

## Tarrant County Taskforce Grant Application for Fiscal Year 2023

[Request for Application \(RFA\)](#)Primary Agency / Grantee Legal Name: *Tarrant County*Organization Type: *Law Enforcement*Organization ORI (if applicable): *TX2200000: TARRANT CO SO***Program Title** Please enter a short description of the proposed program that can be used as the title.*Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Taskforce***Application Category** (See **Request for Applications** [RFA] for category details and descriptions RFA Priority Funding Section):**MVCPA Program Category** (see **RFA** and TAC 43, 3 §57.14). Check all that apply.

- Law Enforcement, Detection and Apprehension
- Prosecution, Adjudication and Conviction
- Prevention, Anti-Theft Devices and Motor Vehicle Registration
- Reduction of the Sale of Stolen Vehicles or Parts
- Education Programs and Marketing

**Taskforce Grant Participation and Coverage Area****Provide a General Description of the Participating and Coverage Area of this Grant Application**

The TRACTF provides LE assistance to all police agencies in Tarrant, Parker, Wise, Palo Pinto, Somervell, Hood and Jack counties. The TRACTF provides technical assistance to the Fort Worth Regional DMV office and tax offices of the above listed counties. In addition the TRACTF supports the Wichita Falls Regional DMV office and tax offices/citizens by providing VIN inspections for Archer, Clay, Montague, Wichita and Young counties.

**Define in the tables below the grant relationships and geographic area of the taskforce:**

Applicant will add the participating and coverage agencies from the ORI list below. If an agency is not in the ORI list, please include the agency and role in the general description above. Make sure to follow the definitions below and select an agency in the dropdown. Use the *Add as Participating Agency* or *Add as Coverage Agency* button to populate the list.

**Participating Agencies** are agencies that materially participate in the grant application through the exchange of funds for reimbursement and cash match. Participating agencies are defined after the grant award by interlocal/interagency agreements. Each applicant must select their own agency first. Then select agencies that will receive or provide funding and/or resources. [Note: Interlocal/interagency agreements do not need to be submitted with the application. Interlocal agreements will need to be executed prior to the first payment being made if selected for a grant. Letters of support with the application from the participating agencies are strongly recommended.]

**Coverage Agencies** are agencies that provided some level of coverage, assistance or support by this grant application but will not materially exchange funds as cash match or reimbursement. The coverage is not supported by an after the award with interlocal/interagency agreements. Coverage agencies as law enforcement agencies may have jurisdictional coverage agreements unrelated to the grant (Ex. City Y is within County X or vice versa). Agencies selected in this list include agencies that will be covered or where the agency indicates that their agency will coordinate or call upon the taskforce. Letters of support with the application from the participating agencies are strongly recommended.

Participating Agencies	Coverage Agencies
TX1840000 PARKER CO SO (IBR)	TX1110000 HOOD CO SO
TX2200000 TARRANT CO SO	TX1110100 GRANBURY PD
TX2200100 ARLINGTON PD (MIP)	TX1190000 JACK CO SO (AE)
TX2200900 EULESS PD	TX1190100 JACKSBORO PD
TX2201200 FORT WORTH PD (MIP/IBR)	TX1820000 PALO PINTO CO SO

TX2201400 HALTOM CITY PD  
TX2201600 HURST PD

TX1820200 MINERAL WELLS PD  
TX1840100 WEATHERFORD PD  
TX1840300 SPRINGTOWN PD  
TX1840400 HUDSON OAKS PD  
TX1840500 WILLOW PARK PD  
TX2130000 SOMERVELL CO SO  
TX2200200 AZLE PD  
TX2200300 BEDFORD PD (IBR)  
TX2200400 BENBROOK PD  
TX2200500 BLUE MOUND PD (AE)  
TX2200600 CROWLEY PD  
TX2200700 DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS PD  
TX2201000 EVERMAN PD  
TX2201100 FOREST HILL PD  
TX2201300 GRAPEVINE PD (AE)  
TX2201800 LAKESIDE PD  
TX2201900 LAKE WORTH PD  
TX2202100 NO RICHLAND HILLS PD (AE)  
TX2202200 RICHLAND HILLS PD  
TX2202300 RIVER OAKS PD  
TX2202400 SAGINAW PD  
TX2202500 SANSOM PARK VILLAGE PD  
TX2202600 WATAUGA PD  
TX2202700 WESTOVER HILLS PD  
TX2202800 WESTWORTH PD  
TX2202900 WHITE SETTLEMENT PD  
TX2203000 KELLER PD (AE)  
TX2203100 PANTEGO PD  
TX2203200 SOUTHLAKE PD (AE)  
TX2203300 UT ARLINGTON PD  
TX2203600 D/FW AIRPORT PD (IBR)  
TX2203700 TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIV PD  
TX2204000 COLLEYVILLE PD  
TX2204800 Pelican Bay PD  
TX2204900 UNT HTH SCI CTR PD (AE)  
TX2205000 TARRANT CO HOSP DIST PD (AE)  
TX2490000 WISE CO SO  
TX2490100 BRIDGEPORT PD (AE)  
TX2490200 DECATUR PD (IBR)  
TX2490800 RUNAWAY BAY PD (AE)  
TX2490900 BOYD PD

• **Other Coverage** (Use if ORI not listed or explanation is necessary.):

*The TRACTF supports the Wichita Falls Regional DMV office and tax offices/citizens by providing VIN inspections for Archer, Clay, Montague, Wichita and Young counties.*

• **National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB)** Used as Match (Documentation and time certification required.)

• **Other State or Federal Agency** (specify:) *Texas Department of Motor Vehicles*

**Resolution:** Complete a Resolution and submit to local governing body for approval. [Sample Resolution](#) is found in the Request for Application or send a request for an electronic copy to [grantsMVCPA@txdmv.gov](mailto:grantsMVCPA@txdmv.gov). The completed and executed Resolution must be attached to this on-line application.

### Grant Budget Form

MVCPA recommends that the applicant complete the total costs (MVCPA and Cash Match combined) for this program. The applicant can then enter the desired amount of Cash Match (not less than 20% per TAC Title 43, Â\$57.36). The system will then calculate the correct grant and match amounts.

**Budget Entry Option:**

Enter MVCPA and Cash Match Amounts

Budget Category	MVCPA Expenditures	Cash Match Expenditures	Total Expenditures	In-Kind Match
<i>Personnel</i>	\$410,114	\$0	\$410,114	
<i>Fringe</i>	\$46,220	\$129,301	\$175,521	
<i>Overtime</i>	\$300	\$8,428	\$8,728	
<i>Professional and Contract Services</i>	\$729,599	\$405,938	\$1,135,537	
<i>Travel</i>	\$4,443	\$0	\$4,443	
<i>Equipment</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Budget Category	MVCPA Expenditures	Cash Match Expenditures	Total Expenditures	In-Kind Match
<i>Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses (DOE)</i>	\$141,917	\$1,000	\$142,917	
Total	\$1,332,593	\$544,667	\$1,877,260	
Cash Match Percentage		40.87%		

Description	Subcategory	Pct Time	MVCPA Funds	Cash Match	Total	In-Kind Match
<b>Personnel</b>						
Commander	Investigator/LEO	100	\$114,193	\$0	\$114,193	
Administrative Assistant	Administrative / Support	100	\$47,630	\$0	\$47,630	
General Office Clerk	Administrative / Support	100	\$48,351	\$0	\$48,351	
Deputy	Investigator/LEO	100	\$78,584	\$0	\$78,584	
Tarrant County Prosecutor	Legal	100	\$121,356	\$0	\$121,356	
Total Personnel		500	\$410,114	\$0	\$410,114	
<b>Fringe</b>						
Tarrant County Prosecutor	Legal		\$0	\$45,520	\$45,520	
Commander	Investigator/LEO		\$12,029	\$31,555	\$43,584	
Administrative Assistant	Administrative / Support		\$10,852	\$14,620	\$25,472	
General Clerk	Administrative / Support		\$10,864	\$14,804	\$25,668	
Deputy	Investigator/LEO		\$12,475	\$22,802	\$35,277	
Total Fringe			\$46,220	\$129,301	\$175,521	
<b>Overtime</b>						
TCSO Administrative Assistant	Administrative / Support		\$100	\$2,281	\$2,381	
TCSO Office Secretary	Administrative / Support		\$100	\$2,318	\$2,418	
TCSO Detective	Investigator/LEO		\$100	\$3,829	\$3,929	
Total Overtime			\$300	\$8,428	\$8,728	
<b>Professional and Contract Services</b>						
Hurst Sergeant	Investigator/LEO - personnel	100	\$101,196	\$0	\$101,196	
Hurst Sergeant	Investigator/LEO - fringe	100	\$9,138	\$27,583	\$36,721	
Hurst Sergeant	Investigator/LEO - overtime	100	\$100	\$4,960	\$5,060	
Arlington Detective	Investigator/LEO - personnel	100	\$98,216	\$0	\$98,216	
Arlington Detective	Investigator/LEO - fringe	100	\$1,126	\$24,835	\$25,961	
Arlington Detective	Investigator/LEO - overtime	100	\$100	\$4,811	\$4,911	
Eules Detective	Investigator/LEO - personnel	100	\$97,654	\$1,287	\$98,941	
Eules Detective	Investigator/LEO - fringe	100	\$0	\$23,126	\$23,126	
Eules Detective	Investigator/LEO - overtime	100	\$100	\$4,847	\$4,947	
Fort Worth Detective	Investigator/LEO - personnel	100	\$110,856	\$0	\$110,856	
Fort Worth Detective	Investigator/LEO - fringe	100	\$17,476	\$32,083	\$49,559	
Fort Worth Detective	Investigator/LEO - overtime	100	\$100	\$5,443	\$5,543	
Haltom City Detective	Investigator/LEO - personnel	100	\$88,886	\$0	\$88,886	
Haltom City Detective	Investigator/LEO - fringe	100	\$14,663	\$25,887	\$40,550	

