

**AGENDA**  
**ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**April 27, 2023**

The Executive Committee of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) will meet at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 27, 2023, at the Northeast Texas Small Business Development Center (SBDC), 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, located at 105 North Riddle Avenue, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, as well as, via teleconference/webinar.

**Use the following information to register for the meeting:**

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Item 1. Call to order – Quorum Determination.

Item 2. Invocation.

Item 3. Public Comment.

*ATCOG invites members of the public to provide oral comment on any item included on this agenda under this item. Each person wishing to make a public comment shall be limited to 3 minutes, with comments directed to the Board as a whole. Reasonable accommodation shall be made for members of the public utilizing a translator for public comment.*

Item 4. Review and consider consent agenda items. (To be presented by Executive Director Chris Brown)

- Approval of the minutes as submitted for the ATCOG Executive Committee meeting held Thursday, February 23, 2023. (See Page 4)
- Acceptance of the minutes as submitted for the ATCOG Homeland Security Advisory Committee meeting held Thursday, November 17, 2022, and Thursday, February 16, 2023. (See page 6)
- Acceptance of the minutes as submitted for the ATCOG Regional Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (RCJAC) meeting held Tuesday, March 28, 2023, and Wednesday, April 5, 2023. (See page 11)

**Review and Comment**

Item 5. Executive Director Report (For information only, see page 18; to be presented by Executive Director Chris Brown)

- Indirect Finance Quarterly Report
- Quarterly Program Reports

### **Executive Closed Session**

Item 6. The Board of Directors will recess the Open Session and go into Executive Closed Session to discuss personnel matters regarding the Operations Coordinator as allowed in the Texas Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074.

### **Open Session/Regular Business**

Item 7. The Board of Directors will reconvene in Open Session and take action on Item 6, as necessary. (To be presented by Board President Bobby Howell, Judge, Bowie County)

Item 8. Review and consider approval of the revised FY2023 Indirect Rate as recommended by Texas Health and Human Services. (See page 36; to be presented by Executive Director Chris Brown)

Item 9. Review and consider approval of the utilization of ATCOG's indirect cost rate for ATCOG employees working on behalf of the Texarkana Urban Transit District. (See page 42; to be presented by Executive Director Chris Brown)

Item 10. Review and consider authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Concord Commercial Services, Inc., not to exceed \$525,000 to complete renovations at the Paris office building. (See page 44; to be presented by Executive Director Chris Brown)

Item 11. Review and consider approval of the purchase of one Dodge Ram ProMaster 3500 vehicle for the ATCOG Transportation Program. (See page 46; to be presented by staff member Roni Williams)

Item 12. Review and consider approval of the purchase of two (2) ADA Minivans for ATCOG expansion of Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT). (See page 48; to be presented by staff member Roni Williams)

Item 13. Review and consider approval of the priorities/recommendations established by the RCJAC concerning projects being submitted to the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division for funding consideration. (See page 50; to be presented by staff member Patricia Haley)

Item 14. Review and consider approval of the removal of a current signature authority for Guaranty Bank and Trust. (See page 56; to be presented by staff member Mary Beth Rudel)

Item 15. Adoption of a resolution authorizing recognition of National Police Week. (See page 58; to be presented by staff member Patricia Haley)

Item 16. Adoption of a resolution authorizing recognition of Older Americans' Month. (See page 59; to be presented by staff member Lisa Reeve)

### **Other Business**

Item 17. Computerized Criminal History System (CCH) Update. (See page 60; to be presented by staff member Patricia Haley)

## **Announcements**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will host a meeting regarding *Connecting Texas 2050*, the ongoing update to the statewide long-range transportation plan, at the TxDOT Paris District office, with a Microsoft Teams link available, on Tuesday, May 2, 2023, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. An in-person public meeting will be held that evening starting at 5:30 p.m. at a location within the TxDOT district.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has announced the availability of \$20 million to deliver broadband technical assistance resources for rural communities and to support the development and expansion of broadband cooperatives. [Broadband Technical Assistance Program](#)

A Workforce CEOs meeting will be held immediately following this meeting. Judges, please reconvene at the front of the room or remain on Zoom. All others, please move into the hallway or exit the Zoom meeting.

The next ATCOG Executive Committee meeting will be held on May 25, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at the Northeast Texas Small Business Development Center (SBDC), 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 105 North Riddle Avenue, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, as well as via teleconference/webinar.

*Pursuant to the Texas Open Meeting Act, Government Code Chapter 551, one or more of the above items may be considered in an executive session closed to the public, including but not limited to consultation with attorney pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and Section 551.074 arising out of the attorney's ethical duty to advise ATCOG concerning legal issues arising from an agenda item. Any decision held on such a matter will be taken or conducted in an open session following the conclusion of the executive session.*

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**MINUTES**  
**ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**February 23, 2023**

The Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) Executive Committee met at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, February 23, 2023, at the Northeast Texas Small Business Development Center (SBDC), 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, located at 105 North Riddle Avenue, Mount Pleasant, Texas, and via teleconference/webinar.

Item 1. Bobby Howell, Judge, Bowie County, called the meeting to order.

Item 2. Mr. Scott Norton, Executive Director/CEO, TexAmericas Center, gave the invocation.

Item 3. Public Comment.

No member of the public made a comment.

Item 4. Chris Brown, Executive Director, presented for review and consideration approval of the minutes as submitted for the ATCOG Executive Committee meeting held Thursday, January 26, 2023.

Motion to approve was made by Travis Ransom, Judge, Cass County, and seconded by Mr. Norton. It was approved.

**Regular Business**

Item 5. Ms. Whitney Fezell presented for review and consideration approval of the following applications for FY23 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant funds through the Office of the Governor Homeland Security Grant Division.

- ATCOG Planning, Training and Exercises project - \$96,000.00
- ATCOG Regional Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Training project - \$76,000.00
- ATCOG Cybersecurity Planning, Training project - \$170,511.00

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Norton and seconded by Judge Ransom. It was approved.

Item 6. Ms. Fezell presented for review and consideration approval of prioritization of 2023 Homeland Security Grant Program funds.

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Norton and seconded by Judge Ransom. It was approved.

Item 7. Ms. Patricia Haley presented for review and consideration approval of the nominated representatives to serve on the Regional Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (RCJAC) through December 31, 2023.

- Cass County – Greg Restelle and Wayne Mosley
- Franklin County – Tim Dial
- Red River County – Sheana Johnson

Motion to approve was made by Judge Ransom and seconded by Robert Newsom, Judge, Hopkins County. It was approved.

