and trauma care systems that provide trauma care and emergency medical services to victims of accidents resulting from traffic offenses.

Agenda Item #2.C.iii. and iv. - The E&L Committee recommends the MVCPA request TxDMV submit a statutory change on its behalf to the 88th Legislature to deposit MVCPA statutory or appropriated funds into a dedicated account or a dedicated sub-account in the TxDMV fund.

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**2.C.v. Discuss and consider recommendations for increases in Full Time
Employees (FTEs) for Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA)
Action Item – Request for Exceptional Item**

i. Grant Program Management Staff (Law enforcement program specialist, Grant monitor, Training coordinator)

1. Law enforcement - Program Specialist V – B21 - \$63,000

The Authority has been asking staff to increase the level of coordination for funded programs. They are funding more programs and more complex programs (e.g. Rapid Response Strikeforce Grants). Staff members with law enforcement experience help direct successful program funding to help local law enforcement operate programs that increase stolen vehicle recoveries, arrests, and cases cleared.

2. Monitor – Grant Specialist III – B20 - \$59,000

MVCPA is required to monitor grants on risk-based standards. The current staff of the MVCPA is too few to effectively monitor grants with proper frequency. The position will regularly monitor MVPCA grants, write reports, and review and confirm budgets. The grant monitor will help MVCPA ensure accountability by verifying rules, guidelines, policies, procedures, and regulations are followed. The person will evaluate verify and report on fiscal data required in Texas Transportation Code 1006

3. Training and Development Specialist V – B21 - \$63,000

MVCPA has been the premier leader in motor vehicle crime investigator training since 2017. Under an agreement with TxDMV and the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE), MVCPA provides free training to qualified law enforcement investigators across the state. This training qualifies these investigators for confidential insurance and manufacturer databases needed to identify vehicles and detect fraud. The trainer will coordinate and perform training while developing new programs. The position will also guide agency staff and collaborate with insurance, grantees, and other related subject matter experts in the development and use of e-Learning methodologies for course design.

Total Grant Support 3 FTEs - \$185,000

ii. MVCPA Fee Collections Unit

The unit will have a Tax Audit Manager, a Tax Auditor, and a Program Specialist. The two staff will report to the Tax Audit Manager who will report to the MVCPA Director. The positions will be hired to begin on September 1, 2023, if funded by the legislature. The unit will be fully operational with the first audits completed within 90 days of being fully staffed. Unit staff will establish processes consistent with statutory requirements. The unit will closely coordinate with the Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) and the Office of Attorney General in administering fee collection. The unit will help the MVCPA report non-paying insurers to the TDI so that enforcement actions can be considered by TDI promptly.

The collection unit will closely coordinate with, and support insurers and other state agencies involved in the collecting, investigating, and non-compliance with the fee. The unit will also allow insurer refund requests to be promptly and accurately handled. The unit will include risk-based fee collection analysis, payment and refund auditing, and compliance education for insurers. The unit will travel as needed to insurer locations, administrative and compliance workshops, and insurance conferences. The net result

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of the unit will be an estimated increase of 3.9% or \$2.7 million in fee collections by the end of the first full collection cycle after the unit is established.

Tax Audit Manager -B-28 - \$113,000 – Supervise unit and work with the MVCPA Director to set unit goals and strategies for promoting compliance, increasing collections, and accurately processing refund requests. Develop policies and procedures and inform and coordinate with other state agencies involved in the fee program. Develop risk-based audit priorities and ensure that unit operates to promote the interest of the State of Texas.

Tax Auditor V- B25 - \$72,000 – Work for and with the tax audit manager to promote compliance through risk-based auditing of insurers. Develop and implement procedures to promote fair competition and work to identify non-compliant insurers. Coordinate with other agencies to leverage resources whenever possible. The results of audits and insurer information inform the work of the program specialist to serve the insurers with accurate information.

Program Specialist IV – B20–\$59,000 - Work for and with the tax audit manager to provide support and information to the insurers to support a culture of compliance underpinned by education and feedback.

Total Collections Unit 3 FTEs - \$244,000

Total MVCPA FY24-25 Request 6 FTEs – \$429,000

Agenda Item #2.C.v. - The **E&L Committee recommends** the MVCPA request TxDMV to submit a request for up to 6 additional Full Time Employees on its behalf to the 88th Legislature:

- 1) 3 positions for grant and law enforcement program management; and
- 2) 3 positions for fee collections to improve collected amount and increase accountability for payors.



Board Agenda Item

Section 2. MVCPA Education and Legislative (E&L) Committee Report CONTINUED

Item D. Consider Committee E&L recommendations to TxDMV for MVCPA-related statutory change recommendations to the 88th Legislature

- i. MVCPA authorized to have its own Executive Director
- ii. Authority to fund research on crime prevention and aftermarket theft protection
- iii. Authority to develop and fund programs to reduce recidivism
- iv. Improving education and messaging on taking keys and guns out of vehicle
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2.D.i. MVCPA Authorized to have its own Executive Director

The Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (Authority) is established in the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) and is composed of a seven-member board (6 governor-appointed and the ex officio Director of Public Safety). The Authority has specific statutory duties laid out in Texas Transportation Code Chapter (TTC) 1006. The Authority has the power to adopt rules to implement its powers and duties. It may also solicit and accept grants. The Authority and TxDMV operate under an interagency agreement to coordinate the requirements of TTC §1006.060. (Division of Responsibilities). The statute requires the Authority to coordinate with TxDMV to develop and implement policies that clearly separate the policymaking responsibilities of the Authority and the management responsibilities of TxDMV. The TxDMV Executive Director has some duties expressly required to support the Authority such as member qualifications, notices of disqualification, and MVCPA board member training and documentation requirements. The executive director may delegate those duties. The Authority may only use staff of TxDMV.

The Authority board delegates operations to TxDMV staff and provides policy oversight for all activities. Staff supporting the Authority full-time are organized into one division within TxDMV while other staff that provide intermittent support to the Authority are in other divisions within TxDMV. However, the Authority does not have direct control or responsibility for any staff.

Authorizing the Authority to appoint an MVCPA executive director (MVCPA ED) would allow the Authority (board) to have a staff person dedicated to its own statutory duties and obligations. The MVCPA ED would be appointed and terminated by the Authority. This would reduce the inherent and continual difficulty of having two oversight authorities (the Authority and the TxDMV ED) over one position (the currently structured MVCPA director). The MVPCA division staff would still be TxDMV employees but report to the MVCPA ED. This pattern is consistent with current state law in the Indigent Defense Commission and the Manufactured Housing Board. Both are administratively attached agencies with separate governor appointed boards like the MVCPA (not an advisory board).

Previous MVCPA presiding officers and current members have identified the advantages of having a single position directly responsible to the volunteer MVCPA Board. Examples include:

Texas Government Code CHAPTER 79. TEXAS INDIGENT DEFENSE COMMISSION

Sec. 79.012. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. (a) The executive director is appointed by the board.

(b) The executive director:

- (1) must be a licensed attorney;
- (2) must demonstrate an interest in the standards for and provision of criminal defense services to indigent individuals;
- (3) may not engage in the private practice of law; and
- (4) may not accept money, property, or any other thing of value not authorized by law for services rendered under this chapter.

Added by Acts 2011, 82nd Leg., R.S., Ch. 984 (H.B. 1754), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2011.

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Sec. 79.033. ADMINISTRATIVE ATTACHMENT; SUPPORT; BUDGET. (a) The commission is administratively attached to the Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System.

(b) The office of court administration shall provide administrative support services, including human resources, budgetary, accounting, purchasing, payroll, information technology, and legal support services, to the commission as necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(c) The commission, in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Legislative Budget Board, shall prepare, approve, and submit a legislative appropriations request that is separate from the legislative appropriations request for the Office of Court Administration of the Texas Judicial System and is used to develop the commission's budget structure. The commission shall maintain the legislative appropriations request and budget structure separately from those of the office of court administration. Added by Acts 2011, 82nd Leg., R.S., Ch. 984 (H.B. 1754), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2011.

Texas Government Code CHAPTER 2306. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Sec. 2306.6014. DIVISION DIRECTOR. (a) The Manufactured Housing Board shall employ the division director. The division director is the Manufactured Housing Board's chief executive and administrative officer.

(b) The division director is charged with administering, enforcing, and carrying out the functions and duties conferred on the division director by this subchapter and by other law.

(c) The division director serves at the pleasure of the Manufactured Housing Board.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1367, Sec. 1.29, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

Sec. 2306.6015. PERSONNEL. The division director may employ staff as necessary to perform the work of the division and may prescribe their duties and compensation. Subject to applicable personnel policies and regulations, the division director may remove any division employee.

Added by Acts 1995, 74th Leg., ch. 978, Sec. 24, eff. Sept. 1, 1995. Renumbered from Sec. 2306.602 and amended by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1367, Sec. 1.29, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

Sec. 2306.6016. SEPARATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES. The Manufactured Housing Board shall develop and implement policies that clearly separate the policy-making responsibilities of the Manufactured Housing Board and the management responsibilities of the division director and staff of the division.

Recommendation: The Committee moved to table the recommendation for MVCPA to have its own Executive Director to the next E&L Committee or MVCPA Board meeting to allow more time for discussion and input.

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2.D. The Committee did not take up the following items for consideration at this time:

- ii. **Authority to fund research on crime prevention and aftermarket theft protection**
- iii. **Authority to develop and fund programs to reduce recidivism**
- iv. **Improving education and messaging on taking keys and guns out of vehicle**

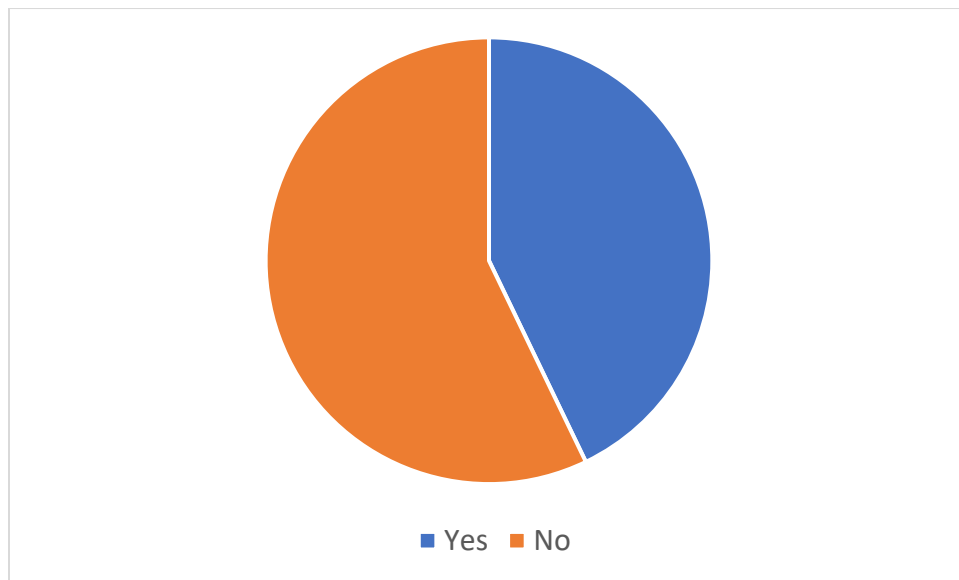
Staff and Committee will consider these issues in future meetings.

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2.D.v. Bait Car Coordination**

The following information was presented to the MVCPA Board on March 2, 2022. No action was taken by the board.

MVCPA funded a Bait Car Program Study in FY2020 through Texas A&M Public Policy Research Institute. The study was not fully completed; however, the researchers did complete the survey portion and the site visits. They reported, *“Among the findings is a limitation of resources. This limitation plays itself out in two key ways. First, bait car programs are limited in the amount of overtime they can authorize to officers who are on-call during the deployments beyond their normal working hours. This concern can lead to fewer deployments than a program would otherwise employ. Secondly, bait car programs must utilize the cars available to them—whether they match the cars being targeted by criminals or not. One potential solution would be the creation of a centralized inventory of bait cars managed by the state—most likely through the Texas Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority. Taking this approach would not only allow jurisdictions to access multiple vehicles, it would also agencies to free-up law enforcement officers who spend considerable amounts of time “building” the bait cars by integrating surveillance equipment and staging the car.”*

Figure 2. Does Bait Car Inventory Mirror Top Targets?



In addition to the inventory mirror issue, other issues are:

- 1) the burn rate (the time it takes a community to recognize a car as a bait vehicle)
- 2) The removal or exchange of bait technology; and
- 3) The need to create new titles and licensure for each vehicle or exchange.

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2.D.v. Bait Car Coordination (continued)

- Bait Car mirroring vehicles that are in the top 5 as being stolen in Texas (includes parts like catalytic converter theft)
- Funding
- Burn rate – rate at which a vehicle becomes recognized as a possible bait vehicle
- Single State Ownership
- Transferable to State operations, local PD/SO
- Single Alias Registration
- Single technology interoperability across Texas
- Liability issues

Recommendation: The **E&L Committee** recommends that the MVCPA ask TxDMV to examine whether alias titles can be issued to TxDMV owned / managed vehicles and consider submitting a statutory change if determined that alias titles cannot be issued to TxDMV on behalf of a coordinated bait car program for law enforcement agencies.



Board Agenda Item #	GBR Comm. Item #	Item Description
3.A	2	Consider GBR Committee recommendation on the FY2021 and FY2022 Budget

RECOMMENDATION:

GBR Committee - MVCPA staff recommends the MVCPA GBR Committee to recommend that the MVCPA adopt the proposed FY22 Budget shown on the following page.