Description	Subcategory	Pct Time	MVCPA Funds	Cash Match	Total	In-Kind Match
Haltom City Detective	Investigator/LEO - overtime	100	\$100	\$4,344	\$4,444	
Hurst Detective	Investigator/LEO - personnel	100	\$85,970	\$0	\$85,970	
Hurst Detective	Investigator/LEO - fringe	100	\$9,836	\$23,952	\$33,788	
Hurst Detective	Investigator/LEO - overtime	100	\$100	\$4,199	\$4,299	
Parker County Detective	Investigator/LEO - personnel	100	\$83,521	\$0	\$83,521	
Parker County Detective	Investigator/LEO - fringe	100	\$10,361	\$23,470	\$33,831	
Parker County Detective	Investigator/LEO - overtime	100	\$100	\$4,076	\$4,176	
NICB Agent "Cash in Lieu"	NICB - personnel	100	\$0	\$72,204	\$72,204	
NICB Agent "Cash in Lieu"	NICB - fringe	100	\$0	\$57,756	\$57,756	
NICB Investigative Spec "Cash in Lieu"	NICB - personnel	100	\$0	\$48,149	\$48,149	
NICB Investigative Spec "Cash in Lieu"	NICB - fringe	100	\$0	\$12,926	\$12,926	
Total Professional and Contract Services		2500	\$729,599	\$405,938	\$1,135,537	

**Travel**

MVCPA Meetings	Administrative In-state		\$2,443	\$0	\$2,443	
TAVTI Convention	Training In-State		\$1,800	\$0	\$1,800	
Emergency Investigative Travel	Law enforcement In-State		\$200	\$0	\$200	
Total Travel			\$4,443	\$0	\$4,443	

**Equipment**

Equipment			\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Equipment			\$0	\$0	\$0	

**Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses (DOE)**

Bonds			\$110	\$0	\$110	
Casualty Insurance			\$12,104	\$0	\$12,104	
Dues/Subscriptions			\$12,200	\$0	\$12,200	
Equipment Maintenance			\$2,300	\$0	\$2,300	
Field Supplies			\$2,712	\$0	\$2,712	
Fuel			\$18,000	\$0	\$18,000	
Office/Computer Supplies			\$3,850	\$0	\$3,850	
Postage			\$350	\$0	\$350	
Prevention Supplies			\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500	
Printing			\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500	
Radio Maintenance			\$7,500	\$0	\$7,500	
Rent			\$49,000	\$0	\$49,000	
Telephone Basic			\$3,700	\$0	\$3,700	
Telephone Cellular			\$8,800	\$0	\$8,800	
Tuition/Training			\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000	
Vehicle Maintenance			\$9,291	\$1,000	\$10,291	
Wrecker Service			\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000	
Total Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses (DOE)			\$141,917	\$1,000	\$142,917	

**Budget Narrative****A. Personnel**

### Budget Narrative

**Commander:** Position commands the Task Force oversees all Task Force operations and reports directly to the Tarrant County Sheriff and the Board of Governors on all matters. The position is responsible for sponsoring project directional change as needed. The position is also responsible for all grant correspondence, accounting, analysis, reporting and monitors training and seized property. The position attends the Board of Governors and MVCPA meetings and maintains communication with area law enforcement executives. **Administrative Assistant:** This position functions as program manager and crime prevention manager. Responsibilities include: oversee and monitor daily office operations, prepare and process budget transactions, prepare grant budgets, adjustments and projections, coordinate with the county grant auditor, attend the Board of Governors and MVCPA meetings, and prepare and submit grant documentation. Additionally this position serves as Prevention Coordinator and is directly responsible for prevention goals and activities and supervises the support/prevention team of volunteers and reserves. **General Office Clerk:** This position performs clerical duties for the administrative staff and investigators. Duties include: maintain officer case files, coordinate processing of JP Court settings, assist with grant equipment inventory, prepare training materials, perform computer administration and coordinate tracking of seized property with property technician. Additionally this position serves as office receptionist and prepares and tracks unit's requisitions and processes mail delivery to and from other county departments. **Tarrant County Deputy:** This position is a full time investigator and is responsible for investigating reports of pertinent criminal violations initiated by the Task Force from confidential informants or law enforcement information and assists. Duties include preparation and execution of search warrants, recovering stolen property and returning to owner, arresting criminals responsible for the offenses and preparing the cases for prosecution. The position is on call 24/7 to assist officers in the service area. **Tarrant County Prosecutor:** This position is a full time prosecutor dedicated to the indictment and prosecution of auto-crime offenders. The prosecutor will be responsible for legal counsel to investigators and agencies within the program area regarding law interpretation, warrant review, case guidance, conflict resolution and prosecutorial presentation. The prosecutor would serve as a liaison between LE and the district attorney's office to resolve issues, strengthen case preparation and mitigate obstacles preventing the successful prosecution of auto-crime offenders. Assistance will be available to other District Attorney Offices across the state needing guidance on complex auto crimes cases. The prosecutor is a necessary and reasonable addition to TRACTF personnel due to the evolving nature and complexities of auto crimes, particularly regarding organized criminal rings and fraud-related offenses. The cash match portion of this position will come from program income.

#### B. Fringe

Tarrant County pays certain fringe benefits through payroll to all County employees. These fringe benefits include FICA (Social Security and Medicare), Retirement, Health Insurance Premium, Worker's Comp, and in some cases uniform allowance. The fringe benefits are based either on percentages set by the Commissioner's Court and Federal Government or they are a flat rate each month based on the projected actual costs. The fringe benefits paid to ATTF grant employees at Tarrant County are as follows: FICA (Social Security and Medicare) - FICA is 7.65% of an employee's salary every pay period. This percentage is set by the Federal Government. Retirement - The Commissioner's Court sets the retirement rate each year. Full time employees contribute a mandatory 7% of their earnings each pay period and participate in the Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS). The County's contribution exceeds the employee's contribution at a current employer rate of 19.5%. Health Insurance Premium - The health premium is a flat amount per employee every month. The County pays \$1,064 per employee per month, regardless of what health plan an individual has chosen. The \$1,064 monthly premium was determined by the budget office and approved by the Commissioner's Court at a projection of what the actual, average monthly cost would be for Health Insurance. Worker's Compensation - The percentage is different for different classes of employees. The County Budget office determines each job's risk classification (for example Law Enforcement is at a higher risk than Auditor's Office employees). ATTF worker's comp is either 2.75% or 0.15% of employee salary each pay period, depending on position. Uniform Allowance - The County will sometimes pay an allowance to employees required to have County issued uniforms. The budget office approves who receives the allowance, and for FY23 employees eligible receive \$32 per month to help cover the costs of maintenance and cleaning of uniforms. TRACTF has two employees receiving this allowance.

#### C. Overtime

The overtime budget is used for enforcement duties generated by on-call requests after hours and on weekends. It is also used for special enforcement details planned to target an immediate emerging crime trend. A combination of flex time, compensatory time and overtime is used for special details. Also, many of our public awareness events are on weekends or after hours. Our administrative / support staff and investigative officers are required to staff these events in addition to their regular work week hours. Overtime is necessary if they are unable to flex or accept compensatory time for the additional hours in their work week. Administrative overtime is added for non-scheduled emergency assigned duties.

#### D. Professional and Contract Services

**Hurst PD Sergeant:** This is the Enforcement Team Leader responsible for administering guidance, direction and supervision to the enforcement officers. Duties include: monitor officers' regular and overtime schedules, serve as Training Coordinator and supervise the special equipment inventory. **Arlington PD Detective, FWPB PD Detective:** These officers are responsible for investigating reports of pertinent criminal violations initiated by the Task Force from confidential informants or law enforcement information and assists. Duties include preparation and execution of search warrants, arresting criminals responsible for the offenses and preparing the cases for prosecution. The position is on call 24/7 to assist officers in the service area. Additionally used to deploy and maintain the C.O.B.R.A. bait car equipment as the technical experts on building and maintaining the equipment. **Eules PD Detective, Haltom City PD Detective, Hurst PD Detective, and Parker County SO Deputy:** These positions are responsible for investigating reports of pertinent criminal violations initiated by the Task Force from confidential informants or law enforcement information and assists. Duties include preparation and execution of search warrants, recovering stolen property, arresting criminals responsible for the offenses and preparing the cases for prosecution. Operating the C.O.B.R.A bait program including staging vehicles, monitoring and responding to alarms of bait activations. These positions are on call 24/7 to assist officers in the service area. **NICB Agent:** This position is a full time investigator who is responsible for investigating reports of pertinent criminal violations initiated by the NICB or the Task Force. Duties include coordination with insurance companies for tracking and return of recovered vehicles and assistance on filing criminal cases related to the offenses. The position also coordinates with bait programs throughout the state providing technical assistance. The position is on call 24/7. Salary and Fringe are in lieu of cash match. **NICB Investigative Specialist:** This is a full time civilian analyst who assists with insurance fraud investigations, identifying suspects and vehicles, provides information on crime trends, and assists with investigative research. Salary and Fringe are in lieu of cash match. Each agency is asked for a salary and benefits estimate at the beginning of the process projecting the coming year salary and fringe cost. 80% of the estimate is charged to MVCPA and 20% is reserved for cash match. Overtime is billed and reimbursed at 100% in this category. Overtime is capped at 5% of total salary cost.