Item 8. Ms. Haley presented the Computerized Criminal History System (CCH) update for Board review.

**Announcements**

Judge Howell announced that the next ATCOG Board meeting would be held on March 30, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at the Northeast Texas Small Business Development Center (SBDC), 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, located at 105 North Riddle Avenue, Mt. Pleasant, Texas, as well as via teleconference/webinar.

With no further business, Judge Howell adjourned the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Bobby Howell, Judge, Bowie County  
Travis Ransom, Judge, Cass County  
Doug Reeder, Judge, Morris County  
Robert Newsom, Judge, Hopkins County  
Scott Norton, Executive Director/CEO, TexAmericas Center  
Marc Reiter, Mayor, City of Hooks

**ATCOG BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Tanner Crutcher, Judge, Delta County  
Juan Duenez, Mt. Pleasant Independent School District  
David Fordinal, Commissioner, City of Como  
Paula Portugal, Mayor, City of Paris  
Lynn Reynolds, Mayor, City of Linden  
Lowell Walker, Mayor, City of DeKalb  
Adam Young, Alderman, City of Avinger

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Maureen Hammond, Paris Economic Development Corporation

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chris Brown, Executive Director  
Whitney Fezell, Homeland Security Coordinator  
Patricia Haley, Criminal Justice Coordinator  
Toni Lindsey, Regional Development Director  
Marla Matthews, Executive Assistant  
Paul Prange, Environmental Resources Coordinator  
Debbie Purifoy, Compliance and Purchasing Officer  
Lisa Reeve, Area Agency on Aging Director  
Melinda Tickle, Finance Director

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Bobby Howell, President  
Board of Directors  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments

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**ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
November 17, 2022**

**MINUTES**

The meeting of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments Homeland Security Advisory Committee was called to order by **Andy Endsley** at 10:01 a.m., November 17, 2022, at TRMC Wellness Center.

**Whitney Fezell** provided the minutes from August 17, 2022 meeting, **Lance Hall** made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by **Tanner Crutcher** and approved by majority.

Whitney Fezell introduced new HSAC members **Tim Dial**-Franklin County, **Judge Travis Ransom**-Cass County, and **Rickey Draper**-City of Atlanta.

Whitney Fezell introduced new CLO Officers- **Tracey Litton**-Bowie County, and **J Brocket**-Hopkins County, and **Eli Green**- Lamar County.

**Whitney Fezell** provided the committee with a homeland security update. The committee was informed that Lamar Co has one active grant that is nearing liquidation date. The committee was informed that all FY23 grants were active and that general assessments for those grants are due soon. The committee was advised of conditions of funding holds for NSCR with a deadline of February 28<sup>th</sup> and SWIC review requirements. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee that grant adjustments for NPA or LETPA projects can only be done by state to federal and one at a time. They were also informed that FY 23 grant applications open December 15- February 9<sup>th</sup>. They discussed moving up date of application workshop as well as scoring meeting. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee that the PSO anticipates the RFA and priority areas to be the same as well as the 30% LETPA requirement. The committee discussed NPA areas and eligible items and scoring requirements. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee the need to submit over regional allocation in project due to not reallocating funds. The committee was informed about the new federal cybersecurity grant that pso will potentially open.

The first non-voting item on the agenda is to discuss SERI grants. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee that the region received \$900,000 for seri projects in Delta Co, Franklin Co, and Lamar County. The committee was advised that pso would provide feedback on unfunded projects. The committee was informed that SERI grants will open every other year and will open in 2024. The committee was informed of a SERI grant cap of \$750,000 per project, but ATCOG region was capped lower at \$250,000.

The next non-voting item on the agenda is to discuss the reallocation of funds. **Whitney Fezell** advised the committee the PSO will no longer allow regions to reallocate uncommitted funds, these funds will be returned to the PSO and reallocated at their discretion. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee that in order to be eligible for

reallocated funds, a NSCR must be on file for the agency. They were also informed that all projects in the regional was eventually picked up for funding with the reallocated funds (Mt. Vernon-Red River County).

The first voting item is to discuss and approve amendments to the allocation process. **Whitney Fezell** opened the floor for discussion in regards to the one project per jurisdiction ruling. **Whitney** explained that the ruling was due to jurisdictions being funded for multiple projects in a fund year. The committee was advised that we could allow multiple projects by having agencies identify their primary project for funding, and secondary projects and so on would only be funding if enough funds were available after all primary projects are funded. **Whitney Fezell** also explained changes to verbiage about the timeframe of notification in accordance with PSO. Jason Ricketson made the motion to approve amendments to allocation process, motion seconded by Tim Dial and approved by majority.

Next voting item is to discuss and approve bylaws revisions. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee that the bylaws will be updated to reflect the new approved allocation process amendments, as well as wording will be updated to change phases such as “not eligible” to “not recommended”. **Whitney Fezell** also informed the committee that clarification regarding eligible colleges, universities, and non-profits entities who wish to apply will need to contact their local emc to ensure that those requests are in line with their local emergency management plan and due to our risk methodology and allocation process, those entities will need to apply with their respective county or municipality. **Whitney Fezell** also informed the committee of the addition to the civil rights policy in the bylaws. **Lance Hall** made the motion to approve the ATOC planning project and LETPA project, motion seconded by **Tanner Crutcher** and approved by majority.

Next voting item is to discuss and approve the THIRA/SPR/IP plans. **Whitney Fezell** explained what these regional plans were and that a subcommittee was created and met in November to review and write all 3 plans. Copies of plans was distributed for review. Committee discussed regional priorities. **Tanner Crutcher** made a motion to approve the THIRA/SPR/IP plans, motion seconded by **Tim Dial**, and approved by majority.

Next voting item is to approve ATCOG Regional Planning Project and LETPA project. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee that the amount of the projects will stay the same from last year, and discussed the items in each project’s budget. **Lance Hall** made the motion to approve the ATOC planning project and LETPA project, motion seconded by **Tanner Crutcher** and approved by majority.

Next voting item is to discuss and approve method for meeting FY22 allocation process. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee of the annual LETPA project for \$76,000 back up project that ATCOG submits annually. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee that this project will be ranked last and only be funded or partially funded if the region does not meet the regional LETPA requirement. **Lance Hall** made the motion to approve the

ATOC planning project and LETPA project, motion seconded by **Jason Ricketson** and approved by majority.

The last voting item is to approve FY23 HSAC meeting schedules. **Whitney Fezell** advised the committee of the proposed dates: February 16th, May 18th, August 17, November 16<sup>th</sup>. **Tim Dial** made the motion to approve the meeting schedule, motion seconded by **Lance Hall** and approved by majority.