MVCPA Board – The Committee (or staff) recommends that the MVCPA adopt the proposed FY22 Budget shown on the following page.

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Current Adopted FY22 Budget Report

Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority AY 2022 as of 5/23/2022					
MVCPA Budget Category	Budget	Expenditures	Encumbrances	Available Budget	% Available Budget
Grants	\$ 14,115,773	\$ 3,956,198	\$ 9,384,080	\$ 775,496	5%
Advertising and Promotion	\$ 152,642	\$ -	\$ 16,312	\$ 136,330	89%
All Other Operating	\$ 138,971	\$ 13,549	\$ 10,490	\$ 114,931	83%
Consumable Supplies	\$ 2,500	\$ 432	\$ 262	\$ 1,806	72%
Professional Fees & Services	\$ 139,250	\$ 1,849	\$ 16,586	\$ 120,816	87%
Salaries and Personnel Costs	\$ 412,969	\$ 269,564	\$ -	\$ 143,405	35%
Travel	\$ 17,500	\$ 3,631	\$ -	\$ 13,869	79%
Grand Total	\$ 14,979,605	\$ 4,245,222	\$ 9,427,730	\$ 1,306,653	9%

MVCPA Budget Report prepared by the TxDMV Financial and Administration Services Division

Proposed FY22 Budget

Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority AY 2022 as of 5/23/2022					
MVCPA Budget Category	Budget	Expenditures	Encumbrances	Available Budget	% Available Budget
Grants - Existing	\$ 14,115,773	\$ 3,956,198	\$ 9,384,080	\$ -	
Grants - New - MAG				\$ 860,000	
Grants - New - PEPA				\$ 175,000	
Grants - New - RRSF				\$ 57,925	
Advertising and Promotion	\$ 152,642	\$ -	\$ 16,312	\$ 10,000	7%
All Other Operating	\$ 138,971	\$ 13,549	\$ 10,490	\$ 34,832	25%
Consumable Supplies	\$ 2,500	\$ 432	\$ 262	\$ 806	32%
Professional Fees & Services	\$ 139,250	\$ 1,849	\$ 16,586	\$ 10,816	8%
Salaries and Personnel Costs	\$ 412,969	\$ 269,564	\$ -	\$ 143,405	35%
Travel	\$ 17,500	\$ 3,631	\$ -	\$ 13,869	79%
Grand Total	\$ 14,979,605	\$ 4,245,222	\$ 9,427,730	\$ 1,306,653	9%

MVCPA proposed Budget prepared by the MVCPA staff

Previous FY21

Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority AY 2021 as of 5/23/2022					
MVCPA Budget Category	Revised Budget	Expenditures	Encumbrances	Available Budget	% Available Budget
Grants	\$ 12,428,152	\$ 12,052,449	\$ 20,000	\$ 355,703	2.9%
Advertising and Promotion	\$ 9,331	\$ 2,405	\$ -	\$ 6,926	74.2%
All Other Operating	\$ 27,488	\$ 12,131	\$ -	\$ 15,357	55.9%
Consumable Supplies	\$ 8,500	\$ 6,015	\$ -	\$ 2,485	29.2%
Professional Fees & Services	\$ 22,520	\$ 12,884	\$ -	\$ 9,636	42.8%
Salaries and Personnel Costs	\$ 348,764	\$ 344,209	\$ -	\$ 4,555	1.3%
Travel	\$ 7,100	\$ 4,809	\$ -	\$ 2,291	32.3%
Grand Total	\$ 12,851,855	\$ 12,434,900	\$ 20,000	\$ 396,955	3.1%

Note: FY21 Grants Budget was adjusted with FY20 Unexpended Balance of \$206,681.40

MVCPA Budget Report prepared by the TxDMV Financial and Administration Services Division



Board Agenda Item #	GBR Comm. Item #	Item Description
3.B	3	Consider GBR Committee recommendations to Rapid Response Strikeforce (RRS) Program
3.B.i	3.A	RRS Policy change regarding travel for grantee officers and agencies conducting MVCPA sponsored TCOLE training
3.B.ii	3.B	FY2022 RRS grant to Corpus Christi
3.C	3.B	Grant policy and an FY2022 Grant to Corpus Christi

RECOMMENDATION: See Individual Pages

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Rapid Response Strikeforce (RRS) Program Policy Change for TCOLE Training

MVCPA staff established a process with TxDMV Financial and Administrative Services Division (FAS) in 2017 to directly reimburse law enforcement officers for actual travel cost at the State of Texas rates when they conduct MVCPA Intermediate and Advanced Investigator training. MVCPA board has discussed in past meeting that MVCPA staff can use the same process to reimburse grantee officers going to perform bridge or port inspections with MVCPA taskforces.

Current TxDMV Established method

- **TxDMV standard contract for reimbursement in 2017**
 - MVCPA has been using a Comptroller process to **approved** allow travel for MVCPA training
 - Officers may travel with the approval of their agency (or taking leave) and a request from MVCPA to participate in MVCPA approved and sponsored training
 - Officers must submit a contract reimbursement form to FAS prior to travel
 - Travel reimbursement is in accordance with state travel policies
 - Reimbursements will be provided directly to the officer not to exceed amounts provided by state travel reimbursement rates.

New Proposed Alternative Method

MVCPA has learned in some cases that if the investigator is being reimbursed by another agency (MVCPA) then they do not qualify for using their vehicle and may have to take leave to perform the training. If the same officer was being reimbursed by their department, they could provide the training on agency time since it is job related and get reimbursed according to their own city/county travel policy.

- **Discuss and consider policy change to Rapid Response Strike Force Grant Program**
 - Consider policy change regarding travel for grantee officers and agencies conducting MVCPA sponsored TCOLE training

Action Item: Staff recommend that the MVCPA amend the RRS policy to include grantees to apply for travel at 100% reimbursement for their officers to conduct TCOLE or TAC training approved by the MVCPA Director.

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**Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority
Rapid Response Strikeforce Grants
Process for Approval and Funding**
Updated March 14, 2022 (Proposed changes June 8, 2022)

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The Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority (MVCPA) awards state grant funds to local law enforcement agencies to support specialized investigative units that are dedicated to combating motor vehicle crime. These units, referred to as taskforces, are staffed by investigators from sheriff and police agencies. The MVCPA Taskforce grants provide funds to local jurisdictions to hire staff, lease or purchase equipment, and provide operating expenses. These taskforces are presented with immediate **emergency and exigent needs** that are driven by outbreaks of criminal activity. MVCPA is adopting a **Rapid Response Strikeforce (RRS) Grant** to allow currently funded MVCPA taskforces to respond to these emergency and exigent needs. RRS grants are intended to deliver a short-term infusion of resources to respond to the acute needs of communities not otherwise covered by existing grant programs.

The grants that are awarded via the RRS will be available to existing MVCPA grant recipients. Payments will be made through the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles financial processes based on availability of state funds, applicable Texas general law, the General Appropriations Act and state grant rules. Taskforce grant funds, state funds, cash match or in-kind match already reflected in the FY21 or current MVCPA Statement of Grant Award and program income maintained by the taskforce as part of a taskforce grant may not be used in an RRS grant. Cash match and in-kind match contributions from the RRS grantee agencies must be dedicated to RRS activity and identified in the application and agency operation plan.

Two types of agencies that may qualify for the RRS funding under this model in order of priority:

- 1) Law enforcement agencies funded by MVCPA in the current year; and
- 2) Law enforcement agencies that are participating with MVCPA grant-funded taskforces.

The RRS awards are dependent upon the taskforce grant resolutions and/or interagency agreements currently executed and in force.

The amounts and activities funded in the RRS will be small compared to existing MVCPA taskforce grant awards. Most are expected to range from \$2,500 to \$15,000. The actual number of Rapid Response Strikeforce awards each year is based on local program needs and availability of funds.

RRS funded programs are encouraged to collaborate with the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) and other law enforcement agencies whenever and wherever possible. MVCPA staff as TxDMV employees are subject to open records and may not enjoy the same criminal justice and law enforcement exceptions to open records law for ongoing investigations and operations. If MVCPA taskforces have a need to organize with DPS, a Rapid Response Strikeforce for border security (bridge or port operations), or to perform a complicated organized criminal network investigation, then they should organize the Operation Plan with DPS and submit a request for funding to MVCPA. MVCPA will maintain a general description of the funding request such as overtime hours, equipment needed, and instructor travel. The general description may include proposed expectations of results

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such as the number of arrests, or the number of vehicles recovered, etc. If funded, the original Operation Plan will remain with DPS. The MVCPA Grants, Budget and Report Committee or the MVCPA will review the funding and after-action reports in MVCPA meetings. Confidential elements of the after-action report will be submitted to the MVCPA General Counsel for review to determine if portions will remain Law Enforcement Confidential. RRS grantees must notify the MVCPA Director if Law Enforcement Confidential items are contained in the report and discuss with the MVCPA Director how to meet billing and reporting requirements. Statutory performance measures must be reported on all MVCPA funded programs.

The RRS Grants encourage all law enforcement agencies across the state to collaborate with taskforces and DPS to combat motor vehicle crime in new ways. The primary intent is to help current grant programs use state resources to respond to motor vehicle crime needs not covered by grants. Taskforces may use this program to respond to local episodic spikes in motor vehicle crime for coverage agencies listed in their taskforce grant. The funds may be used to pay for overtime, equipment, and travel needed to respond to the events. All expenses must be reasonable and necessary to the RRS as required in the Texas Grant Management Standards (TXGMS) Agencies that are awarded an RRS grant will document cash and in-kind match requirements by tracking resources that they contribute to the operation and any additional local funds used in the implementation of the RRS. All MVCPA funded taskforce agencies are encouraged to send investigators to help border and port jurisdictions to stop and prevent the illegal export of vehicles from Texas.

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MVCPA Rapid Response Strikeforce Funding Table			
	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
	Response by MVCPA Taskforces to emergency and exigent needs	Specific Border/Port Security Operations	Response to Fraud-related Motor Vehicle Crime
Grant Type	Reimbursement	Reimbursement	Reimbursement
Eligibility	MVCPA Law Enforcement grantees and subgrantees	MVCPA Law Enforcement Grantees and Subgrantees	MVCPA Law Enforcement Grantees and Subgrantees
Allowable Expenses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law Enforcement Overtime • Interdiction and Detection Equipment including leases (with agreement for grantee to provide at least one year subsequent funding beyond initial grant funded lease) or purchase 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law Enforcement Overtime • Interdiction and Detection Equipment including leases (with agreement for grantee to provide at least one year subsequent funding beyond initial grant funded lease) or purchase • Travel costs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law Enforcement Overtime • Training Materials • Detection Equipment • <u>Travel costs to reimburse grantees for instructors to perform TCOLE and TAC training approved by the MVCPA Director</u>
Match Requirement	20% of grant amount cash or in-kind excluding LPR (Board Approved 06/30/2021)	Board Approved 06/30/2021 <u>waiver of match on Border and Port Security RRS expenses</u>	20% of grant amount cash or in-kind <u>Proposed- no match for MVCPA approved TCOLE and TAC training travel reimbursement costs</u>
General Description	Law enforcement response to address criminal activity or recover stolen vehicles to augment coverage areas with MVCPA taskforces.	Law enforcement response to address criminal activity or recover stolen vehicles along US border with Mexico and at sea ports. Targets conspiracy / organized crime activity.	Targets conspiracy / organized crime activity using title fraud, registration fraud or other fraud related crime. TxDMV and/or DPS involvement preferred. Training for County Tax Assessor Collector Personnel and other law enforcement agencies.
Basic - less than \$5,000	MVCPA Director Approval	MVCPA Director Approval	MVCPA Director Approval
\$5,000 to less than \$25,000	MVCPA Director Recommendation and	MVCPA Director Recommendation and	MVCPA Director Recommendation and

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	Board Grants Committee Approval	Board Grants Committee Approval	Board Grants Committee Approval
\$25,000 or more	MVCPA Board Grants Committee Recommendation and MVCPA Board Authorization	MVCPA Board Grants Committee Recommendation and MVCPA Board Authorization	MVCPA Board Grants Committee Recommendation and MVCPA Board Authorization
Final Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for Reimbursement Form and After Action Report • Description of Strikeforce Actions • # Arrests • # Vehicles Recovered • # Cases Cleared • Other related outcomes • Invoices for equipment if applicable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for Reimbursement Form and After Action Report • Description of Strikeforce Actions • # Arrests • # Vehicles Recovered • # Cases Cleared • Other related outcomes • Invoices for equipment if applicable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for Reimbursement Form and After Action Report • Description of Strikeforce Actions • # Arrests • # Vehicles Recovered • # Cases Cleared • Classification of attendees (LEO, TACs, etc.) • # in training • # hours training • Other related outcomes

Rapid Response Strikeforce Application Process

- 1) Applicants will complete:
 - a. **Rapid Response Strikeforce Grant Application** – Complete application form. This form is to request authorization to conduct an strikeforce operation to combat motor vehicle burglary or theft and receive reimbursement after completion of the proposed operation. The application must include a description of the strikeforce activity, requested items/ amounts for reimbursement and a description of local match contributions to the strikeforce operation. The local contribution match component must be 20% of the total reimbursable amount.
 - b. **Law Enforcement Operation Plan** - The request must be consistent with applicant and participating agency(ies) law enforcement operation plan activities. It must be approved through and consistent with local law enforcement agency policies. A local form may be used with permission of the MVCPA director.
- 2) The MVCPA will only reimburse expenses approved in the application and for activities described in the law enforcement operation plan.
- 3) If the proposed activity is **Law Enforcement Confidential** the applicant must provide the Grant Application and indicate on the Application at least one of the following:
 - a. A command approved law enforcement operation plan is on file with the requesting department;
OR
 - b. The Texas Department of Public Safety is participating in the operation and an operation plan has been approved by appropriate authorities in that department

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- 4) Submit the full application to GrantsMVCPA@txdmv.gov . NOTE: If local police or sheriff department determines the operation to be Law Enforcement Confidential – only submit the Rapid Response Application.
- 5) The MVCPA staff will acknowledge receipt promptly.
- 6) MVCPA will make a determination or provide written notice within 5 business days that additional information is needed. If additional action by the Authority or a Committee the grantee will be notified within 5 business days.
- 7) The grantee may incur obligations or expenses only during the period stated on the Statement of Grant Award. Obligations or expenses outside the period stated on grant approval will not be reimbursed.
- 8) A Grant Award Statement will be sent to the authorized official with copies to the program director and financial officer. The grantee may begin the authorized activity only after acceptance by the authorized official.
- 9) A requisition will be created by TxDMV staff in the state accounting system. After appropriate approvals a purchase order will be generated internally to TxDMV to support reimbursement of the grantee.
- 10) Once the reimbursable grant activity has been completed and/or the end date of the grant period has expired, the grantee shall submit an **after-action report** and the **request for reimbursement**.
- 11) The Director or designee will review the material. The Director MVCPA will request additional information or supporting documentation if needed. Once approved the Director will send a requestTxDMV accounts payable for reimbursement.