**Budget Narrative****E. Travel**

Administrative Travel: (MVCPA Board Meetings) - Budgeted for two persons to attend four (4) board meetings in Austin one night lodging and per diem. TAVTI Convention - Budgeted for per diem and hotel in Corpus Christi for four (2) Detectives for four (4) nights. Emergency Investigative Travel - Budgeted for investigative travel for enforcement cases that require investigator to travel outside of Tarrant County to conduct an investigation or assist another task force.

**G. Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses (DOE)**

Bonds - Errors and Omissions bond is requested for the General Office Clerk position to assist with the unit's notarization of legal documents. The annual cost is approximately \$110. Casualty Insurance - This cost is determined from the Tarrant County bid process and covers all Task Force vehicles and equipment. Tarrant County Vehicle Policy requires all expenses related to grant purchased vehicles must be paid by the grant including insurance cost. Based on the vehicle's depreciated value is whether the vehicle has full or liability coverage. Annual premium cost under the previous bid was \$10,212. Casualty Insurance is also included in this figure annually to cover internal contents of rental property. Annual premium cost under previous bid was \$1,392. Possible increase is expected under next bid. Additional funds of \$500 cover claims deductible. Dues/Subscriptions - This line item covers existing, recurring annual subscription fees. The recurring subscription fees include (1) databases that provide officers investigative tools to locate persons, track property and research asset (\$1,600); (2) an online geo-mapping platform used in tracker and bait operations (\$7,800; 13 devices) and (3) annual dues, membership, entry and registration fees covering participation in associations and/or prevention events (\$2,800). Equipment Maintenance - The cost for maintenance to the Record Management System (RMS) is \$1,960.00 annually. Mobile Computer Terminals (MCT) connection and authentication cost varies. This equipment is necessary for continued enforcement operations. Vendors and costs are determined by the Tarrant County Purchasing Department Bid Process. Copier Maintenance cost varies at \$200 annually including costs per copy. Equipment maintenance is requested for repair to purchased and seized equipment used by the Task Force. Annual cost varies dependent upon need or type of repair. Field Supplies - Field supplies cover items needed by the officers such as equipment batteries, tie downs, power cords, grease markers, engine cleaner, degreaser, rags, brushes and mirrors to identify vehicles through confidential VINs. COBRA bait program supplies are included in this category. These costs include extended-life marine batteries, wiring, cameras, and replacement parts. Annual costs vary. Fuel - Fuel is necessary for unit operations and is used for vehicles assigned to the enforcement and prevention teams. These vehicles are also used for business travel. The cost is based on current and prior year expenses. The Task Force supervisors monitor fuel use closely and measures are taken to hold the cost to a minimum. All supplies and materials are purchased through a vendor determined by the Tarrant County Purchasing Department. Office/Computer Supplies - These expenses are necessary for efficient operations. Office supplies include standard items such as paper, files, markers, calendars, laminating materials, etc. Computer supplies include printer toner, USB drives, replacement cables, etc. The cost is based on current and anticipated expenses. Annual Cost \$3,850. Postage - Postage is necessary for the unit's administrative, legal and public awareness mailings. Costs are determined based on current and prior usage. Annual Cost \$350. Prevention Supplies - This request is for promotional items, attendee handouts and outdoor signage at prevention events to convey public awareness. Additional Purchases include auto VIN-etch supplies, printer paper, spray, acid cream. The vendors and costs are determined by the Tarrant County Purchasing Department. Annual Cost \$2500.00. Printing - Costs associated with printing materials include business cards, tow cards, forms and documents using Tarrant County's in-house graphics department. Annual Cost \$500. Radio Maintenance - This cost is for the infrastructure, as well as routine maintenance for the seventeen (17) radios used by the Task Force full time officers. The cost is established by contract between Tarrant County and the City of Fort Worth. Annual Cost \$7,350. Rent - Rent cost is set by the Board of Trustee's for the Resource Connection, an advisory group that governs the property. The total annual rent cost for 3,548 square feet is \$47,011. at \$13.25 per square foot which is well below comps for this area. This includes rent cost \$26,255., utilities cost \$12,950., common area cost \$1,951., janitorial cost \$5,499. and trash cost \$355. Comps for this area for similar space is \$15.18 per sq/ft. Monthly Rental Cost \$3,741. Telephone - Basic/LD- Basic telephone and long-distance costs have changed due to the installation of a new office phone system and used for business communication. Annual Cost \$3,700. Telephone Cellular/Data Access - The recurring cost for cell phones and online data is based on an average of \$339 monthly for cell phones assigned to personnel. They are required for communication in the field and outside the office. One phone is dedicated as an "on-call" and rotates between officers. Cost and provider are determined by the Tarrant County Purchasing Department bid process. Cellular data used by the investigators mobile computer terminals (MCT) included in this cost. Annual Cost \$8,800 Tuition/Training - Tuition is requested for training registrations for the Texas Auto Vehicle Theft Investigators Association (TAVTI) annual training conference in October for five (5) officers at \$200 each. Other tuition costs (\$800) include training and development classes for investigative and professional personnel. Annual Cost \$1,800. Vehicle Maintenance and Repairs - These costs are based on current and anticipated expenses for repairs determined by previous year's costs to Task Force vehicles. Includes both mechanical repairs and routine maintenance. Wrecker Service - This service is necessary to transport vehicles and assets to the counties impound yard, maintenance garage, auction and recycling locations. Costs and vendors are determined by the Tarrant County Purchasing bid process. A new county bid for a towing vendor will occur during the new grant cycle. This may effect a change in administrative and reimbursement fees. The majority of tow fees are reimbursed by victims, owners and insurance companies. Annual Cost Varies \$5,000.

**Revenue**

Indicate Source of Cash and In-Kind Matches for the proposed program. Click on links to go to match detail pages for entry of data.

**Source of Cash Match**

Tarrant County	Grantee	\$83,781
City of Arlington	Subgrantee	\$24,835
City of Fort Worth	Subgrantee	\$32,083
City of Euless	Subgrantee	\$24,413
City of Haltom City	Subgrantee	\$25,887
City of Hurst	Subgrantee	\$51,535
Parker County	Subgrantee	\$23,470
<b>Total Cash Match</b>		<b>\$544,667</b>

**Source of Cash Match**

National Insurance Crime Bureau "in lieu of"	NICB	\$191,035
Supplies and Direct Operating	Program Income	\$1,000
Tarrant County Budgeted Overtime Remaining	Program Income	\$8,428
P&C Budgeted Overtime Remaining	Program Income	\$32,680
Tarrant County Prosecutor Fringe All	Program Income	\$45,520
<b>Total Cash Match</b>		<b>\$544,667</b>

**Statistics to Support Grant Problem Statement**

Reported Cases	2020			2021		
Jurisdiction	Motor Vehicle Theft (MVT)	Burglary from Motor Vehicle (BMV)	Fraud-Related Motor Vehicle Crime (FRMVC)	Motor Vehicle Theft (MVT)	Burglary from Motor Vehicle (BMV)	Fraud-Related Motor Vehicle Crime (FRMVC)
Tarrant County (all LE jurisdictions excluding Mansfield & Kennedale)	6,367	14,288	56	6,686	14,705	0
Parker County (all LE jurisdictions)	132	320	1	180	334	0
Hood County (all LE jurisdictions)	79	123	0	53	97	0
Jack County (all LE jurisdictions)	9	9	0	7	5	0
Palo Pinto County (all LE jurisdictions)	64	35	0	58	42	0
Somervell County (all LE jurisdictions)	0	4	0	0	1	0
Wise County (all LE jurisdictions)	66	112	0	28	36	0

**Application Narrative****Grant Introduction (Executive Summary) and General Information**

- 1.1 Briefly describe the organization and program operation. Provide a high level summary to the application and how it will affect the local community. (500 words or less)

*The Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force's (TRACTF) program area covers seven counties serving an estimated 2.3 million Texas residents and 53 law enforcement agencies. The unit also serves five additional non-program counties (188,000 residents) for VIN inspections required by the TXDMV. The TRACTF is comprised of sworn and civilian investigators, an investigative assistant and administrative professional staff from various law enforcement agencies as well as the NICB and the TXDMV. TRACTF personnel conduct investigative, enforcement and prevention efforts including investigations, surveillance, field response, vehicle/business inspections, case-filing, covert and bait car operations, intelligence gathering/sharing, vehicle recoveries, training, community education and prevention outreach. The TRACTF seeks to add a dedicated prosecutor, available to the program area, to help counsel, guide and strengthen criminal cases. This position is necessary to assist in navigating the complexities of emerging fraud offenses and would serve as a liaison between agencies and the DA's office to help increase the prosecution rate and strength of sentences, especially pertaining to prolific auto-crime defendants.*

*The TRACTF's operational foundation consists of five pillars: (1) leveraging resources, (2) providing subject-matter expertise, (3) coordinating multi-jurisdiction efforts, (4) capitalizing on technology and (5) employing innovative approaches to address auto-related crimes. The TRACTF serves as a force-multiplier for area agencies providing manpower, knowledge and resources to support their investigative and prevention needs. Through its partnership with the TXDMV and NICB, the TRACTF provides administrative and technical resources not commonly known, used or leveraged by area agencies.*