**Whitney Fezell** opened the floor for questions and discussions.  
**Whitney Fezell** asked **Nathan Carrol** to provide an update to Covid patient tracking.

**Whitney Fezell** opened the floor for announcements.

**Whitney Fezell** announced that the next cog repeater test will be December 6, 2022.  
**Whitney Fezell** announced that the next HSAC meeting will be January 16 2023.  
**Whitney Fezell** announced that the application workshop will be January 5, 2023 at 10am via Zoom.

Motion to adjourn was made by **Lance Hall** and seconded by **Tanner Crutcher**.

**ATTENDING:**

- Whitney Fezell – ATCOG Homeland Security Coordinator
- Jason Ricketson- EMC- City of Sulphur Springs Police Department
- Nathan Carroll- TDEM
- Larry McRae- EMC- Titus County
- Lance Hall- EMC- Bowie County
- Ricky Draper – City of Atlanta
- Andy Endsley- Hopkins County
- Tanner Crutcher-Delta County
- Tim Dial-Franklin County
- David Wood-DSHS
- Robert Moore- Guest
- Eli Green-Guest
- Calvin Nicholson-Guest
- JBrocket-Guest
- Tracey Litton-Guest

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**ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
February 16, 2023  
MINUTES**

The meeting of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments Homeland Security Advisory Committee was called to order by **Whitney Fezell** at 10:02 a.m., February 16, 2023, TRMC wellness center.

**Andy Endsley** provided the minutes from November 17, 2022, meeting, **Lance Hall** made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by **Tim Dial** and approved by the majority.

**Andy Endsley** opened the floor for introductions. **Andy Endsley** introduced Delta County's new EMC, **Robert Hurst**.

**Whitney Fezell** provided the committee with a homeland security update. The committee was informed that all FY 22 applications are active with general assessments completed. They were informed that all applicants, with the exception of Red River County, had completed the NSCR and that NSCR deadline is February 28<sup>th</sup>. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee that for FY23, 16 applications were submitted with 2 of those being for the national priority areas. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee of the recent changes to the federal RFA, including increased LETPA amount from 30% to 35% as well as the updated national priority areas. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee of the election security category and that jurisdictions should start looking for projects to fit into those categories.

The first voting item on the agenda is chair and vice chair elections.

**Andy Endsley** informed the committee of the previous chair and vice chair personnel. **Lance Hall** was nominated for chair, and **Tim Dial** for vice chair, motion was made by **Tanner Crump**, seconded by **Jason Ricketson**, and approved by majority.

The next voting item on the agenda was to prioritize FY2023 State Homeland Security Program funding projects via ballot. Each applicant that was present provided a detailed description of their project. **Whitney Fezell** explained the ballot and the scoring process. **Whitney Fezell** informed members that ballots must be complete and signed to be accepted. **Jason Ricketson** made the motion to accept the ballots as the FY2023 prioritization listing, Motion seconded by **Tim Dial** and approved by the majority.

The next voting item on the agenda is to approve dates for the annual communication exercise. **Whitney Fezell** informed the committee that the exercise dates should open March and go through June 30, 2023. **Whitney Fezell** advised the committee that more participation in communication exercise is needed. Motion was made by **Tim Dial** to approve the dates of the annual communication exercise, seconded by **Lance Hall** and approved by majority.

**Andy Endsley** opened the floor for questions and discussion.  
**Andy Ensley** opened the floor for Announcements.

**Whitney Fezell** announced the next repeater test on March 7th at 9 am.  
**Whitney Fezell** announced the next HSAC meeting ins May 18<sup>th</sup> location TBD.  
**Whitney Fezell** announced the Care Conference training opportunity.  
**David Wood** announced HCC training May 22-May 25.  
**David Wood** announced that he will be leaving DSHS.

Motion to adjourn was made by **Rickey Draper** and seconded by **Lance Hall** and approved by majority.

**ATTENDING:**

Whitney Fezell – ATCOG Homeland Security Coordinator  
Jason Ricketson- EMC- City of Sulphur Springs Police Department  
Tanner Crump- Sheriff’s Captain- Hopkins County  
Lance Hall- EMC- Bowie County  
Andy Endsley- Hopkins County EMC  
Rickey Draper-City of Atlanta  
Tim Dial- Franklin County  
David Wood-DSHS  
Calvin Nicholson-Guest  
Robert Hurst- Guest  
Ciarra Oxford-Guest  
Leah Thomas-Guest

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**ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG)  
REGIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RCJAC)  
March 28, 2023  
Mt. Pleasant Civic Center & via ZOOM**

**MINUTES**

The Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) Regional Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (RCJAC) met March 28, 2023 1:30 p.m., at the Mt. Pleasant Civic Center and via ZOOM.

Bob Hundley, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

Patricia Haley performed a roll call to record those present in-person and on the teleconference, of RCJAC Members, applicant representatives, and any other visitors present. There were a total of 36 present in-person and on the teleconference. A quorum was confirmed.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman Hundley introduced and welcomed the four new members on the committee.

The minutes from the November 17, 2022 meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by Darrell Bruce and seconded by Sherry Edwards to approve the minutes as amended. The motion carried.

Patricia Haley gave an update of CJD's funding allocations for the ATCOG region, according to each fund source. An explanation was given regarding the separate fund sources for the Juvenile Justice and Truancy Prevention categories.

Patricia Haley reviewed important notes regarding the scoring instrument, including the recommendation to use the printed version to pencil in the scores prior to submitting the final electronic score sheet. Also reviewed was the maximum points allowed for each question, application amounts that could change due to OOG review, the local priorities, conflict of interest policy, and the signature using the confidential code previously given to each RCJAC member. Ms. Haley also emphasized for the RCJAC members to electronically submit their score sheets as soon as possible after meeting, and for RCJAC members to keep their paper draft copies in case of an issue with the electronic submission and the need for resubmission if necessary.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman Hundley announced that each presenter would have a maximum of 5 minutes to speak about their project. There would be a pause between applicant presenters to allow the committee members time to complete each score sheet. All applicants, other than City of Atlanta and City of Mt. Vernon, were present and spoke about their project(s) in the following categories:

General Victim Assistance – Direct Services Programs (VOCA) (4) were presented as listed on the attached page.

Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) (6 out of the 8 applicants) were presented as listed on the attached page. City of Atlanta did not have an applicant presenter response at the scoring meeting and City of Mt. Vernon PD presenter was called out to a school emergency response before the meeting and notified representatives of the emergency and inability to present.

