



## TEXAS BREATH ALCOHOL TESTING PROGRAM

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Chief Mike Markle  
Corpus Christi Police Department  
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Dear Chief Markle:

On July 20, 2017, the city of Corpus Christi entered into an interlocal agreement with San Patricio County for the services of a Technical Supervisor for the Corpus Christi Police Department's breath alcohol testing program. (Interlocal Agreement enclosed). The agreement has been executed annually since 2018 without a change in the fee of eighteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$18,500.00) per year.

In 2016 the State-mandated replacement of the Intoxilyzer 5000 with the Intoxilyzer 9000. As of May 2, 2016 the police department's Intoxilyzer 5000 was replaced with the Intoxilyzer 9000 in order to meet the states requirements in instrumentation. In 2021, the police departments intoxilyzer was damaged when a subject vomited into the intoxilyzer causing the intoxilyzer to be damaged beyond repair. A new instrument was provided by the state via a grant, saving the Corpus Christi Police Department from having to purchase a new instrument. An audit of the time and expenses related to my supervision of the Corpus Christi Police Department's program indicates that a more equitable fee be collected to pay for the increase in the workload associated with my management of the city's breath alcohol testing program.

Currently, Corpus Christi PD is responsible for about forty percent of the testing activity in my area. Therefore, the San Patricio County Judge and Commissioners' Court, which oversee the budget for Area 20 of the Texas Breath Alcohol Testing Program, request that the City of Corpus Christi provide a twenty percent share of the budget for the program. The adopted fiscal year 2024 budget for the program is one hundred thirty-seven thousand and ninety-six dollars (\$137,096.00), which makes the city's share of the budget approximately twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000.00).

Should this proposal be acceptable to the City of Corpus, please notify me as soon as possible so that a new interlocal agreement can be drafted and submitted to all parties for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Pat Eldridge, Police Management Service Director