*TRACTF operations concentrate on identifying and investigating organized criminal rings and prolific offenders routinely involving multiple suspects, vehicles and jurisdictions. The TRACTF often collaborates with local, state and federal partners, including MVCPA-funded taskforces across the state, in enforcement strategies and large-scale investigations with wide-reaching implications. The TRACTF spearheads auto-crime intelligence efforts, managing a regional intelligence group and disseminating information that enables investigators to connect offenses and offenders across North Texas. The TRACTF also partners with the MVCPA to provide quality, advanced auto crime training to new investigators across the State of Texas.*

*Our cooperative prevention efforts with local agencies build upon long-established relationships to serve the greatest number of citizens and businesses. The MVCPA's prevention campaigns serve as the foundation of our prevention efforts and as the primary mission and message conveyed to citizens through media outreach and community education programs. The goal is to educate the public, solicit their assistance and foster positive partnerships to help prevent offenses and mitigate community victimization.*

*MVCPA funds provide necessary resources to equip TRACTF personnel to positively affect community stakeholders on multiple fronts while targeting both historic (vehicle theft and burglary) and emerging (catalytic converter thefts, dealership fraud, etc.) trends. Agencies would benefit from investigative support, pooled technical resources and subject-matter expertise. Texas consumers would benefit from prevention efforts, positive police partnerships, public education, crime trend awareness and access to qualified investigators for vehicle inspections. In concert, these efforts and benefits would contribute to a global approach in identifying, preventing, enforcing and solving auto-related crime trends across North Texas.*

- 1.2 Describe the taskforce governing, organization and command structures. Include a description of the nature of support and agreements that will be in place if the grant is awarded. Provide any details unique to the taskforce organization or geographical target area. Describe whether any part of this grant will be directed to serve a specific target population (or subset of the community)?
- The TRACTF, which operates beneath the umbrella of the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office (TCSO), is governed by a 10-member board of governors ("Board") consisting of law enforcement leaders with the TCSO Sheriff serving as the Board chair. Board members include: Chiefs of Police from Arlington, Euless, Fort Worth, Haltom City and Hurst; the Parker County Sheriff; the NICB Southwest Regional Director; the Tarrant County District Attorney and the Texas Department of Public Safety's (TXDPS) Regional CID Captain. The TCSO Criminal Investigations Division Chief Deputy serves as the Project Director. The Commander of the TRACTF reports to the Board and oversees all task force operations. An Arlington PD sergeant serves as the enforcement team leader (supervisor) for the criminal investigators. An administrative aide from Tarrant County serves as the Program Manager and Prevention Coordinator. The Tarrant County Auditor is the Financial Officer and the Tarrant County Judge is the Authorized Official for the grant.*

*Tarrant County maintains interlocal agreements (ILAs) with all participating law enforcement agencies. The TRACTF also has cooperative working agreements with TXDMV for three positions to be comingled with the investigators. The NICB provides an investigative assistant and investigator to the TRACTF. These individuals provide technical support to both the TRACTF and the various LE agencies in the program area. The addition of one criminal investigator would help supplement the current investigative team improving the taskforce's ability to provide efficient service to one of the largest program areas in the state. The addition of a dedicated prosecutor from the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office (TCDA) would provide consistency in case-filing, help to increase conviction rates and provide much-needed legal counsel to address the increasingly technical and complex nature of auto crimes. Adding legal counsel to the list of major program benefits (investigations, intelligence and prevention) would greatly enhance the taskforce's usefulness to area agencies and help elevate the importance of the MVCPA's purpose.*

*If awarded, this will mark the TRACTF's 29th year of funding through the MVCPA program. Over the course of time, the TRACTF has built strong relationships with LE agencies and a vast network of auto-crime investigators in the program area and across the state. The collaboration, cooperation and technical expertise of TRACTF personnel is sought by numerous agencies. Statewide LE agencies have attended specialized instruction developed by this group. The TRACTF provides support and investigative assistance to numerous other state and federal agencies including the Texas Department of Insurance, Texas Department of License and Regulation, TXDMV, DEA, FBI, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and other MVCPA task forces. The level of inter-agency support and dependence has developed over years of inter-agency cooperation, face-to-face investigator contact, statewide instruction and the TRACTF's willingness go above and beyond to assist agencies and consumers, whether covered by the program area or not, in furtherance of the MVCPA's mission.*

### **Grant Problem Statement**

- 2.1 Provide an assessment of the burglary from a motor vehicle (including theft of parts) problem in the coverage area of this application. Include loss data consistent with the reported incident numbers above.
- The seven-county program area serviced by the TRACTF experienced a 4% increase in vehicle burglaries, reporting 14,331 offenses in 2019 compared to 14,894 in 2020. Based on the most complete and available data, total loss values for vehicle burglary, including the theft of parts, in the program area increased approximately 15% over the same time period (\$12.3M vs. \$14.2M in 2020). A typical driver of annual property crime rates due to the nature of opportunity, the Covid-19 pandemic created a specific change in BMV dynamics. Many businesses, hotels, retail centers and entertainment venues, most commonly targeted by vehicle burglary suspects, were closed creating a major shift in the location of these opportunities. Vehicle burglary offenses became more concentrated in residential areas where vehicles remained parked for days and weeks on end, sometimes causing a delay in detection and reporting. With the shift in the locations of opportunity also came a shift in victims' psyche, causing people to feel more vulnerable and violated knowing that suspects were committing offenses at their homes rather than in public places. The impact was seen on social media sites where residents posted videos and comments on being victimized in their neighborhoods.*

*Thefts of vehicle parts have always been a challenge for law enforcement as related theft trends tend to ebb and flow based on supply and demand. The rate of catalytic (CAT) converter thefts, however, skyrocketed in 2020, both locally and across the nation, when the value of the metals used in CAT production reached a record high. The soaring, sustained value in metals combined with the ease of commission, low rate of detection and the low grade of offense created the perfect storm for opportunity and revenue for criminals. Crime statistics reported by the major municipalities in our program area reported increases in CAT thefts as high as 158%. The average cost to replace a CAT is between \$945 and \$2,495. In a six-month period, Arlington and Fort Worth residents alone suffered 1,105 CAT thefts with the total estimated replacement/repair costs ranging between \$1,044,225 and \$2,756,975. Offenses have historically concentrated on businesses and locations with large fleets of trucks, vans and buses. Car dealerships suffered substantial losses including, for example, one that reported 47 CATs cut off new vehicles with an estimated amount of loss of \$96,000. One appliance repair small business owner lost the use of his entire fleet of vehicles in one night creating a devastating financial loss. What once began as an offense targeting larger fleets of vehicles has transitioned to single vehicle crimes of opportunity from private driveways, parking lots, apartment complexes, etc. because the amount of profit outweighs the level of risk.*



*Due to the elevated, sustained cost of precious metals, vehicle burglaries and CAT thefts in particular will continue to drive property rates in an upward trend for the foreseeable future, and will most likely cause the most financial hardship on Texas consumers. Local agencies will continue to rely on the TRACTF to assist in developing enforcement and prevention and prosecutorial strategies to help curb the vehicle burglary and vehicle part theft rates as well as target prolific offenders and organized groups.*

2.2 Provide an assessment of the motor vehicle theft problem in the coverage area of this application. Include loss data consistent with the reported incident numbers above.

*The motor vehicle theft rate has been on a steady incline each year since 2016, averaging 8-10%. In 2020, the TRACTF's program area reported approximately 6,717 stolen vehicles, an 8% increase from the previous year. Based on the most complete and available data, total loss values for the program area increased approximately 18% over the same time period (\$69.3M vs. \$81.6M in 2020). The most critical factor affecting the motor vehicle theft rate in North Texas over these past few years is the evolution of vehicle technologies and the methods in which criminals are developing to either defeat or bypass them. According to the most recent available statistics, the average value of stolen vehicles has increased (52% in 2019) and top ten stolen lists, once dominated by older model cars, are now including newer model vehicles with push-start and smart key technologies. This demonstrates that newer model vehicles are in higher demand because the profits are more lucrative, requiring criminals to replace the screwdrivers of old with computer hardware/software of new with the capability of reprogramming keys or bypassing electronic security measures.*

*One prevalent crime trend, specific to Texas according to General Motors (GM), is the theft of 2016-2020 GM trucks and SUVs. Criminals have developed a way to bypass a vehicle's ignition system by switching out the engine control module (ECM) and driving off within minutes of locating a target vehicle. The TRACTF identified, pursued and arrested several members of a large-scale criminal ring involving ECM thefts in 2018 temporarily slowing the number of offenses in the program area. The trend reemerged over the past year, however, and evidence suggest that the knowledge has become more common among criminals as several new criminal rings have emerged. Though the TRACTF works directly with the GM Security Team in Detroit in an attempt to reverse-engineer the problem and help develop useful solutions, it is clear that this trend will continue to increase in the coming year until a permanent solution can be developed by the manufacturer.*

*For those who lack the equipment or the know-how to reprogram keys or bypass vehicle ignition technologies, other methods are being used to steal newer model vehicles by either obtaining keys from owners/dealers through the use of fraud or deception, or by using tow trucks to simply lift and remove vehicles from the scene. The TRACTF's program area has seen an increase in thefts from dealerships through fraudulent online sales using stolen identities or by committing deception thefts when criminals work in groups to distract sales people and switch key fobs only to return after hours and drive vehicles off the lots. The TRACTF has also seen a dramatic increase in reported vehicle thefts involving tow trucks where criminals use "snatch and grab" trucks to simply pull up to a target vehicle, hook onto them and drive away.*

*Though opportunistic auto thieves and those who rely on less sophisticated means of theft will remain and demand the TRACTF's attention, a consistent increase in the number of organized criminal rings and specialized auto thieves will require an equally organized counter-attack. MVCPA funding will help strengthen the alliance between specialized auto-crime investigators and a dedicated prosecutor helping to mitigate the negative impact imposed by these criminal gangs on our communities.*

2.3 Provide an assessment of the fraud-related motor vehicle crime problem in the coverage area of this application. Include loss data consistent with the reported incident numbers above.