Juvenile Justice (1) & Truancy Prevention Programs (2) were presented as listed on the attached page.

Patricia Haley announced that scores will be tabulated and the RCJAC will meet April 5, 2023 1:30 p.m. at the Mt. Pleasant Civic Center & via ZOOM for a Funding Recommendations Meeting to review the scoring results, discuss and determine funding recommendations to submit the ATCOG Board for approval, and that once the ATCOG Board approves, then the applicants will be notified of those approved results. Ms. Haley also informed applicants to be available by phone on April 5<sup>th</sup> 1:30-3:30 or 4pm in case the RCJAC has further questions regarding their projects/applications as they are discussing and making funding recommendations at the meeting.

Ms. Haley reminded RCJAC members to make sure that all score sheets are submitted and if there are any issues with submission, please let her know and she will provide technical assistance.

A motion to adjourn was made by Tracey Climer and seconded by Rex Bloodworth. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Wayne Mosley, Hughes Springs ISD & PD  
Robbin Vaughn, 8<sup>th</sup> District Juvenile Probation  
Sheana Johnson, Bogata Police Department  
Rex Bloodworth, Cass County Sheriff's Office  
Sherry Edwards, Red River County Juvenile Probation  
Scott Dupree, Cass County Juvenile Probation  
Bob Hundley, Paris Police Department  
Tracey Climer, Daingerfield Police Department  
Tim Dial, Franklin County EMC  
Darrell Bruce, Lamar County Juvenile Probation  
Terri Giles, Bowie County CSCD  
Ronnie Humphrey, Mt. Pleasant ISD PD

Clint Bain, Titus County Sheriff's Office  
Melissa Simpson, Bowie County Juvenile Probation  
Michael Henry, Texarkana Texas Police Department  
Tom Whitten, Bowie County Commissioner  
Harold Martin, City of Queen City  
Brian Clayton, Titus County Juvenile Probation  
Jack Martin, Morris County Sheriff's Office  
Mark Buhman, Mt. Pleasant Police Department  
Paul Lindsey, Titus County Attorney's Office  
Trice Lawrence, Hopkins County Concerned Citizen  
Scott Cass, Lamar County Sheriff's Office

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Mary Ferguson, SAFE-T  
James Roberts, Domestic Violence Prevention, Inc.  
Alex Suarez, Delta County Sheriff's Office  
Charla Singleton, Delta County Sheriff's Office  
Ricky Shelton, Morris County District Attorney  
Misty Moody, Bowie County Juvenile Probation  
Misty Patterson, Domestic Violence Prevention, Inc.  
Robert Moore, Franklin County Sheriff's Office  
Brantin Carr, Franklin County Constable  
Bryan Denney, Mt. Pleasant Police Department  
Jonna Tye, Bowie County District Attorney's Office  
Chris Bruton, Bogata Police Department

**STAFF PRESENT**

Patricia Haley, ATCOG staff

**RCJAC MEETING  
March 28, 2023**

**GENERAL VICTIM ASSISTANCE – DIRECT SERVICES PROGRAM (VOCA)  
APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVES**

1.	City of Bogata – Area Crime Victim’s Advocate	Chris Bruton
2.	Bowie County – Bowie County District Attorney’s Victim Assistance Program	Jonna Tye
3.	Domestic Violence Prevention, Inc. – Comprehensive Victim Restoration Program	Misty Patterson
4.	SAFE-T - Children & Youth Services/Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Transitional Housing	Mary Ferguson

**JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM (JAG)  
APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVES**

1.	Cass County – Hand-Held Radio Replacement Project	Rex Bloodworth
2.	City of Atlanta – Police and First Responder Radio Replacement Project	No rep present
3.	City of Bogata – Vehicle Crash Reduction Project	Chris Bruton
4.	City of Daingerfield – Daingerfield Police Department Mobile Data Terminals	Tracey Climer
5.	City of Mt. Pleasant – Tactical, unmanned, remotely controlled tactical robot	Bryan Denney
6.	City of Mt. Vernon – Evidence Lockers	No rep present
7.	Delta County – Rifle Resistant Shields	Alex Suarez
8.	Franklin County – Franklin County Sheriff's Office Flock Camera	Robert Moore

**JUVENILE JUSTICE GRANT PROGRAM  
APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVES**

1.	Ark-Tex Council of Governments – Purchase of Juvenile Justice Services	Patricia Haley
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**TRUANCY GRANT PROGRAM  
APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVES**

1.	Bowie County – Truancy Prevention and Intervention Program	Misty Moody
2.	Morris County – Truancy Prevention Program	Ricky Shelton

**ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG)  
REGIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RCJAC)  
April 5, 2023  
Mt. Pleasant Civic Center & via ZOOM**

**MINUTES**

The Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) Regional Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (RCJAC) met April 5, 2023 1:30 p.m., at the Mt. Pleasant Civic Center and via ZOOM.

Max Cannaday, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

Patricia Haley performed a roll call to record those present in-person and on the teleconference, of RCJAC members and any other visitors present. There were a total of 21 present (RCJAC members, visitors, ATCOG staff) in-person and on the teleconference. A quorum was confirmed.

The minutes from the March 28, 2023 meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by Paul Lindsey and seconded by Jack Martin to approve the minutes. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Patricia Haley discussed CJD's funding allocations for the ATCOG region (was reflected on the funding recommendation template sheet for each fund source). The conflict of interest policy was also reviewed.

Patricia Haley discussed the layout of the funding recommendation template for each fund source, as used to submit scores and recommendations to OOG/CJD in past years. The Acceptable "Quality" Project Line and the Allocated Funding Depletion Line were explained.

The JAG scores and the RBE/estimated allocation were reviewed. After discussion of the applications and the amount of funds available, a motion was made by Ronnie Humphrey to place the quality line below the 8<sup>th</sup> application (which would recommend that all applicants receive funding if enough funding was available), to fully fund applicants 1-6, and the remaining allocation balance would go to #7 (Applicant in the #8 ranking would not receive funding in the initial estimated allocation), and in the event that additional JAG funding is available, recoup #7's requested amount as much as possible and if the additional funds exceed that, then fund #8's request as much as possible. The motion also recommended that in the event that less JAG funding is available, the recommended amounts would decrease in descending order of ranking. The motion was seconded by Bob Hundley. The majority were in favor and the motion carried.

The Juvenile Justice score and RBE/estimated allocation was reviewed. A motion was made by Tracey Climer to place the quality line and allocated funding depletion

line below ATCOG (the only applicant), and to fund ATCOG with the available allocation amount and if more funding is available recoup ATCOG's requested amount as much as possible, and if less funding is available ATCOG would receive what is available. The motion was seconded by Paul Lindsey. All were in favor and the motion carried.