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FY22 Rapid Response Strikeforce (RRS) Grant Application

Corpus Christi Auto Theft Taskforce ALPR Equipment and Overtime Operations

Summary:

The City of Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) has submitted a request for funding through a RRS Grant Application for reimbursement of the purchase of Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR) and Overtime Operations.

Emergency or Exigent Situation

- The City of Corpus Christi saw an increase of 20% in Unauthorized Use of Vehicles (UUV) for 2021 as compared to 2020. The theft of motorcycles has nearly doubled.
- There is an increase of UUV crimes being connected other crimes involving aggravated incidents including robbery and murder.
- Law Enforcement units equipped with LPR systems do not have the time to target areas where vehicles are frequently recovered.

Response to Emergency or Exigent Situation

- Using data driven intelligence and the known time frame of the highest auto crime rates, mobile ALPR will be deployed on an unmarked Auto Theft Taskforce unit to areas where stolen vehicles are most frequently found and in areas nearest to frequent UUMV offenders' known locations to drive down the increasing connections to aggravated crime.
- At least one ALPR Operation will take place in an outlying jurisdiction, upon request, to better assist outlying jurisdictions in the recovery of stolen vehicles and provide a foundation for corpus Christi PD to consider policies in coordinating future joint outer agency operating plans.
- To address the rising theft of motorcycles, the taskforce has acquired permission to utilize a city owned motorcycle to conduct bait vehicle operations in targeted areas.

Equipment and Resources Requested

- \$39,925 MVCPA Funds for the purchase of ALPR Equipment
 - \$18,000 MVCPA funds for Overtime operations to complete the response (168 hours)
- \$57,925 Total MVCPA funds requested.

Match Provided

- As a border/port grantee, the City of Corpus Christi is requesting the cash match requirement be waived. (MVCPA Board Approved the cash match waiver for Specific Boarder/Port Security Operations 06/30/2021)

Staff Analysis

CCPD has demonstrated an exigent need for this program. Their application is consistent with the RRS application process and policy. Staff recommend that the MVCPA fund this program in the amount of \$57,925.

Action Item: Staff recommends the MVCPA fund the City of Corpus Christi PD Rapid Response Strikeforce Grant Application in the amount of \$57,925 and waiver the cash match requirement.

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Rapid Response Strikeforce (RRS) Grant Application

		FY2022
Grantee/Administrative Agency Name:		ORI #
City of Corpus Christi		TX1780200
Participating agency(ies) name:		
Corpus Christi Police Department		
Proposed Term of Grant		
Proposed Start Date	Proposed End Date	Proposed Duration
7/1/2022	12/31/2022	6 months
Describe Emergency or Exigent Situation and Overview of Proposed RRS Operation		
<p style="text-align: center;">Please View Attached Document # 1 for the proposed plan and attached document # 3 for statistical data referenced.</p>		
Additional Area of RRS Operation (counties/cities) [only complete if not covered above]:		
Counties	Cities	
Nueces		
San Patricio		
Summary of RRS Resources Requested Provided		
Type of resource requested:	Grant Resource Needed	Match Resource Needed
# of personnel	7 LEOs	
Overtime Units (estimate hours)	252 hours	
List type of equipment requested for purchase (surveillance, LPR, bait, etc.)	Mobile LPRs (4)	
Travel Costs		
Rapid Response Strikeforce Grant Budget Summary		
	Amount RRS Funds Requested	20% Match Provided (Required)
Personnel	Not Allowed in RRS Reimbursement	\$ -
Fringe	Not Allowed in RRS Reimbursement	\$ -
Overtime	\$ 18,000.00	\$ -
Professional and Contract Services	Not Allowed in RRS Reimbursement	\$ -
Travel	\$ -	\$ -
Equipment Costs	\$ 39,925.00	\$ -
Total Amount of funds Requested/Provided:	\$ 57,925.00	\$ -
Describe the activity/response/equipment requested. Include description of the match resource(s) proposed:		
(Taskforce program income cannot be used)		
<p style="text-align: center;">Please see attached Document # 4 for match proposal and Document #3 for LPR quotes</p>		

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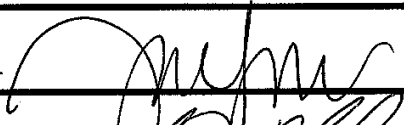
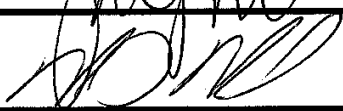
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Rapid Response Strikeforce Grant Application

Mark Yes / No below if operation is law enforcement confidential		
A confidential law enforcement operation plan is on file with and approved by the requesting law enforcement agency(ies):	NO	
A confidential law enforcement operation plan is on file with the Texas DPS:	NO	
Provide the Proposed Operation Outcomes (Complete all that apply):		
[A final after action report shall be submitted and will include actual column completed]		
	Estimate	Actual
Arrest Warrant		
Search Warrant		
Bait Car		3
LPR Operation		6
Surveillance		
Business Inspection		
ChopShop		1
Device Install		
Community Event		
Other		
RRS/MVCPA Statutory Performance Measures:		
# of vehicles recovered		50
# of cases cleared (MV theft)		
# of arrests (MV theft)		5
# of cases cleared (MV burglary)		
# of arrests (MV burglary)		
# of cases cleared (fraud-related MV crime)		
# of arrests (fraud-related MV crime)		
Additional Expectations or Comments:		
As a border/port grantee, the City of Corpus Christi is requesting that the cash match requirement be waived.		
Resolution Required - Mark which applies (Yes / No)		
This grant request is continued under the FY22 Resolution on file with the MVCPA.		YES
Requestor certifies that: 1) they have authority to request and enter into grant agreement with the MVCPA; 2) that all funds will be used for the purposes of Texas Transportation Code Chapter 1006 and Title 43 Chapter 57 Texas Administrative Code; 3) the requestor certifies that they understand and follow the standard assurances under the Texas Grant Management Standards; and 4) all local law enforcement policies and procedures will be followed in implementing this Rapid Response Strikeforce.		
Signature of Requestor	 James Lerma Program Director	Date 5/27/22
Signature of Requestor	 Mike Markle Authorized Official	Date 5/27/22
RRS Grant Contact Person Name:	Andrew Llaromatis	
RRS Grant Contact Person Phone	361-886-2872	
RRS Grant Contact Person Email Address:	AndrewL3@cctexas.com	

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Rapid Response Strikeforce Operation Plan

Problem 1: The Corpus Christi Auto Theft Task Force is facing an exigent situation surrounding motor vehicle theft as a boarder and port security for Texas. By the end of 2021, Corpus Christi saw an increase in UUMVs by 20% compared to 2020 during a time of heightened alertness amid the heart of the COVID-19 pandemic. Theft of motorcycles have nearly doubled in 2021 and have synchronically given rise to fraudulent activity within the city. The most disturbing part of this influx in MVT though is the crime's increasing connections to aggravated incidents.

Problem 2: Currently, there is not a system in place where outlying agencies can share recently stolen vehicle intelligence with Corpus Christi and each other. Frequently, vehicles are stolen from outlying counties such as San Patricio, Live Oak, Jim Wells and Kleberg. These vehicles make their way to Corpus Christi to be used in other crimes ranging from theft of motor vehicle parts (i.e. Catalytic Converters, Tires/Rims) to robbery and murder.

Problem 3: Although there are mobile LPR systems on a handful of Corpus Christi Police Dept. vehicles, these LPRs are only limited to the EL SAG database and its capabilities. Furthermore, units are not able to target areas where stolen vehicles are frequently found and do not have an inherent focus on motor vehicle crime. Law enforcement units equipped with LPR systems do not have the time to target areas looking for stolen vehicles; unfortunately, they rely on the chance of passing one while conducting patrol activities which, problematically, cause them to remain stationary for a large part of their shift.

Operation Plan: Using data driven intelligence and the known time frame of the highest auto crime rates, the proposed LPRs will be deployed to areas where stolen vehicles are most frequently found and in areas nearest to frequent UUMV offenders' homes. In conjunction with CCPD's direct patrol officers, the proposed vehicle LPR would be attached to a marked CCPD unit designated for auto theft reduction. There will be one officer from the direct patrol unit assigned to this vehicle specialized in LPR operations who will work in conjunction to the Auto Theft Task Force. Upon locating a stolen vehicle, the task force commander, or investigator leading the operation, will decide if it is feasible to utilize tools such as rat traps or exhaust pipe blocks to make the vehicle inoperable and then set up on the stolen vehicle and wait for a suspect. If this is not feasible or it is believed that the offender will not return to the car, the vehicle will be recovered. At least 1 LPR operation a month will be conducted in the RRS timeframe with at least 1 operation taking place in an outlying jurisdiction if that jurisdiction makes a request. The 6- month operation aims to recover at least 50 stolen vehicles and net at least 3 arrests.

To address the exigent rising theft of motorcycles situation, the taskforce has additionally acquired permission to utilize a city owned Harley Davidson to conduct bait vehicle operations. Using data driven intelligence, investigators will deploy the motorcycle in highly targeted theft areas and wait for a suspect. At least 3 bait operations will be conducted in the annotated time frame of the RRS operation with a target of at least 1 arrest.

Utilizing this plan will enable the Corpus Christi Auto Theft Task Force to better assist outlying jurisdictions in the recovery of stolen vehicles and will provide a foundation for C.C.P.D. to consider policies in coordinating joint outer agency operation plans. Furthermore, it will address the immediate need to curb the alarmingly fast-rising UUMV activities occurring in our port city and drive down the increasing UUMV connections to aggravated crime. By strategically conducting these operations in a target time frame of 6 months leading into the Holiday season, the Corpus Christi Auto Theft Task Force anticipates a high level of success.

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Rapid Response Strikeforce Equipment and Resources

Activity/Response/Equipment: In order to meet the needs of the proposed operation outlined in Document #1, the equipment requested is three L6Q covert License Plate Readers and one 3-camera mobile License Plate reader which will be added to a marked patrol unit earmarked specifically for LPR operations. Currently the Corpus Christi ATTF does not have an LPR that belongs to the unit and must rely on third party sources for LPR hits. A quote of the LPRs can be found on Document #3.

The activity/response needed for this proposal is indicated in Document #1 with all activity/responses expected to be overtime operations of the Auto Theft Task Force and regular time for the LPR officer.

Match Resources Proposed: As a border/port grantee, the City of Corpus Christi is requesting that the cash match requirement be waived. The direct patrol officer operating the mobile LPR unit will be funded via In-Kind. Additionally, if any outlying jurisdictions request an LPR operation in coordination with the Corpus Christi Auto Theft Task Force, the requesting jurisdiction will provide all In-Kind services to cover their overtime costs.



Board Agenda Item #	GBR Comm. Item #	Item Description
3.D	4	Consider GBR Committee recommendations FY2022 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Auxiliary Grant (MAG) applications and recommend awards
3.E	5	Consider GBR Committee recommendations regarding exceptions and modifications to FY2022 MAG applications

RECOMMENDATION:

Action Item: Staff recommend that the MVCPA should award grants in the amount of \$20,000 each to the submitted applications reported on FY22 Motor Vehicle Crime Auxiliary Grant (MAG) Award Recommendations Table; further the staff are directed prior to issuing an award to confirm that the stolen vehicle loss numbers and values exceed the minimum set by the RFA with three applicants indicated as special requirement in the FY22 Motor Vehicle Crime Auxiliary Grant (MAG) Award Recommendations Table.

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Discuss and Consider recommendations FY2022 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Auxiliary Grant (MAG) applications and recommend awards

The Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority authorized the issuance of the Fiscal Year 2022 Request for Applications (RFA) at its regularly scheduled meeting held on March 2, 2022. The purpose of the MAG grant is to provide law enforcement agencies with one-time funding for specific interdiction equipment used to combat motor vehicle theft. This FY22 grant opportunity is only to purchase or lease Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPR). Eligible applicant law enforcement agencies had the opportunity to apply, provide theft number and loss data, and to indicate if they planned to purchase or lease one or more ALPRs. All awarded grantees shall report the results of their program.