*According to Experian, the auto finance industry charges off over \$300 million/year due to identity and synthetic identity theft. This figure does not include vehicles purchased with fraudulent checks, vehicles that finance companies charge back to the dealer and dealerships who self-finance. The TXDMV reported receiving 57 motor vehicle fraud-related complaints in the TRACTF's program area in 2020, three more complaints received than the previous year. Though it is difficult to accurately capture the amount of loss suffered by Texas consumers and the total number of offenses reported by agencies in our program area touched by fraud, the TRACTF's steady increase in the number of adopted cases, agency assists and dealership contacts suggests that these crimes are on a significant rise in North Texas. Covid-19 restrictions required dealerships to focus and rely on online, contactless sales, leaving them particularly vulnerable to fraudulent purchases involving stolen or created identities. Fraud comes in various forms, including dishonest dealers who roll back miles, criminal rings changing vehicle identities (VIN-flips), offenders washing/creating fictitious documents and criminals stealing/creating victims' identities to name a few. No matter the type of fraud involved, however, all forms inflict serious financial harm on businesses, consumers and the state.*

*Fraud remains the most common means of stealing newer vehicles in which criminals have to either physically obtain the keys (deception thefts) or trick the owners/dealers out of them (fraud). Fraud schemes using identity or synthetic identity theft tend to be sophisticated in nature and often involve teams of criminals. The sophistication of the offenses as well as their frequency tend to lead investigators to lean on or rely on MVCPA task forces to handle or assist, causing an increase in workload involving cases that may stretch months and involved multiple victims. This is perhaps where the most benefit from a dedicated prosecutor and a closer working relationship with the district attorney's office would be felt; in the taskforce's ability to help navigate the complex nature of fraud investigations, apply the most appropriate legal statutes/charges and ensure these offenders are prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.*

*Auto-crime fraud suspects tend to target high-end, luxury vehicles. One particular criminal organization based in the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex targets Dodge Charger and Challenger Hellcats/Scat Packs, purchases them online from dealerships across the state with stolen identities and has them delivered to DFW. The TRACTF worked in cooperation with the NE ATTF (Paris) to conduct a covert, controlled delivery of one of these stolen vehicles and made an arrest. The interrogation revealed a sophisticated operation where suspects work independently of each other to prevent multiple arrests. Dealerships victimized by this group (and others) ranged across the state from Paris, to Temple, to Mesquite, to Fort Stockton to name a few. The locations of the victims of the stolen identities used in the commission of the offenses were just as varied. Most recently the TRACTF, with assistance from the TXDPS*

*Fusion Center, identified a suspect believed to be connected with the same organized criminal ring through facial recognition software who committed his offense in Tyler and shared the information with the East Texas ATTF (Smith County).*

*Though fraudulent online sales frauds have encumbered most of the TRACTF's investigative time and resources in recent months, insurance, odometer and title fraud cases have also seen a spike over the last year. Fraud is also commonly involved in private sales with Texas consumers through social media sites where stolen vehicles are being presented to innocent third-party purchases as legitimate car buying opportunities, only to later discover they purchased a stolen vehicle and may possess fraudulent documents used in the sale. Though we do not underestimate or underappreciate the effect of fraud on large businesses and insurance companies, individual consumers tend to suffer a more traumatic and devastating loss because their credit may take years to rebuild or they may have drained their life savings in the purchase of a stolen vehicle, typically losing both the money and the vehicle in the end.*

- 2.4 Provide an assessment of motor vehicle crime not covered above like insurance fraud, preventing stolen vehicles from entering Mexico, bridge/port stolen vehicle export crime, disruption of cartels and organized criminal enterprises related to motor vehicle crime, etc...

*Heavy equipment thefts continue to plague this area due to the size and amount of construction projects in the North Texas area. Equipment thefts continue to reflect historic and national trends of high theft frequency and low recovery rates. Specifically, in the TRACTF program area, the natural gas industry (Barnett Shale) the previously established oil industry seem to be reporting more thefts of trucks, trailers and CATs, including the CATs used on actual gas compression pumps. In the past two years, the TRACTF recovered 28 pieces of heavy equipment valued at an estimated \$1.6 million. There is evidence however, primarily through intelligence gathering and information from informants, that a large quantity of stolen equipment from North Texas is still making it across the border into Mexico, so the entirety of the heavy equipment theft situation and effect is unknown.*

*According to NICB, the DFW area is one of the geographic areas experiencing the highest rate of cargo thefts in the United States. Included in our program area is Alliance Airport, the first freight-only airport built in the US. Amazon, which operates one of its largest distribution centers in the country, runs its largest air freight operation from this airport. The region serves as an inland "port" with goods being shipped directly from the port of Houston without customs inspections until they arrive locally. North Texas also serves as the headquarters for many major companies including LG, Samsung, Nokia, BSN Railway and numerous clothing retailers which directly affect trade and commerce specifically moving cargo which provides opportunity for criminals. Fort Worth is the major hub for several rail switch yards, which manages trains that deliver goods to all areas of the country, often containing rail cars pack with cargo (popular building supplies for the construction industry for example) that provide ample opportunities for those who look to profit from cargo theft.*

*Stolen vehicle parts remain a large and constant problem that assist in driving auto theft rates and typically have ties to organized criminal rings, including cartels. Stolen vehicles that are not taken for personal use or to change the identity for sale to innocent third parties are typically taken to be dismantled into parts to be sold and distributed. Additionally, auto parts are often located in , sold by, or are removed off of cars at repair shops, salvage yards and auto dealerships, businesses that require both time and effort from TRACTF investigators who need to conduct inspections and investigations into those involved in criminal matters.*

*The production of fictitious Texas eTags (temporary paper license plates) is another common issue both reported by agencies and consumers within the TRACTF's program area. Social media sites contain many advertisements for people who illegally provide fictitious and/or legitimate Texas eTags for people who wish to avoid paying taxes and toll bills, avoid the need for inspections, conceal the true vehicle identity from surveillance cameras and witnesses, etc. Having an NICB agent and several investigators assigned from the TXDMV helps tremendously in investigating these offenses involving heavy equipment, dealers/repair shops/salvage yards and fictitious eTags.*

### Grant Goals and Activities

There are two parts to this section: 1) Functions of Proposed Program and 2) Goals Strategies and Activities (GSA). In the following boxes, describe the functions of the proposed program and then complete a fillable form called GSA.

MVCPA programs must completely describe the actions, methods and tactics that law enforcement and civilian staff will perform for each of the categories below. Describe the reliance on technology or other program elements to solve the problem statement above and goals below. Functions must be detailed and consistent with the requested budget. If a grant is awarded, funds expended towards activities not described in this section will result in the reimbursement being denied.

#### Part 1

- 3.1 Functions of the proposed program related to burglary from a motor vehicle (including theft of parts)

*The TRACTF will continue to approach the vehicle burglary problem in the program area in the same manner in which the vehicle theft problem is approached in regard to intelligence sharing, proactive enforcement and investigative assistance. The bait vehicle program is one of the most beneficial and proactive ways to help combat vehicle burglary. By studying "hot spot" areas, communicating with crime analysts and investigators at various agencies and researching historical trends, vehicles can be placed in areas where they may experience the most beneficial effect. Often the suspects who are arrested in bait vehicle operations are found to be prolific offenders with extensive auto crime histories. TRACTF investigators will also continue to (1) adopt cases involving prolific offenders and offenses that are tied to multiple jurisdictions; (2) conduct surveillance operations as needed; (3) monitor businesses commonly associated with stolen parts, (4) conduct covert operations involving the sale of suspected stolen parts and property, and (5) use prevention strategies to assist in educating the public on ways to mitigate the effects of vehicle burglary offenses.*

*A major anticipated problem involving vehicle burglary and the thefts of vehicle parts is anticipated to be CAT thefts. The TRACTF will work closely with known metal recyclers in identifying individuals with excessively high rates of CAT sales, including maintaining information on the vehicles used and associated subjects. The TRACTF will work closely with agencies who request assistance to conduct "reversals" (undercover CAT sales) with unlicensed individuals who are soliciting buyers online. Through the use of Texas Online Metals, investigators can monitor prolific CAT thieves and their associates to gauge activity in the area and to better direct agencies and resources in the hopes of disrupting the influx of CAT theft offenses. The TRACTF will also continue to collaborate with the district attorney's office to address the CAT theft problem from various legal angles, a tactic that has already proven operationally beneficial and successful.*

*TRACTF investigators are tasked with serving as a liaison between the task force and each of their respective agencies especially when it comes to identifying prolific vehicle burglary offenders and adopting cases with known suspects. Since vehicle burglaries thrive and theft of parts are mostly fueled by opportunity, the majority of offenses have little pattern, correlation or leads. TRACTF investigators, therefore, concentrate on cases with viable leads and known suspects with the hopes of tying them to several offenses and being able to obtain information on other criminal associates, modus operandi(MO) or suspect locations that will lead to an increase in cases and charges filed. Rather than searching for a needle in a haystack, TRACTF investigators work crime analysis, patterns and known intelligence to produce more effective results.*

