



COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION

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DATE: 03/19/2024

SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND RESOLUTION TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE GRANT YEAR 2024 URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM TO SUPPORT THE TARRANT COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve submission of the Grant application and resolution to the Office of the Governor for the Grant Year (GY) 2024 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Program to support the Tarrant County Emergency Management Enhancement Project.

BACKGROUND

The Office of the Governor is responsible for coordinating homeland security initiatives such as the UASI Grant Program. The UASI is awarded to states and urban areas to enhance the ability to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks.

Since 2004, Tarrant County has applied for and received funding through the UASI grant program to support various projects related to emergency management.

The Emergency Management Enhancement Project was established in 2008 to support the salaries of one (1) full-time planning position and one (1) part-time planner. These planners assist with resource identification, updating multiple plans, and other emergency management-related activities. Additionally, the funds cover costs related to planning such as registration fees and travel to conferences, trainings, and exercises.

If approved, Tarrant County Emergency Management will submit the GY 2024 UASI grant program application and resolution to the Office of the Governor to continue the Emergency Management Enhancement Project, supporting the salaries of one (1) full-time position and one (1) part-time position.

Tarrant County Budget and Risk Management Office has reviewed the grant application.

FISCAL IMPACT

Tarrant County expects to receive \$189,527.42 in UASI grant funds for GY 2024.

No grant match is required.

No indirect costs allowed for this grant.

No operating subsidy required for this grant.

Positions funded by grants or special funds may be eliminated due to loss of funding at any time, and Tarrant County has no obligation to assume funding for these positions.

SUBMITTED BY:	Budget and Risk Mgmt	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	William Wessel
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