The Truancy Prevention scores and the RBE/estimated allocation were reviewed. After discussion of the applications and the amount of funds available, a motion was made by Tracey Climer to place the quality line below the 2nd application, (which would allow Bowie County and Morris County to be eligible for funding if available), to fully fund applicant #1, and the remaining allocation balance would go to #2, and in the event that additional funding is available, recoup #2's requested amount as much as possible. The motion also recommended that in the event that less funding is available, the recommended amounts would decrease in descending order of ranking. The motion was seconded by Jack Martin. The majority were in favor and the motion carried.

The VOCA scores and the reasonable budget expectation (RBE/estimated allocation) were reviewed. After discussion of the applications and the amount of funds available, a motion was made by Michael Henry to place the quality line below the 4<sup>th</sup> application (which would recommend that all applicants receive funding if enough funding was available) and to recommend that applicants #1, 2, 3 receive approximately 76.45% of their requested amount and #4 at approximately 76.44% of their requested amount, with the allocation line below #4. The motion also included that in the event of more funding available, applicants would recoup the remaining requested amounts according to the order of ranking, and in the event of less funding available, the recommended amounts would decrease in descending order of ranking. The motion was seconded by Sheana Johnson. The majority were opposed and the motion did not pass. After further discussion a motion was made by Tracey Climer to place the quality line below the 4<sup>th</sup> application (which would recommend that all applicants receive funding if enough funding was available), to fully fund applicants #1-2, and the remaining allocation balance would go to #3 (Applicant in the #4 ranking would not receive funding in the initial estimated allocation), and in the event that additional VOCA funding is available, recoup #3's requested amount as much as possible and if the additional funds exceed that, then fund #4's request as much as possible. The motion also recommended that in the event that less VOCA funding is available, the recommended amounts would decrease in descending order of ranking. The motion was seconded by Ronnie Humphrey. The majority were in favor and the motion carried.

Patricia Haley explained the process of getting the recommendations approved by the ATCOG Board and after they are approved, the applicants would be notified of the results and those would be submitted to OOG.



A motion to adjourn was made by Tracey Climer and seconded by Jack Martin. All were in favor and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Rex Bloodworth, Cass County Sheriff's Office  
Sherry Edwards, Red River County Juvenile Probation  
Scott Dupree, Cass County Juvenile Probation  
Bob Hundley, Paris Police Department  
Tracey Climer, Daingerfield Police Department  
Tim Dial, Franklin County EMC  
Angela Price, Hopkins County Sheriff's Office  
Max Cannaday, Mt. Vernon ISD Police Department  
Ronnie Humphrey, Mt. Pleasant ISD PD  
Michael Henry, Texarkana Texas Police Department  
Paul Lindsey, Titus County Attorney's Office  
Trice Lawrence, Hopkins County Concerned Citizen  
Wayne Mosley, Hughes Springs ISD & PD  
Scott Cass, Lamar County Sheriff's Office  
Jack Martin, Morris County Sheriff's Office  
Sheana Johnson, Bogata Police Department  
Richard Salter, Paris Police Department  
Robbin Vaughn, 8<sup>th</sup> District Juvenile Probation

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Sarah Cooper, Morris County DA's Office  
Sandra Clayton, Morris County DA's Office

**STAFF PRESENT**

Patricia Haley, ATCOG staff

ARK TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
DIRECTORS REPORT

03.31.2023

Fiscal year thru period ending 09.30.2023

0010 - Executive

Description	Quarter to date	Year to date	Ytd encumbrnce	Annual budget	Annual variance	% used
50110 SALARIES	71,808.85	127,813.47	-	283,494.00	(155,680.53)	0.45
50210 BENEFITS	35,793.23	64,214.10	-	141,319.00	(77,104.90)	0.45
50310 STAFF TRAVEL	1,922.05	4,913.77	-	8,500.00	(3,586.23)	0.58
50312 REGISTRATION	-	650.00	-	4,000.00	(3,350.00)	0.16
50319 TRAINING	779.38	898.76	-	-	898.76	-
50410 RENT/SPACE	3,710.27	4,115.78	-	21,661.00	(17,545.22)	0.19
50420 TELEPHONE	1,432.87	2,300.14	-	6,236.00	(3,935.86)	0.37
50430 POSTAGE	27.58	428.43	-	1,500.00	(1,071.57)	0.29
50440 COPIER	301.55	1,096.32	-	1,272.00	(175.68)	0.86
50510 OTHER INDIRECT	16.25	112.25	-	5,000.00	(4,887.75)	0.02
50511 OFFICE SUPPLIES	13,387.20	23,049.33	-	2,500.00	20,549.33	9.22
50512 REPRODUCTION & PUBLICATIONS	-	-	-	250.00	(250.00)	-
50514 PERIODICALS	90.00	90.00	-	-	90.00	-
50515 MEMBERSHIP DUES	-	125.00	-	-	125.00	-
50515 MEMBERSHIP DUES - LOCAL	-	-	-	-	-	-
50516 ADVERTISING	-	30.00	-	-	30.00	-
50518 BUILDING/GROUNDS MAINT	-	-	-	-	-	-
50523 SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	-	-	-	5,000.00	(5,000.00)	-
50525 INTEREST	-	-	-	-	-	-
50531 DRUG TESTING	-	-	-	-	-	-
50610 EQUIPMENT	-	-	-	-	-	-
50612 COMPUTER SOFTWARE	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total EXPENSE</b>	<b>129,269.23</b>	<b>229,837.35</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>480,732.00</b>	<b>(250,894.65)</b>	<b>1.05</b>