### 3.2 Functions of the proposed program related to motor vehicle theft.

*The TRACTF's specialization and expertise is in the area of vehicle theft investigation. The proactive approach as it relates to vehicle theft offenses, similar to vehicle burglary offenses, will involve the use of intelligence, covert operations, multi-jurisdiction cooperation and technology. The TRACTF will continue to locate/recover stolen vehicles, investigate/arrest prolific offenders, file/clear criminal cases, conduct bait operations and inspect and monitor businesses commonly associated with vehicle thefts.*

*The TRACTF will continue to serve as the intelligence hub for area agencies, assisting investigators from around the region in identifying offenders, linking suspect vehicles, and connecting offenses that reach across city/county lines. This information will allow TRACTF investigators to better direct bait car operations, identify prolific offenders who become the subjects of warrant round-up operations and coordinate prosecutorial efforts when offenses and offenders are linked in differing jurisdictions. The two major forms of communicating the intelligence is the distribution of intelligence bulletins and coordinating monthly intelligence meetings for auto crimes investigators across North Texas.*

*TRACTF investigators are often requested by agencies to provide covert operations in the form of undercover meets/buys with potential suspects and surveillance operations since investigators operate in a plain clothes capacity. These operations assist in identifying theft suspects who try to offload stolen vehicles through social media and internet sites under fictitious names. It also contributes to our overall intelligence gathering functions when investigators can monitor locations and offenders, which help direct future investigations.*

*In addition to covert operations, TRACTF investigators are most commonly consulted about criminal investigations, suspect methods and vehicle identification by various agencies who may lack the level of experience and expertise possessed by TRACTF personnel. TRACTF investigators can coordinate multi-jurisdictional investigations that can often get dropped, forgotten or missed in the mix of inexperienced investigators, sophisticated cases, jurisdictional lines and prosecutorial indifference. Adding a dedicated prosecutor and strengthening DA collaborations will solidify the TRACTF's overall effectiveness and help mitigate the aforementioned issues that tend to plague multi-jurisdiction investigations. Whether adopting cases or simply providing direction through consultation and experience, TRACTF investigators will be able to ensure proper charges are pursued, vehicles get correctly identified and cases are placed in the best position possible for successful prosecution.*

*Technology continues to serve as a major investigative resource in fighting auto crime not only for the TRACTF, but for the various agencies it serves. Access and expertise in the use of license plate readers (LPRs) and camera applications and platforms makes the TRACTF a valuable resource in locating and identifying stolen vehicles. This often leads to surveillance operations resulting in the identification of suspects or, at minimum, useful leads that can be investigated. Investigators immediately respond to events to assist with criminal investigations. Based on the number of multi-jurisdictional and organized criminal activity in MVT, the TRACTF has adapted to serve as a coordinator and liaison for connecting large scale investigations in the area. The TRACTF holds strategy meetings with agencies involved to (1) link local cases together, (2) coordinate case filings in multiple jurisdictions, (3) coordinate interviews and (4) ensure that all the evidence is processed and shared among the group.*

### 3.3 Functions of the proposed program related to fraud-related motor vehicle crime (such as title and registration fraud)

*Fraud-related motor vehicle crime is the area that required more investigative time than previously anticipated. The pandemic created increased vulnerabilities to dealerships when most sales transactions were conducted through the internet. Consumers were being contacted by financial institutions seeking payment, only to discover that a person's identity was stolen, no vehicle had been legitimately purchased and their money was gone. Historically, these types of offenses were rarely addressed by local agencies and enforcement fell on the TXDMV and TXDPS. Local prosecutors, many of whom were unfamiliar and inexperienced with these type of frauds, presented plea deals, light sentences or dismissed cases all-together.*

*The TRACTF often receives case referrals or inquiries from area agencies or questions from specific investigators seeking consultation on how to proceed with these investigations. TRACTF investigators, who are becoming more adept at working fraud-related vehicle crimes because of the increased frequency of offenses, will continue to offer investigative resources and expertise to these agencies and investigators. TRACTF investigators will continue to foster positive working relationships with local prosecutors to ensure that proper charges are determined and pursued.*

*The unique partnerships with the NICB and the TXDMV places the TRACTF in a great position to be able to offer more experience, expertise and resources to the agencies the task force serve. Having investigators from NICB and TXDMV assigned to the same*

*office as TRACTF investigators will provide for a more efficient flow of information between agencies as well as simplify the prioritization and collaborative efforts on fraud-related investigations that come either through agency referrals or in-house. Insurance fraud, title fraud and odometer fraud are all examples of the types of offenses that will most likely benefit from these partnerships.*

*The TRACTF will continue to leverage the relationships formed with local businesses, including the North Texas New Car Dealer Association, several large-scale auto auction houses, car rental agencies and insurance companies to name a few, to help detect, mitigate and prevent offenses. The TRACTF will continue to share non-law enforcement sensitive intelligence bulletins, information on current trends and requests to watch out for identified suspects who are traveling among businesses looking to commit fraud. These relationships are reciprocal in the fact that the TRACTF will continue to also receive information and referrals from the businesses involving individual and group offenders.*

*The TRACTF will also continue to provide vehicle identification number (VIN) inspections to 11 counties in the North Texas region to prevent fraudulently titled vehicles from being registered by the state. In GY2019, the TRACTF completed 1,002 of these inspections and on several occasions recovered stolen vehicles and parts from stolen vehicles as well as identified suspects, businesses and new methods of fraud-related activity.*

*The TRACTF will place an emphasis on investigating, arresting and charging individuals who commit various auto-related frauds, including insurance, title, registration, odometer and dealer frauds. The TRACTF will continue to seek assistance from and collaborate with local tax offices, the TXDMV, insurance companies, NICB, dealerships, and the public to accomplish these goals.*

#### 3.4 Functions of the proposed program related to preventing motor vehicle crime (motor vehicle theft, burglary from a motor vehicle and fraud-related motor vehicle crime)

*The TRACTF Prevention Team primarily functions as a well-built support system for all coverage area and participating agencies. Methods to prevent motor vehicle crime, theft, burglary and fraud through prevention will continue to include providing experts in the field for law enforcement training, modern technology, anti-theft devices like vehicle markings, high-level community presence and engaging in public awareness utilizing media and social media platforms.*

*Prevention will continue working closely with enforcement team members to uncover the greatest needs of all participating and program area agencies as it relates to upward trending auto crimes and the best methods to prevent them. Continued funding is requested to enable prevention to research, test new methods and provide the same high levels of support as in previous years.*

*During "July, Watch Your Car Month", the TRACTF will provide greater numbers of visibility by deploying outdoor signage throughout the program area and show a heavy presence by distributing social media graphics and posted prevention messages to all program area and participating agencies, creating the highest level of outreach possible on all their most viewed platforms. Local outlets include but are not limited to neighborhood associations (ie., Nextdoor), neighborhood watch and local churches through outreach programs. Continued funding provides the TRACTF's prevention component the resources necessary to cover the largest possible geographic areas.*

*The TRACTF will continue to keep a heavy presence at "National Night Out" events at every participating agency and as many others in the program area as personnel allows. National Night Out is a critical outlet for public awareness and continued funding provides the ability to order prevention handouts and promotional supplies to distribute at each event. Community and local leaders support TRACTF prevention efforts and request TRACTF presence at community events to assist in the continued reduction of all auto crimes. Community events continue to open doors for new conversations in trending prevention methods as they arise.*

*"Press Releases" are proven, powerful tools to present prevention alerts, scam or fraud alerts as they relate to trending auto crimes, identity fraud and fraudulent dealership purchases of high link vehicles in person and online. Continued funding is requested to publish articles for local distributions, create bulletins for auto dealers, community leaders, neighborhoods and conduct educational presentations to citizens.*

*Continued funding is requested to provide supplies, resources and cover registration costs for parade and trade show participation. The TRACTF will continue participating in local and holiday parades when possible and when weather permits. Parades with long-time partnerships include "St. Patrick's Day", "4th of July", "Veterans Day" and "Christmas". All methods of prevention utilized by the TRACTF, are necessary to reduce all auto crimes and would not be possible without continued funding. The TRACTF will continue to support, forward and promote the public awareness and prevention messages created and distributed by the MVCPA.*

#### 3.5 Functions of the proposed program for other motor vehicle crimes investigations and activities consistent with the statutory requirements (preventing stolen vehicles from entering Mexico, stopping illegal export of stolen vehicle from bridge/ outbound port operations, disruption of cartel or organized criminal enterprises using stolen motor vehicles or fraud related motor vehicle crime, insurance fraud, etc...)

