



City of Corpus Christi
Child Safety Fee
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- Section 502.403 of Transportation Code authorizes the Nueces County Commissioners Court to add an additional fee of not greater than \$1.50 per vehicle for registering a vehicle in Nueces County in order to fund the school crossing guard program



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- The City Council has passed resolutions requesting Nueces County Commissioners Court to levy an Optional County Fee for Child Safety of \$1.50 per vehicle pursuant to the Transportation Code –
 - July 1997 – request failed Commissioners Court
 - July 1998 – request failed Commissioners Court
 - July 2000 – request passed
 - July 2001 – Voted to stop collecting the fee
 - Additional attempts made over the past FY's



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- The County may deduct for administrative costs an amount of not more than 10% of the revenues.
- The remainder is apportioned among the cities and unincorporated areas on a population basis.



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- The primary use of these funds is to support school crossing guard programs.
- If an entity does not have such a program, the funds can be used for other programs to enhance child safety, health or nutrition including child abuse prevention and intervention and drug and alcohol abuse prevention.



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- Estimated revenue from the fee is \$275,000
- Provide additional funds to add an estimated 28 crossings
- Original number of crossings prior to budget reductions = 91; in FY2013 = 28 crossings.



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- Resolutions of support passed by:
 - Corpus Christi ISD
 - West Oso ISD



Update on School Crossing Guard Program

- School Crossing Guard Liaison has been working with the school districts on a program that consists of:
 - Volunteerism
 - Improved signalization



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- CCISD has advised principals to contact CCPD to conduct road safety education exercises.
- Volunteers will sign up at each school and CCISD will run background check.
- CCPD will train volunteer once cleared by CCISD.
- School will be in charge of volunteers



Update on School Crossing Guard Program

- To ensure uniformity, CCPD will be the sole training entity.
- CCPD equipment inventory will be distributed to volunteers as available.
- Working with other school districts on education and improved signalization



QUESTIONS?