ARK TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
DIRECTORS REPORT

03.31.2023

Fiscal year thru period ending 09.30.2023

0020 - Administrative

Description	Quarter to date	Year to date	Ytd encumbrnce	Annual budget	Annual variance	% used
50110 SALARIES	35,414.04	63,943.41	-	127,372.00	(63,428.59)	0.50
50210 BENEFITS	17,653.94	34,175.78	-	63,494.00	(29,318.22)	0.54
50310 STAFF TRAVEL	300.93	626.72	-	5,000.00	(4,373.28)	0.13
50312 REGISTRATION	-	-	-	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	-
50319 TRAINING	-	199.00	-	-	199.00	-
50410 RENT/SPACE	1,826.74	2,061.13	-	9,732.00	(7,670.87)	0.21
50420 TELEPHONE	717.99	928.22	-	3,111.00	(2,182.78)	0.30
50430 POSTAGE	115.30	168.08	-	2,350.00	(2,181.92)	0.07
50440 COPIER	155.11	193.84	-	571.00	(377.16)	0.34
50510 OTHER INDIRECT	-	105.00	-	6,000.00	(5,895.00)	0.02
50511 OFFICE SUPPLIES	265.46	265.46	-	750.00	(484.54)	0.35
50512 PERIODICALS & PUBLICATIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-
50514 MEMBERSHIP DUES	7,379.91	7,379.91	-	-	7,379.91	-
50515 ADVERTISEMENT	-	-	-	-	-	-
50521 LEGAL & ACCT FEES	-	-	-	-	-	-
50522 INSURANCE/BONDING	-	-	-	-	-	-
50523 SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	3,281.62	3,281.62	-	-	3,281.62	-
50524 BANKING SERVICES	-	-	-	-	-	-
50525 INTEREST	-	-	-	-	-	-
50530 CONTRACT LABOR	770.90	770.90	-	-	770.90	-
50531 Contract - DRUG TESTING	50.00	50.00	-	-	50.00	-
50540 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	398.60	738.95	-	-	738.95	-
<b>Total EXPENSE</b>	<b>68,330.54</b>	<b>114,888.02</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>219,380.00</b>	<b>(104,491.98)</b>	<b>0.25</b>

ARK TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
DIRECTORS REPORT

03.31.2023

Fiscal year thru period ending 09.30.2023

0030 - Board

Description	Quarter to date	Year to date	Ytd encumbrnce	Annual budget	Annual variance	% used
50310 BOARD TRAVEL	1,045.37	1,045.37		10,000.00	(8,954.63)	0.10
50312 BOARD REGISTRATION				4,500.00	(4,500.00)	-
50510 OTHER INDIRECT	193.16	193.16			193.16	
Total EXPENSE	-	-	-	14,500.00	(13,261.47)	-

ARK TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
DIRECTORS REPORT

03.31.2023

Fiscal year thru period ending 09.30.2023

0040 - Finance

Description	Quarter to date	Year to date	Ytd encumbrnce	Annual budget	Annual variance	% used
50110 SALARIES	42,118.13	68,336.69		165,322.00	(96,985.31)	0.41
50210 BENEFITS	21,134.50	37,024.09		82,411.00	(45,386.91)	0.45
50310 TRAVEL	653.72	653.72		2,500.00	(1,846.28)	0.26
50312 REGISTRATION/TRAINING	208.35	208.35		3,500.00	(3,291.65)	0.06
50410 RENT/SPACE	2,111.98	2,389.97		12,632.00	(10,242.03)	0.19
50420 TELEPHONE	770.30	949.49		3,282.00	(2,332.51)	0.29
50430 POSTAGE	677.67	774.21		3,000.00	(2,225.79)	0.26
50440 COPIER	312.42	1,291.09		742.00	549.09	1.74
50510 OTHER INDIRECT				3,000.00	(3,000.00)	-
50511 OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,244.27	1,454.27		7,500.00	(6,045.73)	0.19
50512 PERIODICALS & PUBLICATIONS					-	
50515 MEMBERSHIP DUES	150.00	150.00		1,000.00	(850.00)	
50516 ADVERTISING					-	
50520 AUDIT & ACCOUNTING	25,000.00	25,000.00		40,000.00	(15,000.00)	
50521 LEGAL & ACCOUNTING						
50522 INSURANCE & BONDING	15,025.96	15,025.96				
50523 SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	876.42	876.42		12,000.00	(11,123.58)	
50524 BANKING SERVICES					-	
50525 INTEREST				1,500.00	(1,500.00)	
50530 CONTRACT LABOR					-	
50540 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES					-	
Total EXPENSE	110,283.72	154,134.26	-	338,389.00	(199,280.70)	0.39

**April 2023 Homeland Security Program Stats**

<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Grant Number</b>	<b>Grant Status</b>	<b>Current Award</b>	<b>Expended</b>	<b>Project Period</b>
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	ATCOG Planning, Training and Exercises Project	2946008	Active	\$96,000.00	19,052.73	9/1/22-8/31/23
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	ATCOG-Franklin County Emergency Radio Infrastructure	3979302	Active	\$181,486.25	237.34	10/1/22-9/30/23
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	ATCOG-Delta County Emergency Radio Infrastructure Console Project	4514601	Active	\$196,068.86	28.47	10/1/22-9/30/23
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	ATCOG-Delta County Emergency Radio Infrastructure Project	4554501	Active	\$250,000.00	0.00	10/1/22-9/30/24
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	ATCOG-Lamar County Emergency Radio Infrastructure	4555401	Active	\$250,000.00	0.00	10/1/22-9/30/24
Delta County	Delta County License Plate Reader Project	4434701	Active	\$40,211.18	0.00	10/1/22-9/30/23
Hopkins County	Hopkins County Ventilation Fan Project	4534301	Active	\$13,250.00	0.00	11/1/22-10/31/23
City of Sulphur Springs	Portable Radio	4421001	Active	\$19,000.00	0.00	11/1/22-10/31/23
Lamar County	Lamar County Law Enforcement Training Equipment	4531901	Active	\$29,960.00	0.00	10/1/22-9/30/23
Franklin County	LETPA MDT Grant	4425301	Active	\$25,416.66	0.00	11/1/21-10/31/23
Red River County	Red River County Special Response Team Project	4404401	Active	\$39,680.00	0.00	10/1/22-3/31/23
City of Mt Vernon	I can see you	4438401	Active	\$23,510.00	0.00	10/1/22-3/31/23
Lamar County	AET- Lamar County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Team Project	4311501	Active	\$46,680.00	\$44,799.08	10/1/21-9/30/22
City of Texarkana	EC City of Texarkana Cyber Security Hardening and Disaster Recovery Enhancement Project	452201	Active	\$219,679.49	\$0.00	10/1/2022-9/30/2023

**INFORMATION:****EDA Published “Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)” on March 14, 2023.**

<https://www.eda.gov/funding/funding-opportunities/fiscal-year-2023-public-works-and-economic-adjustment-assistance>

**EDA (U.S. Economic Development Administration) Investment Priorities**

Through its competitive grant process, EDA evaluates all project applications to determine the extent to which they:

- (1) Create and/or retain high-quality jobs**
- (2) Leverage investment resources**-both public and private
- (3) Align with one or more of EDA’s *Investment Priorities***

**1. Equity**

Economic development planning or implementation projects that advance equity through investments that directly benefit 1) one or more traditionally underserved populations, including but not limited to women or specific race, or 2) underserved communities within geographies that have been systematically and/or systematically denied a full opportunity to participate in aspects of economic prosperity such as Tribal Lands, Persistent Poverty Counties, or rural areas with demonstrated historical underservice.