*The TRACTF actively seeks out cases involving organized groups and criminal enterprises that involve multiple suspects, vehicles, victims and jurisdictions. This is done to ensure that investigative time, resource and efforts are concentrating on offenses with the most wide-reaching affect. This emphasis on organized groups requires increased involvement, input and counsel from the DA's office to help ensure the best strategies for prosecution. Though no "ports" or "borders" exist within the TRACTF's program area, investigators continue to search for local connections to those areas where intelligence can be shared with our partner task forces tasked with border and port enforcement. Throughout the years, various investigations have revealed cartel links, informants have provided information on vehicles and/or parts that are headed to or toward Mexico and investigators have relayed the information to the appropriate task force personnel, demonstrating the importance of networking and inter-task force collaborations.*

*Recent TRACTF investigations, some of which have been mentioned elsewhere in this grant application, have involved organized*

*criminal enterprises that reach across the state but may have a contain a nexus in North Texas. The fraudulent online Dodge purchases, for example, specifically targeted jurisdictions around the state (Temple, Tyler, Mesquite, Paris, San Antonio, Fort Stockton, etc.) but had the stolen vehicles delivered to locations in Fort Worth and Arlington. Another case involved the theft of Chevrolet trucks from dealerships in Grapevine that, after tracker orders were secured and placed on the vehicles, were headed to staging points in South Texas before being picked up and transported over the border. The vehicles were used by a cartel and traded for methamphetamine oil. The case is currently being prosecuted federally and has disrupted a narcotics distribution operation. Though the connections are few and far between, the TRACTF always attempts to glean information and intelligence to share with other task forces in an effort to coordinate a response and act in the best interest of the state on behalf of the MVCPA's mission.*

*The TRACTF works on a daily basis with embedded investigators and agents with the TXDMV and NICB to identify, adopt and pursue auto crime fraud cases that are affecting North Texas consumers. One of the most common tips provided by the public are social media postings advertising the sale of Texas eTags in violation of state law. The TRACTF would like to conduct an organized effort into curbing these illegal sales in the coming grant year and identify opportunities to partner with neighboring task forces or interested agencies in working related operations.*

- 3.6 Collaboration Effort -- Describe the taskforce method to collaborate, and not duplicate existing activities. Describe the cross boundaries regional approach to grant activity implementation. Describe how the applicant staff and jurisdiction will coordinate with other taskforces and law enforcement agencies to implement this program.

*Created in 1993 as a multi-jurisdictional task force, the TRACTF has excelled over the years at developing a collaborative relationship between agencies within the program area. Many outside agencies often seek counsel and assistance from the TRACTF because of an equally well-developed and earned professional relationship. The collaboration efforts are most clearly visible in the management of the North Texas Auto Crimes Intelligence Group that meets once per month. This group is able to share knowledge and insight as well as develop a growing network of auto-crime investigators who work tirelessly to assist each other with case preparation and in field operations.*

*The TRACTF possesses access to equipment, resources and databases that many agencies do not have and, as a result, often request investigative assistance. Examples of these functions include: (1) running vehicle scan reports on license plates through LPR databases; (2) adding suspect vehicles and obtaining quality digital suspect vehicle photographs from the Flock system managed by local partners; (3) obtaining title histories, accessing the Vision 21 eTag registration system, and researching licensed dealers through our embedded TXDMV investigators; (4) obtaining insurance company records, providing access to crime analysts and vehicle identification data, mapping cellphone data and contact with major manufacturers through NICB; (6) supplementing manpower with covert operations and plain clothes surveillance; (7) conducting vehicle inspection and identification; (8) case adoption and filing of large-scale multi-jurisdiction investigations; (9) conducting business inspections; and (10) coordinating field response across the state with other MVCPA task forces for our local agencies to name a few.*

*TRACTF investigators serve as liaisons between the task force and their home agency, also establishing relationships with non-participating agencies so they each have a reliable and knowledge point-of-contact. Likewise, investigators have established partnerships with federal agencies and prosecutors to assist when criminal charges are determined to be more appropriately filed in the federal courts. Local prosecutors are also routinely consulted to assist in streamlining cases, determine strategies for successful prosecution and to brainstorm various approaches on case-handling and investigations. The addition of a dedicated prosecutor would ensure this resource and relationship continues. TRACTF investigators also host local trainings for investigators and patrol officers helping create an effective workforce, educate frontline officers on current trends/topics and creates a larger network of contacts helping leverage resources among jurisdictions. The TRACTF will continue to serve local agencies as a force-multiplier providing field response, investigative assistance, analytical support and resources.*

*TRACTF collaborates with community liaisons and crime reduction efforts in the North Texas Region by providing prevention experts, graphic displays and promotional items. TRACTF uses the most innovative technology in the market to provide support for vehicle markings to all program area agencies. These collaborative efforts effectively convey the MVCPA prevention message to the public.*

- 3.7 If the proposed application requests any exceptions or deviation from any general grant rules, RFA conditions or grant administrative policy, please indicate in the section below. Indicate the section of the specific issue and citation that you are asking the MVCPA to consider and the rational for the request.

*At present, the Taskforce requests no exceptions or deviation from any general grant rules, RFA conditions or grant administrative policy.*

## Part II

### Goals, Strategies, and Activities

Select Goals, Strategies, and Activity Targets for the proposed program.

Click on the link above and select the method by which statutory measures will be collected. Law Enforcement programs must also estimate targets for the MVCPA predetermined activities. The MVCPA board has determined that grants programs must document specific activities that are appropriate under each of the three goals. Applicants are allowed to write a limited number of user defined activities.

ID	Activity	Measure	Target
<b>Statutory Motor Vehicle Theft Measures Required for all Grantees.</b>			
1.1.15	Increase the recovery rate of stolen motor vehicles	Report the number of vehicles recovered by taskforce	

ID	Activity	Measure	Target
1.1.16	Increase the clearance rate of MVTs	Report the number of MVT cases cleared	
1.1.17	Increase the number of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft	Report the number of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft by taskforce	
<b>Statutory Burglary of a Motor Vehicle Measures Required for all Grantees</b>			
2.1.12	Increase the clearance rate of motor vehicle burglaries	Report the number of BMV including parts cases cleared	
2.1.13	Increase the number of persons arrested for motor vehicle burglary	Report the number of persons arrested for burglary by taskforce	
<b>Statutory Fraud-Related Motor Vehicle Crime Measures Required for all Grantees</b>			
8.1.1	Increase the clearance rate of fraud-related motor vehicle crime cases.	Report the number of fraud-related motor vehicle cases cleared	
8.1.2	Increase the number of persons arrested for fraud-related motor vehicle crimes.	Report the number of persons arrested for fraud-related motor vehicle crimes	
<b>Measures for Grantees. Add Target values for those that you will measure.</b>			
1	<b>Goal 1: Reduce the Incidence of Motor Vehicle Theft through Enforcement Strategies</b>		
1.1	<b>Strategy 1: Conduct Activities that Result in the Arrest, Clearance, and Recoveries of Motor Vehicle Theft</b>		
1.1.1	Identify groups of auto theft offenders through intelligence gathering, crime analysis and the use of informants	Number of MVT groups identified. Include gangs, cartels or other criminal enterprise with two or more members	
1.1.2	Identify and document/record prolific MVT offenders [Prolific is defined as "linked to MVT offenses three or more times"]	Number identified/documented offenders	20
1.1.5	Conduct inspections of local businesses related to vehicle enterprise (transportation code or occupation code authorized companies such as salvage yard, repair shop, parts recycling center, used car dealership, salvage rebuilder, title service company, other). (see 1.3.3 to report the number of vehicles inspected in these businesses)	Number of businesses inspected	10
1.1.6	Conduct bait vehicle operations that target MVT offenders	Number of bait vehicle deployments. Include BMV bait operations here.	200
1.1.8	Deploy license plate readers (LPR)	Number of times LPR deployed. Deploy: If stationary unit then total number of days or partial days unit was operable and on. Mobile unit number of days the unit was on and operable.	
1.1.9	Respond to taskforce license plate reader (LPR) alert notifications	Number of times investigators responded to taskforce LPR alert notifications regardless of whether vehicle was located	200
1.1.12	Conduct covert operations targeting MVT offenders	Number of covert operations	200
1.1.13	Conduct warrant "round-up" operations targeting motor vehicle crime offenders, including people wanted for MVTs, motor vehicle burglaries, theft of vehicle parts and motor vehicle fraud related crime.	Number of warrant round-up operations performed for MVT, BMV and FRMVC.	10
1.1.20	Number of Altered Vehicles Recovered	Report the total number of vehicles recovered with altered Vehicle Identification Number. Note: Please remember that a vehicle recovered must be reported in 1.1.15	
1.2	<b>Strategy 2: Conduct Collaborative Efforts that Result In Reduction of Incidents of Motor Vehicle Theft</b>		
1.2.1	Provide Agency Assists for MVT and motor vehicle related fraud	Number of agency assists related to MVT. <b>Assist means responding or answering questions via phone, e-mail, or in person. Providing recommendation, guidance, strategy, support or information that other LEOs will use to resolve their cases. The assist generally does not have the direct responsibility for an investigation nor uses LEO authority. The assist helps another LEO or agency investigate cases. Analysts and civilian employees will record their assists to outside LEOs and agencies met here along with officers.</b>	500