This FY22 grant opportunity was published on the Texas e-grants system and email notifications were sent to all known law enforcement associations that currently serve municipal and sheriff leaders and staff. Due to the Memorial Day Holiday and the likelihood of vacations on the due date of May 27, 2022, the MVCPA Director extended the due date until 12PM (Noon) June 3, 2022. This allowed grant officials sufficient opportunity to submit applications.

Request for Application Accounts	Accounts Created in GMTS	Applications Submitted	Applicants that are Coverage Agency of MVCPA Taskforces
62	59	43	24

Not all agencies requesting an application met the eligibility requirements published in the RFA.

- Three jurisdictions were blocked from applying in the on-line Grant Management and Tracking system (GMTS) due to their status as a Participating Agency of a current MVCPA Taskforce. These agencies were provided information about how to apply for Rapid Response Strikeforce grants.
- The MVCPA staff did not provide account creation credentials in GMTS to 2 agencies that were determined not to be municipal police department or a county Sheriff's office. They were informed that future opportunities may be created by the MVCPA but that this pilot project was limited to municipal and county sheriff offices.
- Some interested applications could not be submitted in GMTS because they entered jurisdiction loss values that were less than \$60,000 as required by the MVCPA.

The applicants listed in the table on the following page met the eligibility requirements posted in the RFA. Three jurisdictions submitted information that is inconsistent with other data available to the MVCPA and will be asked to provide additional information or make corrections to their applications.

Action Item: Staff recommend that the MVCPA should award grants in the amount of \$20,000 each to the submitted applications reported on FY22 Motor Vehicle Crime Auxiliary Grant (MAG) Award Recommendations Table; further the staff are directed prior to issuing an award to confirm that the stolen vehicle loss numbers and values exceed the minimum set by the RFA with three applicants indicated as special requirement in the FY22 Motor Vehicle Crime Auxiliary Grant (MAG) Award Recommendations Table.

FY22 Motor Vehicle Crime Auxiliary Grant (MAG) Award Recommendations (\$20,000 Each)

Grantee ID	Grantee Name	Special Requirement	ALPR Option (User Selected)	Stolen Vehicles (User Reported)	Stolen Vehicles Value (User Reported)	Coverage agency of Taskforce
39	City of Aransas Pass		Lease	32	\$260,277	
45	City of Balcones Heights		Lease	35	\$504,430	San Antonio
51	City of Blue Mound	*	Lease	55	\$1,217,483	Tarrant
43	City of Buda		Lease	27	\$887,155	
77	City of Cedar Hill		Lease	115	\$300,000	Dallas County
38	Chambers County		Purchase	86	\$1,327,546	
64	Cherokee County		Purchase	70	\$204,218	Smith
87	City of Cibolo		Purchase	35	\$346,084	
71	City of Conroe		Lease	253	\$1,426,010	Montgomery
76	City of Decatur		Purchase	11	\$329,212	Tarrant
41	City of Diboll	*	Lease	10	\$266,500	
55	City of Duncanville		Purchase	207	\$3,246,111	Dallas County
34	Fannin County		Lease	18	\$147,801	Paris
42	Fayette County		Purchase	11	\$224,000	Travis
69	Goliad County		Purchase	9	\$96,501	Victoria
32	Gonzales County		Purchase	7	\$89,600	Victoria/Travis
52	City of Grapevine		Lease	147	\$3,600,767	Tarrant
35	Gregg County		Purchase	55	\$1,012,896	Smith
72	City of La Porte		Purchase	66	\$66,000	Galveston/Pasadena
48	City of League City		Lease	124	\$2,510,910	Galveston
67	City of Marshall		Lease	34	\$436,764	Smith
66	City of Mesquite		Lease	813	\$5,576,501	Dallas County
53	City of Midland		Purchase	466	\$5,267,000	
57	City of Mission		Purchase	78	\$1,001,988	
54	City of Navasota		Purchase	23	\$367,821	Montgomery
62	City of Odessa		Purchase	374	\$6,130,475	
49	City of Palmview		Purchase	11	\$141,306	
79	City of Pearland		Purchase	147	\$2,717,686	Galveston
61	City of Penitas		Purchase	7	\$96,633	
56	City of Port Aransas		Purchase	20	\$279,402	
75	City of Red Oak		Lease	10	\$105,500	Mansfield
70	City of Richland Hills		Purchase	18	\$231,228	Tarrant
47	City of Robstown		Purchase	11	\$68,320	
44	City of Rockport		Purchase	16	\$80,762	
88	City of Schulenburg	*	Purchase	Verification pend.	Verification pend.	
33	City of Seabrook		Lease	24	\$274,081	Galveston/Pasadena
85	City of Temple		Purchase	201	\$1,985,297	
65	City of Texarkana		Purchase	119	\$1,147,837	Paris
37	City of Tomball		Lease	37	\$450,116	
59	Waller County		Purchase	23	\$558,339	
63	Webb County		Purchase	47	\$210,058	
36	City of White Settlement		Lease	176	\$1,476,493	Tarrant
60	Wilson County		Lease	26	\$435,000	



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3.F	6	Consider GBR Committee recommendations for the FY2022 MVCPA MAG Statement of Grant Award including standard and special condition

Recommendation: MVCPA Staff recommend approval of the MVCPA MAG Statement of Grant Award including standard and special conditions.

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Discuss and consider recommendations for the FY2022 MVCPA MAG Statement of Grant Award including standard and special conditions

The MVCPA Auxiliary Grant (MAG) Award term is set to begin on July 1, 2022, and end on August 31, 2023. No expenses shall be incurred until a Statement of Grant Award (SGA) is issued and accepted by the grantee, signed, and returned to MVCPA.

The SGA is one the following two pages and includes the following requirements:

- Application submitted and grantee agency created
- MVCPA approved the application and issued SGA with special requirements as applicable
- Grantee desires to accept the award with the requirements
- **Standard Law Enforcement Conditions**
 - Grantee ensures that any opportunity to share intelligence provided by the ALPR vendor is afforded if the vendor allows an option to share read data with other law enforcement agencies
 - Grantee ensures at least one law enforcement officer monitors and participates in intelligence sharing webinars and Motor Vehicle Crime Investigator Virtual Command Centers.
- **Border Security Report Requirement**
 - If the Grantee is designated as a MVCPA Border Security Grant, the Governor or Legislative Budget Board may require additional information regarding the report data during the term of the grant.

Recommendation: MVCPA Staff recommend approval of the MVCPA MAG Statement of Grant Award including standard and special conditions.



FY22 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority
Statement of MVCPA Auxiliary Grant Award and Grantee Acceptance Notice

Grant Number:
Grantee:
Program Title:
Grant Award Amount:
Total Cash Match Amount:
In-Kind Match Amount:
Reimbursement Percent*:
Grant Term: July 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023

Whereas, <NAME OF GRANTEE> (hereinafter referred to as Grantee), has heretofore submitted a grant application in response to the Request for Application issued on March 2, 2022, to the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority, State of Texas, entitled <MAG Grant Lease / MAG Grant Buy> for an automatic license plate reader (ALPR) system, and further identified by grant number <Grant Number = 608-22-ORI>; and

WHEREAS, the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority has approved the grant application as evidenced by this FY22 Statement of Grant Award and certain special requirements from the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority dated <Date SGA Issued>; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee desires to accept the FY22 grant award and use all funds for purposes and in compliance with the following requirements that are adopted in their entirety by reference:

- Texas Transportation Code Chapter 1006;
- Texas Administrative Code: Title 43; Part 3; Chapter 57;
- **Texas Grant Management Standards (TxGMS)** as promulgated by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts including TxGMS Standard Assurances by Local Governments and Standards for Financial and Program Management;
- The MVCPA Request for Applications issued on May 3, 2021;
- The current Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority Grant Administrative Manual and forms and subsequently adopted grantee instruction manuals and forms;
- The Final Adopted Application attached to this Statement of Grant Award; and
- The Approved Grant Budget Summary:

Budget Category	MVCPA Expenditures	Cash Match	Total Expenditures
ALPR Buy	\$20,000	\$4,000	\$24,000
ALPR Lease	\$20,000	\$4,000	\$24,000

Standard Law Enforcement Conditions

The grantee is required to ensure that any opportunity to share intelligence provided by the purchase or lease of Automatic License Plate Reader (ALPR) assets under this grant is afforded if opportunity is provided by vendor/product to share read data with other law enforcement agencies.

The grantee is required to ensure that at least one law enforcement officer monitors and participates in the Law Enforcement intelligence sharing webinars and Motor Vehicle Crime Investigator Virtual Command Centers organized and operated on behalf of the MVCPA program operation and statewide collaboration.

WHEREAS, the Grantee accepts the FY22 Statement of Grant Award under the conditions above including the special requirements in the grant application and the Statement of Grant Award as evidenced by this agreement, executed by the official authorized to sign the original grant application, or the official's designated successor, as presiding officer of and on behalf of the governing body of this grantee; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority has awarded the above-referenced grant subject to the availability of state funds. The approved budget is reflected in the above Approved Grant Budget Summary. This grant is subject to and conditioned upon the acceptance of the MVCPA Grant Administrative Guide promulgated for this specific program fund (referenced above) by the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority. Applicable special conditions are listed below.

Special Conditions and Requirements (MVCPA will only apply special conditions to applicable jurisdictions):

Border Security Report Requirement – This Grantee is designated as a MVCPA Border Security Grant which is located along the United States of America border with the United States of Mexico and those that are adjacent to the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway. This designation requires grantee to provide additional report information required by the General Appropriations Act of the 87th Texas Legislature, Regular Session. The Governor or Legislative Budget Board may request additional information regarding the report data during the term of the grant.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED BY:

Authorized Official

Printed Name and Title

Date Signed



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3.G	7	Consider GBR Committee recommendations for the FY2022 Public Education and Public Awareness Grants applications and recommend awards or other actions

Recommendation: Staff recommend that:

- 1) The MVCPA fund the Insurance Council of Texas for \$350,000 for the development and implementation of the media campaign;
- 2) that the MVCPA obligate \$175,000 from FY22 to begin the project until the FY22 funds are exhausted;
- 3) that \$175,000 be obligated from FY23 funds only available after FY22 funds are exhausted with no obligation nor expenditure beginning on the FY23 award until after September 1, 2022;
- 4) the MVCPA allow for the grant to be issued without a bond;
- 5) that the grantee's proposed in-kind match be accepted; and
- 6) that the MVCPA Grants Budget and Reporting Committee be authorized to approve the final negotiated statement of grant award (SGA) and conditions prior to the MVCPA director issuing the SGA.

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Recommend FY22 Public Education and Public Awareness Grant Award or other actions

The Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority authorized the issuance of the **FY22 Public Education and Public Awareness (PEPA)** Request for Applications (RFA) at its regularly scheduled meeting held on March 2, 2022. The purpose of the PEPA grant is find a partner to develop a media campaign in English and Spanish and to coordinate that campaign with our statewide law enforcement agencies.

This FY22 grant opportunity was published on the Texas e-grants system and email notifications were sent to all known not-for-profit insurance and law enforcement associations that currently operate media events. Eligible applicants were limited to not-for-profit organizations that are operating media and communication programs prior to issuance of the RFA.

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday and the likelihood of vacations on the due date of May 27, 2022, the MVCPA Director extended the due date until 12PM (Noon) June 3, 2022. This allowed grant officials sufficient opportunity to submit applications.

Only one application was received from the Insurance Council of Texas (ICT) in the amount of \$350,000. The grant application provides a proposed campaign to reach statewide audience on all media platforms. Most of the funds (\$200,000) will be used on direct media and supply purchases. The application will need some clarification to meet grant management documentation and state accounting standards (i.e. deliverables or benchmarks to determine payments) prior to an award being made.

In 2019, the Public Education and Public Awareness (PEPA) grant was awarded to National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB). The NICB used the staff of the ICT to carry out most of the program. NICB did directly perform some of the activities and managed all financial aspects grant.

The individual that managed the last campaign with ICT retired, but the organization and Executive Director are the same. Also, ICT continues to organize with their insurer members the purchase of “hide lock take” signs for current MVCPA grantee taskforces. They have also coordinated press conferences with insurer members and taskforces.

Recommendation: Staff recommend that:

- 1) The MVCPA fund the Insurance Council of Texas for \$350,000 for the development and implementation of the media campaign;
- 2) that the MVCPA obligate \$175,000 from FY22 to begin the project until the FY22 funds are exhausted;
- 3) that \$175,000 be obligated from FY23 funds only available after FY22 funds are exhausted with no obligation nor expenditure beginning on the FY23 award until after September 1, 2022;
- 4) the MVCPA allow for the grant to be issued without a bond;
- 5) that the grantee’s proposed in-kind match be accepted; and
- 6) that the MVCPA Grants Budget and Reporting Committee be authorized to approve the final negotiated statement of grant award (SGA) and conditions prior to the MVCPA director issuing the SGA.