**2. Recovery & Resilience**

Economic development planning or implementation projects that build economic resilience to and long-term recovery from economic shocks, like those experienced by coal and power plant communities, or other communities impacted by the decline of an important industry or a natural disaster, that may benefit from economic diversification-focused resilience.

**3. Workforce Development**

Economic development planning or implementation projects that support workforce education and skills training activities directly connected to the hiring and skills needs of the business community and that result in well-paying, quality jobs.

**4. Manufacturing**

Economic development planning or implementation projects that encourage job creation, business expansion, technology and capital upgrades, and productivity growth in manufacturing, including efforts that contribute to the competitiveness and growth of domestic suppliers or to the domestic production of innovative, high-value products and production technologies.

**5. Technology-Based Economic Development**

Economic development planning or implementation projects that foster regional knowledge ecosystems that support entrepreneurs and startups, including the commercialization of new technologies, that are creating technology-driven businesses and high-skilled, well-paying jobs of the future.

**6. Environmentally-Sustainable Development**

Economic development planning or implementation projects that help address the climate crisis including through the development and implementation of green products, green processes (including green infrastructure), green places, and green buildings.

**7. Exports & FDI**

Economic development planning or implementation projects that enhance or build community assets to support growth in US exports or increased foreign direct investment.

*Additional information available:* <https://www.eda.gov/funding/investment-priorities>

## GRANTS:

**Grants in Process:** Strategic planning for proposals – 3 in process

### **Submitted Grants:**

<i>Ark-Tex COG NETEDD</i>	Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) <i>Rural Business Development Grant Revolving Loan Fund</i> \$1,000,000.00	<i>No match required</i>
<i>City of Avery Red River County</i>	2022 TxCDBG FAST Fund Grant ( <i>application due July 2022</i> ) Fire Truck \$516,606.00	<i>\$7,500.00 match</i>

### **Active Grants:**

<i>City of Jacksboro/Jacksboro EDC Jack County **Approval from EDA and NRPC/COG</i>	2022 EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment <i>Roadway/Water/Sewer in Jacksboro Economic Park</i> \$1,500,000.00	<i>\$152,000.00 City/match</i>
	<i>EDA GRANT # 08-79-05637</i>	
<i>Paris Economic Development Corp, Lamar County</i>	2021 EDA ARPA Public Works & Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs <i>Infrastructure Northwest Industrial Park &amp; Jobs</i> \$1,300,000.00	<i>\$552,344.00 match</i>
	<i>EDA GRANT # 08-01-05707</i>	
<i>City of Hooks Bowie County</i>	2021/2022 CDBG Community Development Fund Sewer Infrastructure \$350,000.00	<i>\$35,000.00 match</i>
	<i>TDA GRANT # CDV21-0265</i>	
<i>City of Hooks, Bowie County</i>	2020 EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment <i>Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade</i> \$850,000.00	<i>\$212,500.00 match</i>
	<i>EDA GRANT # 08-01-05371</i>	
<i>City of Sulphur Springs, Hopkins County</i>	2020 EDA Cares Act Public Works & Economic Adjustment <i>Coal Property Development – Infrastructure &amp; Jobs</i> \$2,380,000.00	<i>\$596,960.00 match</i>
	<i>EDA GRANT # 08-79-05609</i>	
<i>Hopkins County Sulphur Springs EDC Hopkins County</i>	2018 EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment <i>Rail Transload Heritage Park</i> \$1,500,000.00	<i>\$1,000,000.00 match</i>
	<i>EDA GRANT # 08-79-05222</i>	
<i>TexAmerica's Center, Bowie County</i>	2020 EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment <i>Rail &amp; Jobs</i> \$864,550.00	<i>\$216,138.00 match</i>
	<i>EDA GRANT # 08-79-05568</i>	

## Active Grants continued:

<i>City of DeKalb, Bowie County</i>	2020 EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment <i>Wastewater, Sewer, Water Lines &amp; Meters Easement &amp; Jobs</i> \$2,000,000.00 <i>EDA GRANT # 08-01-05486</i>	<i>\$559,858.00 match</i>
NETEDD Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)	2020 EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment \$3,186,179.31 <i>NETEDD GRANT # 08-57-02889</i>	<i>\$1,059,109.81 match</i>
NETEDD PLANNING	2021 3 Year Planning Grant \$210,000.00 <i>EDA GRANT # ED21AUS3020017</i>	<i>\$52,500.00 match</i>
<i>Ark-Tex COG NETEDD</i>	Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) <i>Rural Business Development Grant Revolving Loan Fund</i> \$500,000.00 <i>USDA 49-019-565975011</i>	<i>\$100,000.00 match</i>
<i>Ark-Tex COG NETEDD</i>	2020 EDA RLF SUPPLEMENT - COVID CARES ACT \$550,000.00 <i>EDA GRANT # 08-79-05424 "FUNDS REVOLVED"</i>	<i>\$0.00 match</i>
<i>Ark-Tex COG NETEDD</i>	2020 EDA Public Works & Economic Adjustment <i>Broadband/Population including Housing &amp; Infrastructure</i> \$400,000.00 <i>EDA GRANT # ED20AUS3070061</i>	<i>\$0.00 match</i>

## Denied/Not Selected Grants:

<i>Bowie Parkway Project, Bowie County</i>	2022 Bowie Parkway Project Northeast Texas Regional Mobility Authority (NET RMA) <i>Route/Traffic Study &amp; Geotech w/Schematic Design</i> \$200,000.00 <i>\$50,000.00 match</i>
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## HAZARD MITIGATION

### Plans Approved by FEMA:

**Bowie County Hazard Mitigation Plan** – links will be sent to the following locations for posting on websites:

De Kalb, Hooks, Leary, Maud, Nash, New Boston, Red Lick, Redwater, Wake Village, & TexAmericas  
Approval Date *January 19, 2023* – Expiration Date *January 18, 2028*

### Plan(s) In Process:

Franklin County Hazard Mitigation Plan  
Titus County Hazard Mitigation Plan

## **TRAINING:**

ESRI 2 Day Training – Managing Geospatial Data in ArcGIS for use on CEDS & Hazard Mitigation  
TARC Spring training Austin Texas  
Red River Leadership Institute training in Sulphur Springs, Texas  
ESRI 2 Day Training – Preparing Data for GIS Applications for use on CEDS & Hazard Mitigation  
ARPA Waste, Fraud & Abuse Training for Jacksboro Grant Award  
Legislative Summit Austin, Texas  
Red River Leadership Institute training at TexAmericas Center  
EDA EDGE Training – new application software