ID	Activity	Measure	Target
1.2.2	Collaborate with other units or divisions (i.e. homicide, vice, narcotics, etc.) <b>within the taskforce department(s)</b> where a motor vehicle was used in the commission of the crime (includes identification of vehicles). Include all participating jurisdiction departments here.	Number of times collaborated within departments or SOs participating in taskforce related to MVT. Collaboration means physically using law enforcement resources, tactics and authority to perform activity on cases that draw upon or aid in the investigation intended to further the resolution of any case, identify parties to crime, identify vehicles, interview witnesses/suspects and apprehend suspects. Collaboration will include any help, recommendation, contribution or support requested from or provided to another unit or offered by the taskforce that aids in the furtherance of motor vehicle theft investigations.	50
1.2.3	Collaborate with all other outside LE agencies and other organizations that assist in the reduction of MVTs. Include all coverage jurisdictions here.	Number of times collaborated with coverage area agencies or other law enforcement agencies and organizations that assist in the reduction of MVT. Collaboration means physically using law enforcement resources, tactics and authority to perform activity on cases that draw upon or aid in the investigation intended to further the resolution of any case, identify parties to crime, identify vehicles, interview witnesses/suspects and apprehend suspects. Collaboration will include any help, recommendation, contribution or support requested from or provided to another unit or offered by the taskforce that aids in the furtherance of MVT theft investigations.	150
1.2.5	Conduct intelligence information-sharing (Personal attendance)	Number of intelligence meetings attended ( <b>include attending as presenter, participant or attendee</b> )	40
1.2.6	Conduct intelligence information-sharing (Written information)	Crime analysis bulletins disseminated ( <b>include information distributed to law enforcement agencies via text, e-mail, or intra-net communications</b> )	100
1.2.7	Collaborate with other MVCPA taskforces	Number of times collaborated with other MVCPA taskforces that assist in the reduction in MVT, BMV and FRMVC.	
1.3	<b>Strategy 3: Prevent and Reduce the Incidence of Fraud-Related Motor Vehicle Activities</b>		
1.3.1	Collaborate with agencies relating to investigation and enforcement of vehicle insurance fraud and FRMVC	Number of collaborations	25
1.3.2	Conduct confidential 68(A) inspections (for TxDMV assignment or reassignment of VIN required by Tx Trans. Code §501.032)	Number of vehicles inspected to complete a TxDMV 68A inspection form per TxDMV (VIN assignment, reassignment, bonded title)	750
1.3.3	Conduct VIN verification inspections. (All other reasons except bridge or port)	Number of vehicles inspected by taskforce to identify the vehicles not reported in confidential (68A) or bridge and port sections.	500
1.3.4	Coordinate with TxDMV/Tax Offices relating to investigation and enforcement of fraudulent titles and registration of stolen vehicles	Number of collaborations with TxDMV HQ, TxDMV Regional Service Centers or County Tax Assessor Collector offices.	
2	<b>Goal 2: Reduce the Incidence of Theft from Motor Vehicles through Enforcement Strategies</b>		
2.1	<b>Strategy 1: Conduct Activities that Result in the Arrest, Clearance, and Recoveries of Burglary of Motor Vehicles and Theft of Vehicle Parts and Accessories</b>		
2.1.1	Conduct bait vehicle operations that target vehicle burglary offenders	Number of bait vehicle burglary deployments	400
2.1.2	Identify "prolific BMV offenders" through informants and intelligence [Prolific is defined as "linked to BMV and theft of vehicle parts and accessories offenses three or more times"]	Number of offenders identified	20
2.2	<b>Strategy 2: Conduct Collaborative Efforts that Result in the Reduction of Incidents of Theft From a Motor Vehicle</b>		
2.2.1	Provide Agency Assists BMV.	Number of agency assists related to BMV or stolen parts. <b>Assist means responding or answering questions via phone, e-mail, or in person. Providing recommendation, guidance, strategy, support or information that other LEOs will use to resolve their cases. The assist generally does not have the direct responsibility for an investigation nor uses LEO authority. The assist helps another LEO or agency investigate cases. Analysts and civilian employees will record their assists to outside LEOs and agencies met here along with officers.</b>	25
2.2.2	Collaborate with other units or divisions within the taskforce department(s) (i.e. homicide, vice, narcotics, etc.) where theft of parts occurred in the commission of the crime (includes identification of vehicle). Include all participating jurisdiction departments here.	Number of times collaborated within departments or SOs participating in taskforce related to BMV or stolen parts. Collaboration means physically using law enforcement resources, tactics and authority to perform activity on cases that draw upon or aid in the investigation intended to further the resolution of any case, identify parties to crime, identify vehicles, interview witnesses/suspects and apprehend suspects. Collaboration will include any help, recommendation, contribution or support requested from or provided to another unit or offered by the taskforce that aids in the furtherance of BMV theft investigations.	

ID	Activity	Measure	Target
2.2.3	Collaborate with all other outside LE agencies and other organizations where theft of parts occurred in the commission of the crime (includes identification of vehicle). Include all coverage jurisdictions here.	Number of times collaborated with coverage area agencies or other law enforcement agencies and organizations that assist in the reduction of BMV or stolen parts. Collaboration means physically using law enforcement resources, tactics and authority to perform activity on cases that draw upon or aid in the investigation intended to further the resolution of any case, identify parties to crime, identify vehicles, interview witnesses/suspects and apprehend suspects. Collaboration will include any help, recommendation, contribution or support requested from or provided to another unit or offered by the taskforce that aids in the furtherance of motor vehicle theft investigations.	25
<b>3 Goal 3: Educate/Train Citizens and Qualified Personnel in Detection and Prevention of Motor Vehicle Theft, Burglary of Motor Vehicles and Theft of Vehicle Parts and Accessories</b>			
3.1	<b>Strategy 1: Conduct Public Awareness Related Activities Used to Educate Citizens</b>		
3.1.1	Conduct educational outreach events (include trade show, exhibits, booths at community events, vehicle displays, brochures, etc.)	Number of outreaches	10
3.1.2	Conduct educational presentations to the public	Number of presentations. Presentation means in person, on-line, original written document, article, or webpage.	5
3.1.4	Conduct vehicle identification initiative/event	Number of etching events. Include windows, component parts, VIN stamps and catalytic converters.	2
3.1.4.1	Conduct vehicle identification initiative/event	Number of Participants/Attendees (Vehicles Marked)	
3.1.5	Purchase advertisements in local outlets	Number of advertisements purchased or provided complimentary for taskforce. Include all types of media purchased or provided free (social, tv, utility inserts, billboards, transportation, etc.). Describe in 6.1.1.	
3.1.6	Conduct vehicle report card initiatives.	Number report cards issued	
3.1.7	Utilize social media outlets (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Number of postings in social media outlets	20
3.1.8	Deploy outdoor public notification signage	Number of deployments per month (if sign remains several months, count as 1 deployment per month)	12
3.1.10	Conduct media outreach, including, public service announcements, press releases, and interviews	Number of outreaches	
3.2	<b>Strategy 2: Conduct Law Enforcement Training Activities to Educate Officers on Recognition and Apprehension of Stolen Vehicles and Property</b>		
3.2.1	Conduct law enforcement training (TCOLE)	Number of classes provided for TCOLE credit	10
3.2.3	Conduct vehicle crimes presentations to law enforcement agencies (non TCOLE)	Number of classes or presentations. Presentations may include electronic roll call documents, shift BOLOs and other written or presented materials based on local practices.	

### Grant Evaluation

- 4.1 Describe the local method and/or practice used to collect the data for reporting Goals, Strategies, and Activities and to evaluate the grant program effectiveness. Describe management and staff participation. Include descriptions of systems (forms and software) that will be used to ensure reliable and accurate data is collected and reported. Describe any other evaluation methods used in the applicant agency to determine effectiveness or cost efficiency of the program.

*To monitor the overall effectiveness of the program, the "Crime in Texas" database report measures the impact on auto crimes in the service area. The MVCPA Goals, Strategies and Activities measure the productivity of the unit. The Tarrant County Sheriff's Department Records Management System (RMS) portrays individual investigator effectiveness and prosecution success using evaluation tools within the management system. A redundant system is used to ensure that the data reported on the MVCPA forms are accurate and quarterly audits are performed.*

*The participating agencies provide monthly and weekly crime analysis data for review and operational planning purposes. The TRACTF participates in the COMPSTAT programs in the participating agencies. COMPSTAT is a combination of managerial analysis and operational planning whereby crime patterns are reviewed for the last year, last month and last week. It emphasizes information-sharing, responsibility and accountability, and improves effectiveness. Projections concerning crime trends are prepared for the upcoming weeks for targeted enforcement.*

*Oversight of the program is by the TRACTF's Board of Governors comprised of law enforcement officials from the participating agencies along with NICB and the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office. All performance, financial and audit reports are reviewed and approved by the Board.*

*Other protocols used in the evaluation of the activities include weekly investigator activity sheets as well as monthly and annual grant reports. All TRACTF training is evaluated through student surveys filed and maintained with the Tarrant County Sheriff's Academy or participating training academies and submitted to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE).*



*All financial records are maintained in Tarrant County's SAP System and reviewed at several managerial levels within the county administration. The Tarrant County Budget Office reviews the budget for the program and the asset inventory. Routine yearly audits of the inventory are conducted. The Audit Department reviews all monetary transactions. The Auditor's Office prepares all requests for reimbursement from the MVCPA. Tarrant County is also subject to the Single Audit Act.*

- 4.2 Provide any other suggested measures that would better reflect the law enforcement or prevention work that the proposed program will perform. If the suggested measure fits into one of the stated goals above please indicate.

*Based on the addition of the dedicated prosecutor, the program would add additional measures for the position to include:*

- (1) Number of criminal cases accepted for prosecution*
  - (a) motor vehicle theft*
  - (b) motor vehicle fraud*
  - (c) burglary of motor vehicle and theft from motor vehicle*
- (2) Number of criminal indictment received*
  - (a) motor vehicle theft*
  - (b) motor vehicle fraud*
  - (c) burglary of motor vehicle and theft from motor vehicle*
- (3) Number criminal cases adjudicated*
  - (a) motor vehicle theft*
  - (b) motor vehicle fraud*
  - (c) burglary of motor vehicle and theft from motor vehicle*
- (4) Number of criminal case consults*
- (5) Amount of restitution*

#### **TxGMS Standard Assurances by Local Governments**

- ☐ We acknowledge reviewing the [TxGMS Standard Assurances by Local Governments](#) as promulgated by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and agree to abide by the terms stated therein.

#### **Certifications**

The certifying official is the authorized official, B. Glen Whitley, County Judge.

By submitting this application I certify that I have been designated by my jurisdiction 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.

By submitting this application I certify that my jurisdiction agrees to comply with all terms and conditions if the grant is awarded and accepted. I further certify that my jurisdiction will comply with all applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations in the application, acceptance, administration and operation of this grant.

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