**MOTOR VEHICLE CRIME PREVENTION AUTHORITY
Public Education and Awareness Grant Application (PEPA)**

4000 Jackson Avenue

Austin, Texas 78731

(800) Car Watch (227-9282) - 512-465-1485

Website: www.txwatchyourcar.com

[Email this completed expandable Application in MSWord and PDF with executed Resolution to grantsMVCPA@TxDMV.gov]

Applicant Information

Applicant Organization Name	Insurance Council of Texas	Organization Type	Non-Profit 501 (C) (6) Nonprofit Tax Code Designation: 501(c)(6) Defined as: Civic leagues, social welfare organizations and local associations of employees, created to promote community welfare for charitable, educational, or recreational purposes.
Applicant Address	2801 South IH35 Austin, TX 78741	Program Director Name (PD-serves as primary contact)	Rich Johnson Director of Communications and Public Affairs
Organization Phone	(512) 444-9611	PD Phone	(512) 637-5440
Organization e-mail		PD email	rjohnson@insurancecouncil.org
Organization website	www.insurancecouncil.org	Financial Officer (FO) Name	Paula Harmon
Other Organization Information Contact Information		FO Title	Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer
Authorized Official Name	Albert Betts	FO Phone	(512) 637-5429
Authorized Official Phone	(512) 326-7600	FO email	pharmon@insurancecouncil.org
Authorized Official Email	abetts@insurancecouncil.org		
State Payee Identification Number			
Other Agencies Participating in this application	n/a		

Program Information

Application Type:	New
Grant Period:	Upon contract execution (est. July 15, 2022) through August 31, 2023
Area of Project Activities:	All State of Texas



MOTOR VEHICLE CRIME PREVENTION AUTHORITY
Public Education and Awareness Grant Application (PEPA)

Application Summary and Certification

Please enter whole dollars only		Amount Requested / Provided
Total State (MVCPA) Grant Funds Requested		\$350,000
Cash Match Provided		0
PROGRAM TOTAL		\$350,000
Total In-Kind Match Provided		\$17,000
<p>By submitting this application, I certify that I have been designated by my organization as the authorized official to accept the terms and conditions of the grant. The statements herein are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties.</p> <p>By submitting this application, I certify that my organization agrees to comply with all terms and conditions if the grant is awarded and accepted. I further certify that my organization will comply with all applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations in the application, acceptance, administration, and operation of this grant.</p>		
Type/Print name of Authorized Official	Title	Telephone Number/Email
Albert Betts, Jr.	Executive Director	(512) 326-7600/ abetts@insurancecouncil.org
Signature of Authorized Official		Date Signed
		June 1, 2022

APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY SUMMARY

REQUIRED NARRATIVE: Briefly describe the applicant organization and how this organization meets the three eligibility requirements posted in the RFA: 1) government or nonprofit organization; 2) established prior to date of issuance of this RFA; and 3) Five years of experience in statewide program related to MVCPA.

Insurance Council of Texas (ICT) is a non-profit state trade association that serves property and casualty insurance carriers and their customers by educating members and consumers on Texas insurance issues. As the collective voice of the Texas insurance industry, ICT helps its members stay current in an ever-changing marketplace and act as a critical conduit to ensure members' positions are heard on all insurance issues. ICT was created when the Texas Insurance Advisory Association and Texas Automobile Insurance Services Office merged, effective September 1, 1996. For over 80 years, these two Texas-based associations had been the principal property and automobile insurance associations for companies operating in Texas.

The merger of these two organizations created a stronger and more efficient trade association through which insurers can collectively represent their interests in the regulatory process and stay abreast of those events that affect the business of insurance in Texas. Importantly, ICT does not seek to compete with national trade associations but rather to work in harmony with them.

ICT is governed by a Board of Directors that is actively involved in the association's affairs. In addition to serving on committees, they establish the association's strategic vision and long-range plan, approve the annual budget and method of funding, and the staff's annual goals and objectives. Notably, the board provides the staff with a firsthand understanding of the needs of the industry and has a primary stake in ensuring the association serves the needs of its members. Membership in ICT is open to all property and casualty insurance companies operating in Texas. At present, our ranks include over 450 companies that are diverse in size, product line and method of distribution. The diversity in membership is reflected in the composition of our board of directors, which strengthens the association's leadership. Associate membership in ICT is available to any person, firm or corporation that provides services to property/casualty insurance companies whose interests are aligned with those of the industry.



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Public Education and Awareness Grant Application (PEPA)

APPLICATION BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Categories	Direct Cost of Program	In-Kind Match
Personnel (Direct Salaries)	0	0
Fringe Benefits	0	0
Overtime	0	0
Professional and Contractual Services	\$150,000	\$12,000
Travel	0	0
Equipment	0	0
Supplies and Direct Operating Exp.	\$200,000	\$5,000
TOTAL	\$350,000	\$17,000

Sources of Match		
Provide Sources of Match.		
	CASH MATCH AMOUNT	CASH MATCH PERCENT
Source	Amount	
TOTAL CASH MATCH		
IN-KIND MATCH		TOTAL
Source	Amount	
TOTAL IN-KIND MATCH		



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Public Education and Awareness Grant Application (PEPA)

Budget Detail

Personnel			
Title or Position	% of Time in Grant	Program Total	In-Kind Match
Contractor	21%	\$150,000	\$12,000
TOTAL Direct Salaries	0	0	0

Fringe Benefits			
	% or \$ Rate	Program Total	In-Kind Match
FICA	@		
Retirement	@		
Insurance	@		
Other (Explain)			
TOTAL Fringe Benefits	0	0	0

Overtime			
	% or \$ Rate	Program Total	In-Kind Match
TOTAL Overtime	0	0	0



**MOTOR VEHICLE CRIME PREVENTION AUTHORITY
Public Education and Awareness Grant Application (PEPA)**

PERSONNEL NARRATIVE

Provide a description of the duties and responsibilities of each position listed in the budget. Describe the benefits provided and how overtime will be used and approved.

ICT partner agencies support PEPA grant operations in Dallas, Ft. Worth, Corpus Christi, Austin, and San Antonio. ICT is requesting a waiver of the "Cash Match" to the grant. ICT will manage the PEPA grant utilizing existing personnel at ICT Headquarters to administer, plan, coordinate, and execute "the grant program."

Laredo, Brownsville, El Paso, Lubbock, Montgomery County, Harris County, Dallas County, Eagle Pass, and Amarillo will provide

- their expertise and assistance in the execution of education programs,
- education of law enforcement partners,
- delivery of anti-theft devices, and
- vehicle identification parts marking to combat vehicle theft and burglary.

ICT will provide financial accounting of the grant program.

The ICT communications department will manage the grant contractor and ensure program delivery.

The ICT Contractor will be responsible for the delivery of grant program objectives and provide a full accounting and reporting of program accomplishments to ICT to ensure timely quarterly progress reports to MVCPA.

ICT will consider an extension to a second subsequent year to manage the grant if the program objectives are accomplished, success is achieved, and the MVCPA and ICT agree that the grant program's continuation is of mutual interest and benefit.

PROFESSIONAL AND CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

Description of Contract Positions or Service	Program Total	In-Kind Match
ICT Contractor – FY22 MVCPA PEPA Grant	\$150,000	0
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL AND CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	\$150,000	0

PROFESSIONAL AND CONTRACTUAL SERVICES NARRATIVE

REQUIRED NARRATIVE: Briefly describe any proposed contractual arrangements and work products expected. Describe the basis of costs for each line item. Professional services (such as consultants, trainers, counselors, evaluators, etc.) should be described by type of service, number of hours, rate per hour, and travel costs, if any. [Note: separate itemized travel costs for professional contractual services may be subject to state travel rules.]



**MOTOR VEHICLE CRIME PREVENTION AUTHORITY
Public Education and Awareness Grant Application (PEPA)**

ICT will contract with "Contractor" to manage, coordinate, and deliver the FY22 MVCPA PEPA Grant in Texas. The program is designed to educate the public on vehicle theft and vehicle burglary mitigation activities to reduce the incidence of and costs associated with these crimes in Texas. The \$150,000 fee will be a maximum fee. Time contributed to the project by Contractor will be paid by ICT not to exceed a total cost of \$150,000.

Travel

Travel	Program Total	In-Kind Match
Contractor responsible	0	0
Out of State listed separate		
TOTAL TRAVEL	0	0

TRAVEL NARRATIVE

REQUIRED NARRATIVE: Briefly describe any proposed travel expected to operate this program. Describe basis for arriving at the cost of each line item. Please use the federal and state guidelines for costs unless justification is provided. Please remember that itemized travel costs may be subject to state travel rules.

Contractor will be paid up to and not exceeding a fee amount of \$150,000 to deliver the full scope of the FY22 MVCPA PEPE Grant in Texas. Contractor is responsible for all travel and related expenses incurred.



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Public Education and Awareness Grant Application (PEPA)

Equipment

Description of Equipment	Program Total	In-Kind Match
	0	0
TOTAL EQUIPMENT	0	0

EQUIPMENT NARRATIVE

REQUIRED NARRATIVE: Briefly describe any proposed equipment needed to operate the program. Describe the basis for arriving at the cost of each line item. Equipment is defined as a useful life of more than one year and a cost of \$5,000 or more. There are some items designated by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts that may be below the value of \$5,000.

There is no equipment purchase proposed for this grant proposal.

Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses

Description of Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses	Program Total	In-Kind Match
Branded promotional items purchase	\$5,000	\$2,500
Branded event vinyl banners	\$3,000	0
Shipping costs to distribute to task forces	\$2,000	0
Paid media costs	\$190,000	\$2,500
TOTAL Supplies And Direct Operating Expenses	\$200,000	\$5,000

SUPPLIES AND DIRECT OPERATING EXPENSES NARRATIVE

REQUIRED NARRATIVE: Briefly describe any proposed Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses equipment needed to operate the program.

ICT will purchase \$5,000 in campaign promotional items such as but not limited to branded car air fresheners for distribution at events and through local law enforcement task forces. Additionally, ICT will produce campaign-branded vinyl banners for use at localized events.



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PROGRAM NARRATIVE –Public Education Functions of Program

REQUIRED NARRATIVE: Briefly describe Public Education functions that will be performed under the program.

Statewide effort by the ICT Contractor to conduct operations designed to coordinate and support the public awareness efforts of the MVCPA and its grantees in pursuit of our mutual goal: preventing and reducing vehicle crimes in Texas. To achieve that goal, the focus of the 2022-2023 grant will be coordinating statewide public awareness events that

- heighten awareness of MVCPA and its grant programs,
- extends MVCPA services to entities with an interest in vehicle crime prevention,
- serves as the central distribution point for MVCPA vehicle crimes prevention information,
- acts as a media hub for the promotion of MVCPA grantee initiatives,
- and gathers and analyzes vehicle crimes statistical data for use by MVCPA and its grant programs.

The grant program will seek relationships with individuals, media, governmental, insurance industry, and civic organizations that can partner with MVCPA and ICT to promote vehicle crime awareness and prevention activities.

Target audiences will include vehicle owners, vehicle operators, law enforcement, community leaders, business organizations, civic groups, print, television, radio, and social media channels that have an interest in protecting the vehicles, customers, and constituents they serve.

REQUIRED NARRATIVE: Briefly describe Public Awareness functions that will be performed under the program.

Video PSAs, earned media outreach, audio PSAs, print advertising, outdoor advertising, influencer engagement, online toolkit, event activations, and social media content throughout Texas. English and Spanish versions.

The distribution of promotional items, information, and theft-prevention services will occur at localized events across the state.



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PROGRAM NARRATIVE – Activity Reporting and Performance Evaluation

REQUIRED NARRATIVE: Describe Activity Reporting plan (showing progress toward functions) and Performance Evaluation (showing success and impact) that will be used. The grantee must report progress and expenditures quarterly showing that the program is performing the work and operating the grant. Grantees must also provide a plan showing how they will measure the impact their program has on combating motor vehicle theft, burglary from a motor vehicle and fraud-related motor vehicle crime.

Reporting of program metrics and KPIs pursuant to MVCPA Grantee Reporting requirements will be submitted quarterly. ICT is also requesting a waiver for the full “in-kind” request. A total of \$17,000 of funding and in-kind man-hours will be contributed by ICT.

ICT will utilize similar and appropriate data from comparable earlier programs as a baseline. At the end of the grant cycle, ICT will conduct additional analyses to determine and evaluate desired program outcome of crime reductions relating to vehicle theft, vehicle burglaries, and catalytic converter thefts.

All earned and unpaid media will be tracked and assigned an ad value to determine the success of the PR campaign.



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ADDENDUM

Fy22 Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority
Public Education and Awareness Grant
Grantee: Insurance Council of Texas

Approach

Contractor will conduct a year-long statewide education campaign around two primary issues: discouraging theft of catalytic converters and the general prevention and reduction of vehicle crimes in Texas. Messaging split will be approximately 25% catalytic converters, and 75% vehicle crime prevention and reduction. Target audiences will include vehicle owners, vehicle operators, law enforcement, community leaders, business organizations, and civic groups interested in protecting the vehicles, customers, and constituents they serve. **Content will be created in both English and Spanish.**

Through a relationship with iHeart Media, Contractor will utilize a strategic and targeted media buy through the iHeart Media network, thereby securing value-added support that can augment campaign's reach across the state. Communication channels will include but are not limited to social media, digital media, print, radio, streaming services, and digital billboards.

Creative Concept: Lock It Down

It's simple to protect your vehicle. Hide or take valuables with you, then lock your vehicle with the click of a button. But what if protecting other things, you care about was as straightforward? PSAs will illustrate a variety of relatable situations that we wish could be as simple as locking your vehicle. The message: It's easy to "lock it down."

Examples:

- Sisters are great, but not when they borrow your clothes without permission. After her sister borrows something without asking, the other imagines "locking down" her closet with the press of a key fob.
- Pets are cute except when they're getting into things you don't want them to. The solution? Wouldn't it be great to lock down the trash can with the click of the fob before the dog turns it over?

