



COMMISSIONERS COURT  
COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE: 01/23/2024

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN TARRANT COUNTY AND THE CITY OF FORT WORTH  
RELATED TO THE DISTRIBUTION AND ALLOCATION OF THE  
FISCAL YEAR 2023 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE  
ASSISTANCE GRANT AWARD**

**\*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\***

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Tarrant County and the City of Fort Worth regarding the distribution and allocation of the County's portion of the FY 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Award.

**BACKGROUND**

On November 21, 2023, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #142151, approved an MOU between Tarrant County, the City of Fort Worth, and the City of Arlington for the division of FY 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds awarded by the Department of Justice (DOJ).

Under the FY 2023 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, the DOJ awarded a total of \$598,089.00 to be distributed to Tarrant County, the City of Fort Worth, and the City of Arlington. The City of Fort Worth agreed to serve as the fiscal agent for the grant and is responsible for distribution of the funds per the MOU.

Approval of this MOU allows the fiscal agent to disburse Tarrant County's allocation of \$157,755.00 from the total \$598,089.00 grant award to support the Tarrant County Mental Health Law Enforcement Liaison Program operated by MHMR of Tarrant County.

The Criminal District Attorney's Office has approved this MOU as to form.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Tarrant County will receive a total of \$157,755.00 to support the Tarrant County Mental Health Law Enforcement Liaison Program.

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