



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting of April 15, 2025

DATE: April 15, 2025
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Acceptance and appropriation of grant funds from the State of Texas – Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education

CAPTION:

Ordinance accepting \$53,897.31 from the State of Texas – Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education for training courses and training-related travel for approximately 50 full-time sworn police officers for the Corpus Christi Police Department; and appropriating \$53,897.31 in the FY 2025 Police Grants Fund.

SUMMARY:

The State of Texas provides an annual allocation for training for law enforcement agencies' sworn and civilian personnel for them to retain their required accreditation hours. The annual allocation also can be used to help fund training equipment that law enforcement agencies need.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Each year, the Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education account issues an annual allocation of funds to law enforcement agencies, per the Texas Occupations Code, Section 1701.157. The amount of funds received depends on the number of sworn personnel that a law enforcement agency has as of January 1 of each year and on the available funding in the Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education account. The funds must be appropriated annually when the funding is received from the Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education account. The funds are to be used by qualified law enforcement agencies for expenses related to the continuing education of full-time law enforcement officers and support personnel as well as training equipment.

The Corpus Christi Police Department (CCPD) will use the funds received from the Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education account for continued educational training and travel-related costs for training of sworn police officers. Police officers are required to have 40 hours of continuing education training on a biannual basis. The training schools include homicide investigation, interrogation techniques, and other police-related subjects.

The City has received this grant since 2002. Last year, CCPD received \$54,134.93 from this grant.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternative is not to accept the funds and, therefore, offer less training to sworn officers until other funding sources are identified. However, this would result in sworn officers becoming delinquent in their continuing education credits, which would affect CCPD's operations and credentials.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for FY 2025 is the acceptance of funds in the amount of \$53,897.31. The \$53,897.31 will be appropriated into the Police Grants Fund.

Funding Detail:

Fund:	1074 Police Grants Fund
Organization/Activity:	826200L
Project # (CIP Only):	N/A
Account:	547012
Amount:	\$53,897.31

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends accepting \$53,897.31 from the State of Texas – Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education for training courses and training-related travel for full-time sworn police officers for the Corpus Christi Police Department; and appropriating \$53,897.31 in the FY 2025 Police Grants Fund, as presented.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Award Letter