We will engage viewers through scenarios like these examples and reinforce that securing their vehicles is the easiest way to keep the things inside safe and unwanted situations from happening.

Integrated Campaign Mix

Contractor approach utilizes a variety of channels to communicate the overall campaign concept along with supporting information and data to educate target audiences.

Short Videos: Contractor will create several short video PSAs that can be used on digital media and distributed in a public toolkit. Short videos will be formatted for both vertical and horizontal channels and can be edited to various lengths. Videos will be housed on YouTube so they are searchable in this important search engine and can be posted on the campaign microsite. Videos and/or audio will also be used on streaming platforms.

Organic Content: Content for use on organic (unpaid) social media as well as the campaign microsite will educate on how to deter catalytic converters. Content may include but is not limited to blogs and videos.

Print Ads: Print ads will be created in a variety of dimensions appropriate for placement in free filler ad space within local papers across the state of Texas. Ads will feature the MVCPA and ICT logos and can also be formatted to provide space for localized task force branding.



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Digital Billboards: Billboard artwork will be created in a variety of dimensions to be utilized as free filler ad space on digital billboards within billboard networks across the state of Texas.

Social Graphics: In addition to the short videos that will play on social media, a library of static social graphics will be created to support the campaign. The graphics will reiterate the call to “lock it down” by educating on the facts and figures around vehicle theft and burglary. Social graphics will be created in a variety of sizes to be appropriate on multiple platforms.

Digital Toolkit: A digital toolkit will be created to equip local task forces, stakeholders, organizations, and members of the media to utilize campaign materials as needed. This provides valuable content for others to use and increases the overall reach of the campaign by allowing others to share. Toolkit elements can include static social graphics for use, event flyer templates, vinyl banner artwork, or other campaign elements as developed.

Campaign Microsite: Contractor will create a microsite (a very limited site typically of 2-3 pages maximum) that will serve the following purposes.

- Provide a destination page to drive online and offline traffic for tracking and measurement purposes.
- Create a repository of information and resources for users, from facts and figures around vehicle crime prevention to a public toolkit of downloadable assets for use.
- House all short videos and creative content for the campaign.

A microsite can be linked on the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles website but does not need to live on the same server. Site will be managed and maintained by Contractor, with full administrative access given to ICT and MVCPA. Contractor utilizes WordPress for all website development.

Event Marketing: Facilitated by ICT relationships with vehicle crime prevention task forces across the state and supported by iHeart Radio stations where applicable, the campaign will include “Lock It Down” event activations in key Texas markets. Local representatives will be provided giveaway items (see Promotional Item below), a campaign banner to display at the event, and a step-by-step outline for event execution.

The events will include first-come, first-served catalytic converter etching/painting, as well as a guerilla parking lot activation called “Sticker Shock.” Conducted in conjunction with the event so that all in the parking lot are aware, event organizers will canvas select vehicles in the lot for high-theft items in plain view. Utilizing a template created by Contractor, at-risk items will be tallied on a replica car lot sticker and placed on the car for the owner to see.

Influencer Outreach: Contractor will engage a diverse mix of social media influencers across Texas to share the message to “Lock it Down” with their social followers. Influencers will be provided detailed instructions and inspiration through the campaign videos and challenged to create their own authentic and personal content (user-generated content or UGC) around the campaign concept.

Public Relations: Contractor will conduct earned media outreach about the campaign as well as facts and figures associated with vehicle theft and burglary each year. Earned media outreach will be conducted statewide.

Promotional Item: To reiterate the “Lock it Down” concept, custom vehicle air fresheners will be created to be distributed at taskforce events across the state.



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Lemon	Jasmine
Pina Colada	Dark Ice
Guava	Peach
Sweet Pea	Cherry
NuCar	Strawberry
Citrus	Pine
Cucumber Melon	Fresh Air
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SAMPLE REQUESTS



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3.H	8	Consider GBR Committee recommendations for FY23 Budget

Recommendation: MVCPA Staff recommend approval of the FY23 Budget and Obligation Table.

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FY 2023 Proposed Budget Allocation	
Appropriation Total	\$14,979,605
Category	Amount
Grants	\$14,095,605
Advertising and Promotion	\$153,000
All Other Operating	\$140,000
Consumable Supplies	\$3,000
Professional Fees & Services	\$140,000
Salaries and Personnel Costs	\$430,000
Travel	\$18,000
Grand Total	\$14,979,605

MVCPA Board Obligation Table	
FY23 Administration and Operating	\$884,000
FY23 Taskforce Grants	\$13,600,000
FY23 PEPA Grant	\$175,000
FY23 TCOLE Training	\$20,000
FY23 Available for Other Grants	\$300,605
Proposed FY2023 Budget	\$14,979,605
Potential Unexpended Balance	Unknown

Recommendation: MVCPA Staff recommend approval of the FY23 Budget and Obligation Table.



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3.1	9	Consider GBR Committee recommendations requests for modifications to FY2023 Continued Taskforce Grants

RECOMMENDATION:

No changes needed in Grant Amounts or Match Amount.

Approve the request for Dallas PD to lease 2 vehicles and spend up to \$1,500 per month per vehicle in FY22 Q4 and all of FY23.

MVCPA Vehicle Policies

Excerpt from the MVCPA Grant Administrative Manual:

4.7.1 The cost per month of any leased vehicle cannot exceed \$600 in the program budget. The MVCPA and Cash Match portion is limited to the \$600 limit. Any overage may only be reflected as in-Kind match. Costs for leasing vehicles shall include the number of vehicles to be leased and the fee per vehicle. When sharing use of items between programs or with the general agency operations the costs must be prorated in the grant budget to properly reflect the allocation.

MVCPA Vehicle Leases FY2022

Applicant	Description	ABTPA Funds	Cash Match	Grant Total	In-Kind Match	# of Vehicles	Per Month	
Beaumont, City Of	Vehicle Lease 1	\$ 6,251	\$ -	\$ 6,251	\$ -	1	\$ 521	
Beaumont, City Of	Vehicle Lease 2	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,200	1	\$ 600	
Brownsville, City Of	Vehicle Lease	\$ 37,800	\$ -	\$ 37,800		7	\$ 450	
El Paso, City Of	Vehicle Leases	\$ -	\$ 57,600	\$ 57,600	\$ 67,500	15	\$ 695	*
Harris County	Lease Vehicles	\$ -		\$ -	\$ 134,100	21	\$ 532	**
Houston, City Of	(A) Lease Vehicles (Covert/Investigator)	\$ 115,200	\$ -	\$ 115,200		16	\$ 600	
Laredo, City Of	Leased Vehicles	\$ 79,200		\$ 79,200	\$ 39,600	11	\$ 900	
Potter County	Vehicle Lease	\$ -	\$ 21,240	\$ 21,240	\$ -	3	\$ 590	
	Totals	238,451	78,840	317,291	248,400	75		
* El Paso confirmed \$695 per month contract rate.								
** Harris County confirmed \$625 for cars and \$730 for trucks per month.								

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Grant Exception & Eligibility Considerations

FY 2022 Task Force Grants Exception Requests:

City of Dallas:

City of Dallas was approved to buy two trucks on the original FY2022 application. As of the end of May 2022, the vehicles have not been received and no date for receipt has been given. Dallas is requesting an exception for Q4 FY22 and all FY23 to be able to lease 2 vehicles in excess of the current \$600 limit required by the MVCPA. The number of leased vehicles requested is 2. The not to exceed monthly lease amount requested is \$1,500 per month

Staff Recommendation:

MVCPA Staff recommends approving the request for Dallas PD to lease 2 vehicles and spend up to \$1,500 per month per vehicle in FY22 Q4 and all of FY23.

FY 2023 Task Force Grant Renewal Application Exception Requests:

Lubbock County: Requests more Cash Match- No action needed.



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3.J	10	Consider GBR Committee recommendations on the FY2023 MVCPA Taskforce Grant amounts and any standard or special conditions

Recommendation: Staff recommend that the MVCPA award FY23 continued Taskforce grants in the same amounts for FY22 as indicated in the Recommended FY23 Taskforce Grant Awards table.

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Recommended FY23 Taskforce Grant Awards

Grantee Name	Application Submitted	FY 2022 Grant Award		FY23 Application / Continued		Difference		Board Adjustments	
		Award Amount	Match Amount	Award Amount	Match Amount	Award Amount	Match Amount	Board Directed Change	Recommended Final Award
City of Austin	N	\$411,300	\$175,841	\$411,300	\$175,841	\$0	\$0		\$411,300
City of Beaumont	Y	\$583,951	\$137,000	\$583,951	\$137,000	\$0	\$0		\$583,951
City of Brownsville	N	\$1,020,922	\$776,177	\$1,020,922	\$776,177	\$0	\$0		\$1,020,922
Burnet County	Y	\$220,895	\$65,523	\$220,894	\$65,524	-\$1	\$1		\$220,895
City of Corpus Christi	Y	\$429,518	\$247,432	\$429,518	\$247,432	\$0	\$0		\$429,518
City of Dallas	Y	\$797,339	\$176,785	\$797,339	\$176,785	\$0	\$0		\$797,339
Dallas County	Y	\$544,454	\$230,797	\$544,454	\$230,797	\$0	\$0		\$544,454
City of Eagle Pass	N	\$138,059	\$83,638	\$138,059	\$83,638	\$0	\$0		\$138,059
City of El Paso	N	\$975,265	\$378,420	\$975,265	\$378,420	\$0	\$0		\$975,265
Galveston County	Y	\$518,201	\$223,525	\$518,201	\$223,525	\$0	\$0		\$518,201
Harris County	Y	\$853,100	\$188,256	\$853,100	\$188,256	\$0	\$0		\$853,100
City of Houston	Y	\$1,251,130	\$384,097	\$1,251,130	\$384,097	\$0	\$0		\$1,251,130
City of Laredo	Y	\$756,565	\$441,969	\$756,565	\$441,969	\$0	\$0		\$756,565
Lubbock County	N	\$446,785	\$283,136	\$446,785	\$288,568	\$0	\$5,432		\$446,785
City of Mansfield	N	\$331,342	\$184,600	\$331,342	\$184,600	\$0	\$0		\$331,342
Montgomery County	N	\$372,720	\$250,101	\$372,720	\$250,101	\$0	\$0		\$372,720
City of Paris	Y	\$117,857	\$40,573	\$117,857	\$40,573	\$0	\$0		\$117,857
City of Pasadena	N	\$83,940	\$24,060	\$83,940	\$24,060	\$0	\$0		\$83,940
Potter County	N	\$399,494	\$194,090	\$399,494	\$194,090	\$0	\$0		\$399,494
City of San Antonio	N	\$815,785	\$581,881	\$815,785	\$581,881	\$0	\$0		\$815,785
Smith County	N	\$357,474	\$71,496	\$357,474	\$71,497	\$0	\$1		\$357,474
Tarrant County	N	\$1,332,593	\$450,518	\$1,332,593	\$450,518	\$0	\$0		\$1,332,593
Travis County	N	\$697,075	\$139,416	\$697,075	\$139,416	\$0	\$0		\$697,075
City of Victoria	Y	\$144,236	\$28,848	\$144,236	\$28,848	\$0	\$0		\$144,236
Total	11 Submitted	\$13,600,000	\$5,758,179	\$13,599,999	\$5,763,613	-\$1	\$5,434		\$13,600,000

Recommendation: Staff recommend that the MVCPA award FY23 continued Taskforce grants in the same amounts for FY22 as indicated in the Recommended FY23 Taskforce Grant Awards table above.



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3.K	11	Consider GBR Committee recommendations to authorize an additional payment to Texas A&M for the development and implementation of the on-line MAG application, report, and financial process

Recommendation: Authorize the Director to approve an additional payment to Texas A&M in the amount of \$5,000 under the current contract and budget for the additional features and new user interface development.

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Authorize additional payment to Texas A&M for the development and implementation of the on-line MAG application, report, and financial process

March 2, 2022, the MVCPA authorized the MVCPA director to release the Motor Vehicle Crime Auxiliary Grant (MAG) Request for Applications. When the Director reached out to Texas A&M to see if they could assist they quickly provided a concept to allow an application submission, report and financial reimbursement process using some tables that the MVCPA had previously developed. They worked closely with the MVCPA Director and the Law Enforcement Specialist to open a portal for law enforcement agencies to apply for the MAG.

The MAG Application Implementation and Development included

- Modify existing database to create tables for MAG grant applications
- Adjust Grantee tables to allow for indicating Taskforce or MAG grantees
- Edit Grantee tables to indicate choice of grantee
- Create MAG application page
- Create MAG document upload directories for storage and document upload page
- Create MAG-specific resolution page for grantees
- Update Grantee Report tables to include MAGA grants and selection of Taskforce grantees / MAG grantees or both.
- Create MAGA Status Report with key MAGA application variables and options for display
- Adjust menu to allow for display of MAGA Grantees for 2022 grants
- Tested functionality and features
- Responded to minor bug fixes

Application Administration

- Developed user interface for MVCPA staff to document grant administration steps
- Tested functionality and features

Reporting Requirements

- Create expenditure report page to certify expenditure of funds equal to or greater than funded program cost
- Create progress report with mandated indicators
- Tested functionality and features

Recommendation: Authorize the Director to approve an additional payment to Texas A&M in the amount of \$5,000 under the current contract and budget for the additional features and new user interface development.



