



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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DATE: 02/21/2023

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN TARRANT COUNTY AND THE CITY OF FORT WORTH
RELATED TO THE DISTRIBUTION AND ALLOCATION OF THE
FISCAL YEAR 2022 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE
ASSISTANCE GRANT AWARD**

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

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Tarrant County and the City of Fort Worth regarding the distribution and allocation of the County's portion of the Fiscal Year 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Award.

BACKGROUND

On January 10, 2023, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #140039, approved an MOU between Tarrant County and the City of Fort Worth, and the Cities of Arlington, Haltom City, and North Richland Hills for the division of FY 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds awarded by the Department of Justice (DOJ).

Under the FY 2022 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, the DOJ was awarded a total of \$543,819.00 to be distributed to Tarrant County, the City of Fort Worth and the Cities of Arlington, Haltom City and North Richland Hills. The City of Fort Worth agreed to serve as the fiscal agent for the grant and is responsible for distribution of the funds per the MOU.

Approval of this MOU, allows the fiscal agent to disburse Tarrant County's allocation of \$135,955.00 from the total \$543,819.00 grant award for use to support the Tarrant County Mental Health Law Enforcement Liaison Program operated by MHMR of Tarrant County.

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

FISCAL IMPACT

Tarrant County will receive a total of \$135,955.00 to support the Tarrant County Mental Health Law Enforcement Liaison Program.

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SUBMITTED BY:	Administrator's Office	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	Holly Webb
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