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3.L	12.A, 12.B, 12.C	Receive summary of selected grantee reports: Brownsville, Austin, Eagle Pass

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Receive Summary of selected grantee reports: Brownsville, Austin, Eagle Pass

MVCPA Chairman Rodriguez in coordination with Grants Budget and Committee Chairman Julio Gonzalez has requested that all Taskforces present information about their programs in the Grants, Budget, and Report (GBR) Committee meetings. MVCPA staff started with three grantees for this meeting.

City of Austin

City of Brownsville

City of Eagle Pass

All grantee representatives were asked to review the same attached standard questions and present responses to the GBR Committee. MVCPA staff pulled data from what each taskforce reported to the MVCPA in Progress Reports for FY FY2019, FY2020, FY2021 and FY2022 year to date. Additional data was pulled from the Texas Department of Public Safety Crime Statistics and Texas Courts System.

Grantee Standard Questions

1. In the FY22 MVCPA Taskforce Grant Application, the grantee provided specific functions that they would perform if funded by the MVCPA in Section 3 of the grantee's Application as part of the Statement of Grant Award.
 - a) Which of the tasks has the taskforce done well?
 - b) Which of the tasks has the taskforce not done well?
 - c) What resources were needed or what reasons kept you from fully meeting the grant functions.
2. Talk about your taskforce's impact on your jurisdiction's UUV crime rate (what you have done, what you're doing, and what's the plan moving forward).
 - a) What challenges do you have in addressing UUV?
 - b) How many UUVs have occurred in your grant jurisdiction?
 - c) Talk about your taskforce's clearance rate (arrest and exceptional) for UUVs.
 - d) How many UUV cases does your task force file each month?
3. Talk about your taskforce's impact on your jurisdiction's BMV and fraud related motor vehicle crime rate (if applicable).
4. How effective do you think your grant program is at obtaining prosecutions and convictions?
5. How many stolen vehicles reported do your taskforce officers recover each month?
 - a) How many were direct touches by taskforce personnel?
 - b) How many by other division in grantee's agency?
 - c) How many by other jurisdictions?
6. How does the taskforce develop and share intelligence information?
 - a) Describe your services, interaction, and support of the coverage agencies listed in your grant application (if no coverage agencies – in your area)
 - b) Provide copies of the last three most recent intelligence information bulletins shared
 - i. Who was the audience the information was shared with?
 - ii. Was it shared with the MVCPA Virtual Command Center (if no, why)?
 - iii. Was it shared during MVCPA law enforcement webinars?

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Austin (APD Auto Burglary and Theft Interdiction Project)

Motor Vehicle Theft (MVT) Data - Grantee Report to MVCPA in GMTS					
Grant Report ID #	Activity	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022 YTD
1.1.15	Number of stolen motor vehicles recovered by taskforce	2,717	4,039	2,877	1,739
1.1.16	Report the number of MVT cases cleared	535	6,446	5,396	341
1.1.17	Number of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft by taskforce	457	586	509	292
1.1.4	MVT related cases presented to prosecutor	362	332	233	197

Motor Vehicle Theft - DPS Data reported by Austin				
Classification	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Motor Vehicle Theft	3,046	4,084	4,575	1,741

Motor Vehicle Theft – Texas Courts Data for Travis County				
Activity	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Filed by Indictment or Information	440	418	287	237
Other Cases Reaching Docket	299	238	177	77
Total cases added:	739	656	464	314
Total Convictions	209	222	226	105

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Brownsville (South Texas Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force)

Motor Vehicle Theft (MVT) Data - Grantee Report to MVCPA in GMTS					
Grant Report ID #	Activity	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022 YTD
1.1.15	Number of stolen motor vehicles recovered by taskforce	305	220	249	124
1.1.16	Report the number of MVT cases cleared	120	108	124	67
1.1.17	Number of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft by taskforce	110	106	94	53
1.1.4	MVT related cases presented to prosecutor	147	162	167	106

Motor Vehicle Theft - DPS Data reported by Brownsville, Edinburg, McAllen and Pharr					
Classification	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD	
Motor Vehicle Theft	249	306	346	93	

Motor Vehicle Theft – Texas Courts Data for Cameron and Hidalgo counties					
Activity	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD	
Filed by Indictment or Information	150	109	143	36	
Other Cases Reaching Docket	101	65	101	35	
Total cases added:	251	174	244	71	
Total Convictions	68	45	50	14	

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Brownsville (South Texas Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force) Continued

Burglary of a Motor Vehicle (BMV) Data - Grantee Report to MVCPA in GMTS					
Grant Report ID #	Activity	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022 YTD
2.1.12	Number of BMV including parts cases cleared	328	300	203	96
2.1.13	Number of persons arrested for BMV including parts by taskforce	237	211	176	87
2.1.7	BMV related cases presented to prosecutor	355	287	191	110

Burglary of a Motor Vehicle - DPS Data reported by Brownsville, Edinburg, McAllen and Pharr				
Classification	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
FROM MOTOR VEHICLES	1,958	1,606	1,584	468
MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	445	408	539	145
TOTAL:	2,403	2,014	2,123	613

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Eagle Pass Auto Theft Task Force

Motor Vehicle Theft (MVT) Data - Grantee Report to MVCPA in GMTS					
Grant Report ID #	Activity	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022 YTD
1.1.15	Number of stolen motor vehicles recovered by taskforce	52	62	75	46
1.1.16	Report the number of MVT cases cleared	25	31	35	24
1.1.17	Number of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft by taskforce	10	27	31	27
1.1.4	MVT related cases presented to prosecutor	7	26	27	20

Motor Vehicle Theft - DPS Data reported by Eagle Pass				
Classification	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Motor Vehicle Theft	48	45	71	27

Motor Vehicle Theft – Texas Courts Data for Maverick County				
Activity	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Filed by Indictment or Information	1	1	0	0
Other Cases Reaching Docket	2	2	1	0
Total cases added:	3	3	1	0
Total Convictions	0	1	0	0

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Eagle Pass Auto Theft Task Force - Continued

Burglary of a Motor Vehicle (BMV) Data - Grantee Report to MVCPA in GMTS					
Grant Report ID #	Activity	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022 YTD
2.1.12	Number of BMV including parts cases cleared	17	12	34	7
2.1.13	Number of persons arrested for BMV including parts by taskforce	10	9	25	7
2.1.7	BMV related cases presented to prosecutor	6	3	27	2

Burglary of a Motor Vehicle - DPS Data reported by Eagle Pass				
Classification	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
FROM MOTOR VEHICLES	113	79	107	28
MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS AND ACCESSORIES	12	20	55	11
TOTAL:	125	99	162	39



Board Agenda Item #	GBR Comm. Item #	Item Description
3.M	14	GBR Committee Report on MVCPA publications, FY2024-2025 grant scoring and award determination process and other grant issues

RECOMMENDATION: No Action on this item recommended.

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Discussion of MVCPA Scoring System for Use in FY24-25 Grant Cycle

Board Members may provide recommendations on the current or future Scoring or Approval process

- ❖ **Current Grant Scoring Process was Adopted in October 2014 by Board**
 - **Required staff and at least one board member to score**
 - **Uses minimum thresholds to disqualify applications based on need**
 - **Board allowed first time use to remove two small grants in FY15**
 - **Since that time board has overridden disqualifications**

❖ **Modified slightly 2015 to incorporate MVT and BMV data**

❖ **Grant Scoring performed every Grant Cycle since approval**

❖ **Grant Scoring has never been used to determine Grants award amounts**

❖ **Board Members have repeatedly expressed disapproval of current Scoring process**

Texas Transportation Code Sec. 1006.151. GRANTS. Provides that the MVCPA maintain performance measures for the grants and award grants primarily

Sec. 1006.151. GRANTS. (a) Subject to the requirements of this section, the authority may enter into contracts in the authority's own name and on the authority's own behalf with recipients of grants for purposes of this chapter.

(b) The authority shall:

- (1) develop and periodically update standard performance measures for each category of grants provided by the authority for use in assessing grantee success in achieving the purposes of this chapter; and
- (2) ensure that grants are used to help increase:
 - (A) the recovery rate of stolen motor vehicles;
 - (B) the clearance rate of:
 - (i) motor vehicle burglaries and thefts; and
 - (ii) fraud-related motor vehicle crimes; and
 - (C) the number of persons arrested for motor vehicle burglary and theft and fraud-related motor vehicle crime.

(c) The authority shall allocate grant funds primarily based on the number of motor vehicles stolen in, or the motor vehicle burglary or theft rate across, and the number of fraud-related motor vehicle crimes committed in the state rather than based on geographic distribution.

(d) The authority shall, in consultation with the department, annually update the performance measures developed under Subsection (b).

Transferred, redesignated and amended from Vernon's Civil Statutes, Sections 6(j) and (k), Art/Sec 4413(37) by Acts 2019, 86th Leg., R.S., Ch. 594 (S.B. 604), Sec. 5.21, **eff. September 1, 2019.**



Board Agenda Item

Section 4. Reports on MVCPA activities identified by the Director as noteworthy, which may include reports on:

Item A. Personnel

Item B. Budget

Item C. Grant Activities and Analysis

Item D. Grant Adjustments

Item E. Educational Programs and Marketing

Item F. MVCPA Law Enforcement Training

Item G. Assessment, Collection, Refund Activities

Item H. Agency Operations

Item I. Law Enforcement Operations and TxDMV Collaboration

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Personnel

Gresham Kay – MVCPA Grant Specialist III – Started April 1

Gresham is originally from Austin. After attending graduate school out-of-state, he and his wife have been back in Texas since 2012. Gresham has previously worked in procurement at the state and local levels. Prior to coming to MVCPA, he worked at the Texas Department of Agriculture on child nutrition grant programs.

MVCPA Grant Specialist III manages the financial and progress report processes. Assists grantees with program implementation coordination. Assists with advertising and social media efforts coordinates distribution of materials.

Iris Shea - MVCPA Summer Intern - Program Specialist

Iris Shea is a Senior at the University of Texas at Austin pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Arts and Entertainment Technologies, Computer Science certificate, and Business minor. After graduation, she hopes to travel and pursue a career in law. While she is a native Houstonian, her family is originally from Taiwan, so living in humidity is in her blood. In her free time, she loves to craft, watch videos about food, and play with her dogs

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Grant Activities and Analysis

FY21 Report Final

Statutory Performance Measures FY2021 Q1-Q4

1.1.15	Increase the recovery rate of stolen motor vehicles Number of vehicles recovered by taskforces	11,540
1.1.16	Increase the clearance rate of motor vehicle thefts Number of motor vehicle theft cases cleared	15,835
1.1.17	Increase the number of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft Number of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft by taskforces	3,171
2.1.12	Increase the clearance rate of motor vehicle burglaries Number of burglary cases cleared	1,762
2.1.13	Increase the number of persons arrested for motor vehicle burglary Number of persons arrested for burglary by taskforces	663
8.1.1	Increase the clearance rate of fraud-related motor vehicle crimes Number of fraud-related motor vehicle cases cleared	224
8.1.2	Increase the number of persons arrested for fraud-related motor vehicle crimes. Number of persons arrested for fraud-related motor vehicle crimes	78

Other Performance Measures FY2021 Q1-Q4

1.1.10	Number of stolen vehicles recovered in response to LPR alerts Number of vehicles recovered from LPR detection	1,598
1.3.2	Conduct 68(A) inspections (for TxDMV assignment or reassignment of VIN). Number of vehicles inspected to complete 68(A) inspections.	23,590
4.1.2	Inspect vehicles at bridge/port Number of vehicles inspected	5,184

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FY22 Report Year to Date

Statutory Performance Measures

FY2022 Q1-Q3 (partial)

As of: 6/6/22

1.1.15	Increase the recovery rate of stolen motor vehicles Number of vehicles recovered by taskforces	6,829
1.1.16	Increase the clearance rate of motor vehicle thefts Number of motor vehicle theft cases cleared	5,039
1.1.17	Increase the number of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft Number of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft by taskforces	1,3789
2.1.12	Increase the clearance rate of motor vehicle burglaries Number of burglary cases cleared	1,100
2.1.13	Increase the number of persons arrested for motor vehicle burglary Number of persons arrested for burglary by taskforces	395
8.1.1	Increase the clearance rate of fraud-related motor vehicle crimes Number of fraud-related motor vehicle cases cleared	158
8.1.2	Increase the number of persons arrested for fraud-related motor vehicle crimes. Number of persons arrested for fraud-related motor vehicle crimes	53

Other Performance Measures

FY2022 Q1-Q3 (partial)

As of: 6/6/22

1.1.10	Number of stolen vehicles recovered in response to LPR alerts Number of vehicles recovered from LPR detection	1,063
1.3.2	Conduct 68(A) inspections (for TxDMV assignment or reassignment of VIN). Number of vehicles inspected to complete 68(A) inspections.	13,933
4.1.2	Inspect vehicles at bridge/port Number of vehicles inspected	2,903

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FY2022 Grant Adjustment Report

Grant adjustment changes the terms of MVCPA contract with grantees. As such, the MVCPA director reports all requested modifications of grant awards to the MVCPA Board of Directors each meeting. The following grant adjustments were approved after the last board meeting on 03/02/2022:

Grant Program	Adjustment Type	Description	Budget Adjustment Total	Approval Date
Austin	Budget	Move \$30,039 from Program Income to the Overtime category for assignments resolving vehicle theft investigations.	\$30,039	03/24/2022
Dallas	Budget	Move \$100 from Program Income into the budget for operational expenses related to paper tags.	\$100	03/25/2022
El Paso	Program	Approval for artwork wrap on the EPPD ATTF Public Awareness Truck.		04/05/2022
Dallas County	Budget	Move \$36,000 from Program Income to Equipment to purchase a new vehicle. The vehicle had been purchased in FY21 but was not delivered due to worldwide manufacturing delays.	\$36,000	04/18/2022
Dallas County	Budget	Move \$45,500 from Program Income to Equipment to purchase 3 new license plate readers. Move \$30,910 from Program Income to Supplies/DOE to cover outstanding invoices and projected operating expenses for the remainder of FY22. Reallocate \$3,200 in equipment funds to purchase surveillance binoculars.	\$76,410	05/13/2022
Dallas County	Budget	Move \$38,000 from the Program Income Account to Equipment to purchase a new vehicle.	\$38,000	05/13/2022
Mansfield	Budget	Move \$57,000 from Program Income to Equipment to fund the purchase of upgraded radios for Taskforce officers. Move \$3,000 from Program Income to Supplies/DOE and \$350 from Program Income to the Travel.	\$60,350	05/17/2022
Tarrant County	Budget	Move \$34,000 from Supplies/DOE and \$9,000 from Program Income to Equipment to purchase laptop computers for office and field work.	\$9,000	05/17/2022

FY22: 7 Budget Change – 1 Program Change

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The MVCPA began providing the Intermediate and Advanced Motor Vehicle Crime Investigator (referred to IMVIT and AMVIT) training in 2017. The training is provided with agents from the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB), MVCPA taskforces, and representatives from the Texas Association of Motor Vehicle Investigators (TAVTI) using and updating DPS developed training material. The trainings qualify as free Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) credits for officers through the TxDMV TCOLE training board. Classes are offered first to MVCPA taskforces and DPS and then opened for statewide enrollment. Investigators designated as motor vehicle crime investigators by their agencies completing this training qualify under TxDMV rules to perform confidential Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) inspection required for certain title transaction under Texas Transportation Code Chapter 501. MVCPA funded investigators complete over 23,000 of these inspections for the TxDMV and local Tax Assessor Collectors in FY21.

Investigators completing the training have access to confidential and proprietary databases managed by the NICB used to identify vehicles using confidential means needed to title vehicles. The MVCPA has scheduled two IMVIT trainings and one AMVIT training events for the second half of FY22. The first IMVIT training was scheduled to be held in San Antonio but had to be cancelled due to a low number of registered attendees and a review of the previously established instructor reimbursement process for travel expenses of taskforce investigators providing the training. The second IMVIT training is scheduled to be held in El Paso at the end of June. The AMVIT training is scheduled to be held in August. The MVCPA will begin drafting the FY23 training schedule. Montgomery County and Travis County have showed an interest in hosting future training events.

The MVCPA Law Enforcement Coordinator participates and trains at the NICB Auto Theft seminars. In the 3rd quarter of FY 2022, he participated in 4 schools. The first was held in Lubbock in March with approximately 50 in attendance. The second was held in Pearland in March with approximately 50 in attendance. The third was held in Midland/Odessa in April with approximately 60 in attendance. The fourth was held in Georgetown in May with approximately 50 in attendance.

The MVCPA has also coordinated with the Houston Police Department and the Vehicle Fraud Unit to replicate their Auto Dealership Fraud Training that has been successful in Houston and recently expanded to Dallas and San Antonio. This training is supported by area car dealer associations, recent feedback from the North Texas Auto Dealers Association indicated their continued support for this training to be replicated in other areas of the state. Planning is underway for an Auto Dealership Fraud Training, hosted by Travis County, in July.

Upcoming Training

MVCPA			
MVCPA Intermediate Crime Investigator Training		June 27 through June 30	El Paso
MVCPA Advanced Crime Investigator Training		August 22 through August 2	Fort Worth
FY2023	TBD		
NICB			
NICB Auto Theft Seminar	Limited to TxDPS	June 6 through June 8	Austin
NICB Auto Theft Seminar	Class is Full	June 14 through June 16	San Antonio
NICB Auto Theft Seminar	Class is Full	July 12 through July 14	Denton
NICB Auto Theft Seminar	Limited to TxDPS	August 16 through August 18	Houston
NICB Auto Theft Seminar		TBD	South Padre

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MVCPA Fee Collections

In October 2021, collection letters were sent to 66 insurance companies who had not filed CY2020 MVCPA fee reports to the Texas State Comptroller's office. Of those 22 were brought into compliance and filed missing reports. Six non-filers have ultimately made payments totaling \$107,704. These filers are currently under review to determine assessment of late filing / payment charges.

Filings and Remittances After Collection Letters

Company Name	Remittance Amount
LANCER INDEMNITY COMPANY	\$ -
PUBLIC SERVICE INSURANCE COMPANY IN REHABILITATION	\$ -
PERMANENT GENERAL ASSURANCE CORPORATION	\$ 384.00
PHILADELPHIA INDEMNITY INSURANCE COMPANY	\$ 79,784.00
GENERAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY INC	\$ 6,700.00
AMERICAN MOTORISTS INSURANCE COMPANY-IN RECEIVERSHIP	\$ -
LUMBERMENS MUTUAL CASUALTY COMPANY-IN RECEIVERSHIP	\$ -
AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS MUTUAL-IN RECEIVERSHIP	\$ -
AMERISURE INSURANCE COMPANY	\$ 19,016.00
AMERISURE PARTNERS INSURANCE COMPANY	\$ 1,276.00
JEWELERS MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, S.I.	\$ -
GEICO CASUALTY COMPANY	\$ -
MEDMARC CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY	\$ -
PERMANENT GENERAL ASSURANCE CORPORATION OF OHIO	\$ 544.00
SAN ANTONIO INDEMNITY COMPANY	\$ -
ASCOT INSURANCE COMPANY	\$ -
21ST CENTURY INSURANCE COMPANY	\$ -
THE DOCTORS' COMPANY AN INTERINSURANCE EXCHANGE	\$ -
21ST CENTURY CASUALTY COMPANY	\$ -
NUOVO INDEMNITY RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC.	\$ -
GOVERNMENT TECHNOLOGY INSURANCE COMPANY RRG, INC.	\$ -
SUMMIT INSURANCE COMPANY, A RISK RETENTION GROUP	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 107,704.00

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Law Enforcement Operations and Collaboration

Intelligence Sharing has remained active in both the Motor Vehicle Crime Investigator Virtual Command Center (VCC) and law enforcement (LE) webinars. Intelligence shared in the VCC and webinars has continues to provide LE officers opportunities to recognize similar patterns of criminal activity occurring in multiple jurisdictions and occasionally the same suspects. The National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) has posted US Border Crossing Reports. The Texas Department of Public Safety has allowed the Monthly Auto Theft Report and the weekly Border Operations Security Assessment (BOSA) to be distributed into the VCC. The VCC has demonstrated value for providing an outlet for the secure sharing of information.

Currently there are **62 Active members** in the VCC with **19 taskforces represented**. Several grantees have multiple investigators with active membership. MVCPA Accessory Grant (MAG) agencies will bring an increase of participation in the sharing of intelligence information. It is anticipated agencies awarded a MAG grant will also increase collaborations between grantees and their coverage agencies.

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Operational Plan New Data Summary for FY2022

Section 1 Co-location

Are members of the taskforce co-located?

6 All of the time 3 Occasionally 3 Never [No Response: 2]

Section 2 Grantee and Subgrantee Meetings

By what primary method do scheduled meetings occur and how often are they held for those in the GRANTEE agency only?

Method: 14 In-Person

Frequency: 3 Daily 6 Weekly 2 Every two weeks 2 Monthly 0 Quarterly 1 Yearly

By what primary method do scheduled meetings occur and how often are they held that include the GRANTEE agency and INDIVIDUAL SUBGRANTEE agencies?

Method: 14 In-Person

Frequency: 3 Daily 7 Weekly 0 Every two weeks 3 Monthly 0 Quarterly 1 Yearly

By what primary method do scheduled meetings occur and how often are they held that include the ENTIRE TASKFORCE?

Method: 14 In-Person

Frequency: 2 Daily 6 Weekly 0 Every two weeks 4 Monthly 2 Quarterly

Describe the taskforce meetings with grantee and subgrantee agencies. Include meeting organization, attendees, information, operational issues and progress report and performance data collection issue.

14 Responses

Examples of Text Responses

Task Force investigators are assigned liaison areas throughout Galveston County and into surrounding and adjacent territories. Each area has several cities in the assignment. We conduct daily briefings to evaluate the current trends of motor vehicle burglary/parts and motor vehicle theft cases

All Task Force members and sub-grantee agencies (DPS and NICB agents) meet in person a minimum of weekly.

Section 3 Grantee and Subgrantee Contacts and Communication

By what primary method and how often does communication occur among those in the GRANTEE agency only?

Method: 11 In-Person

Frequency: 12 Daily 1 Weekly

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By what primary method and how often does communication occur that include the GRANTEE agency and INDIVIDUAL SUBGRANTEES?

Method: 9 In-Person 0 Virtual 2 EMail 3 Phone

Frequency: 7 Daily 5 Weekly 0 Every two weeks 0 Monthly 0 Quarterly 1 Yearly [No Response: 1]

By what primary method and how often does communication occur that include the ENTIRE TASKFORCE?

Method: 7 In-Person 5 Virtual 0 EMail 0 Phone 0 Other [No Response: 1]

Frequency: 7 Daily 4 Weekly 1 Every two weeks 2 Monthly

Describe the taskforce communication with grantee and subgrantee agencies. Include regular, occasional and ad hoc communication about cases, reporting, and trends.

14 Responses

Examples of Text Responses

Mandatory staff meetings are done on Wednesdays with all three task force members

We will collaborate with participants including detectives and crime analysts from virtually each agency in our coverage area, and further covering the entire southeast region of Texas

We hold weekly meetings with all investigators assigned by subgrantee agencies. During the meetings, we discuss intel, related cases, grant goals, and task force goals. We plan for the upcoming week and talk about how we will provide training and intel to our member agencies. The subgrantee's investigators meet with their department every other week and disseminate intel. Our Task Force is co-located, and we do not have issues with data collection.

Describe meetings that grantee and subgrantee agencies perform with or for coverage agencies. Include purpose, method and frequency of meetings.

14 Responses

Examples of Text Responses

Due to the wide coverage area coverage area jurisdictions are usually met with on a monthly basis by telephone. The purpose of the meetings is for updates on status, spikes in crime or special needs that can be addressed by the taskforce.

There are few formally scheduled meeting with coverage area agencies . However, TF investigators that are assigned to cover and assist the coverage agencies generally meet with the investigators on a regular basis and discuss their cases and trends and share intelligence.

The grantee agency conducts quarterly meetings with coverage agencies and are primarily via email. The purpose is to update the coverage agencies on the status of the taskforce

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Describe contact that grantee and subgrantee have with coverage agencies. Include purpose, method and frequency of contact.

14 Responses

Examples of Text Responses

Members in the Task Force communicate with various officers from varying departments in the coverage area. Most interactions occur during investigatory and intelligence sharing purposes.

BOLO/Intel Reports are sent out randomly, once weekly on an average. Intelligence meeting information is sent out monthly. Stats on auto theft related activity/incidents is requested and received by email on a monthly basis. MVCPA Law Enforcement & other Intelligence meeting information is sent out monthly.

All coverage agencies are met with in person yearly. During this meeting contact information is shared including all Unit members contact information (Phone, cell and email). Contact information on who, from that agency, works auto theft. Most information is shared between the Unit and the cover agencies by emails and phone conversations. Some intelligence is sent to some of the agencies, by request, four times a week.

Describe a plan to develop, collect, process, disseminate, and receive feedback, intelligence information. Describe who (sub grantee, coverage agencies, and or other) and how the intelligence is disseminated. Is the information posted to the Virtual Command Center?

14 Responses

Examples of Text Responses

Task Force utilizes intelligence led policing strategies to identify suspects, crime trends and patterns within our coverage areas. Once specific issues are identified, information collection will be focused, coordinated, and based on a clear collection plan. The Task Force utilizes Microsoft TEAMS as the software hub for collecting, processing and disseminating information within the taskforce. Task Force personnel will then meet regularly to explore crime leads, answer questions, and develop intelligence in support of active crimes and investigations. Task Force members also participate in weekly intelligence meetings with investigators from other investigative units within the grantee and subgrantee agencies where information and intel is shared. The plan is to share the intelligence produced on the Virtual Command Center.

task force shares information regarding ongoing investigations, trends, and intelligence regarding motor vehicle crime with subgrantees and coverage agencies. Information is shared in person, via phone or by email. Once access to Virtual Command Center is acquired information will be shared there as well.

Intelligence sharing is done on an as needed basis. This process is collection of data daily and when trends develop information is disseminated via meetings in person, phone calls, text, or email. We further disseminate information through VCC to other task forces and agencies through the State of Texas

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Describe how cases are assigned to taskforce personnel. Include if subgrantees are assigned cases from taskforce commander, the sub grantee agency, or both.

14 Responses

Examples of Text Responses

Task force is assigned cases by the program manager or the task force commander. Our sub grantees are also assigned cases by their respective supervisor, task force program manager or task force commander.

Cases are assigned first by geographic area, second depending on case load, on call status and availability. Cases are both assigned from the taskforce and the subgrantees own agency.

All auto theft cases from the grantee and subgrantees are worked by the Unit. The commander assigns cases from one of the subgrantees. This subgrantee has three investigators assigned. The other two subgrantees are assigned cases by their agencies. There is only investigator for each of the other two subgrantees. If a coverage agency needs assistance with a case the commander assigns any investigator to assist with the investigation.