## **CERTIFICATIONS:**

### **2022 TxCDBG Pre-Qualified Professional Administrative Services**

Ark-Tex Council of Governments  
Toni Lindsey – Contact Information Texas Department of Agriculture website

### **2022 TxCDBG Grant Administrators & Environmental Certificate:**

Toni Lindsey, Regional Development Director  
Melody Harmon, Economic Development Director  
Brianna O’Shaughnessy, Development Specialist  
Kathy McCollum, Environmental/Hazard Mitigation Specialist

### **FBI Background Clearances for SBA to assist Economic Development Director:**

Toni Lindsey, Regional Development Director  
Sarah James, Development Specialist



**Economic Development Quarterly  
Report  
January – March 2023**

**RLF Program Information:**

**Loan Projects in Process**

- Prospects in Application Phase for **USDA Fund**: Meat Processing: Bowie County & Meat Processing: Lamar County
- Boat builder for **USDA Fund**

**Loans Paid Off January through March, 2023**

- Coppertop Outdoors (All loans paid in full)
- Marroquin Dentistry

**Loans Approved for Funding during the Quarter: N/A**

**Loans Going to Committee for Review: (N/A) NETEDD RLF funds fully utilized.**

**USDA RLF- awaiting finalization of package for loan review.**

## **Revolving Loan Funds (RLF) Program Active Loans January through March 2023:**

### **NETEDD – 13**

Red River Tire and Lube (Under COVID Guidance)  
Southern Paper Converting  
ESNR  
Longhorn Tire  
KNB Music  
Phinasse Farms Winery (Under COVID Guidance)  
Phoenix (Under COVID Guidance)  
Green Tara dba Southend Grocery  
Teriyaki Madness  
The Branding Iron  
Bankhead  
Wilson Legacy  
Lodge GBC Holdings

### **ETRAP Loans -3**

Leigh Water Supply  
Rowe Casa  
Longhorn Tire

### **CHAPMAN - 6**

Clarksville EDC  
City of Deport  
City of Avery  
Bowie County ESD #6  
City of DeKalb  
We Pack CD

### **COVID RLF Loans - 3**

Caffe Crema  
Truck 'n Awesome  
Phoenix Skool Buses

### **NETEDD, former CTEDD Loans - 5**

Fire Street Pizza  
Gardner Valvoline/Express-Hector Alvarez  
Kevin & Monita Keathley  
Grace Discovery  
Skate Waco, Inc.

### **FmHA RLF acquired from CTEDD - 1**

Gap Tractor PArts

### **ATRDC Program Information:**

- Total Loans in SBA 504 Portfolio – 18
- Total Original Issued Loan Amount - \$11,717,000
- Balance on Books as of 3/06/23 - \$8,588,248.44

### **ATRDC 504 Loan Program Monthly Income from Fees - \$4080.51**

- **Loans Approved by SBA (awaiting closing to fund)**

The Lodge at Gun Barrel City for the amount of \$2,421,000.00

### **Loan Prospects**

- Restaurant
- RV Park
- Other w/ bank

### **Outreach/Training for All Loan Programs During the Quarter:**

#### **Outreach**

- Continue lender visits
- Visits with SBDC staff in Paris and Mt. Pleasant
- Lender outreach via constant contact
- Social Media Marketing: LinkedIn and Facebook
- Share/Post SBA 504 updates from District and SCORE to social media pages
- Continued to increase outreach by posting through ATCOG Facebook page each time we post on LinkedIn.
- Referrals: 2 banks in our area, 1 with SBDC.
- Follow-up for referrals, provided resourcing to additional providers where needed.
- Attending Red River Leadership Institute Sessions.

## **Environmental Program Quarterly Report (January, February, March)**

- Illegal Dumping Surveillance Camera Loan Program – 12 camera systems and 45 “No Dumping” signs have been loaned out within Bowie County and are deployed in the cities of Nash, DeKalb, Simms, and in rural areas of the county. Four (4) camera systems have also been loaned out to Hopkins County to help reduce illegal dumping along rural roadways. Additionally, 12 “No Dumping” signs have been delivered to the City of Mount Pleasant. Recently, four (4) camera systems and five (5) “No Dumping” signs were loaned out to the City of Hooks to help enforce illegal dumping. ATCOG currently has four (4) camera systems and 23 signs available to loan out for illegal dumping enforcement.
- FY23 Solid Waste Grant funds, generated by landfill tipping fees, in the amount of \$40,500.00, are available for counties within the ATCOG region to conduct Illegal Dumping Cleanup/Community Collection Events. The funds have been allocated equally among each county and must be expended by August 31, 2023.
- FY 23 Water Quality Grant Funds, in the amount of \$13,475.00, are being utilized to conduct non-point source pollution activities within the ATCOG region. Activities include: Providing educational materials to the public relating to water pollution and conservation practices, composting and gardening techniques, proper lawn care methods, and pet waste disposal. Compost bins have been provided to local Master Gardener Associations within the region to help promote the utilization of natural fertilizers, and over 2,000 disposable nitrile gloves have been distributed to local volunteer water quality monitors associated with the Texas Stream Team. These volunteers monitor the condition of local waterbodies, including creeks, rivers, and lakes, on a weekly basis, utilizing chemical test kits and electronic meters. The results are provided to Meadows Center for Water and the Environment at Texas State University, to be compiled and presented to TCEQ on an annual basis. Additional FY23 Water Quality Grant Funds in the amount of \$6,220.00 will be utilized throughout the ATCOG region for similar purposes.
- ATCOG has joined the Texarkana Brownfields Regional Environmental Coalition (TBREC), which submitted an application to the Environmental Protection Agency for a Hazardous Substances and Petroleum Assessment Grant in the amount of \$500,000.00 to be utilized at various sites located within Bowie County, Texas, and Miller County, Arkansas. Coalition members include ATCOG, TexAmericas Center, the City of Texarkana, AR, and the applicant, the City of Texarkana, TX. This funding will help boost redevelopment activities at key locations currently underutilized due to perceived or actual environmental contamination. Unfortunately, The TBREC coalition was not awarded during this grant cycle.
- ATCOG is administering the Region 2 Lower Red-Sulphur-Cypress Regional Flood Planning Group grant program funded by the Texas Water Development Board. Funding, in the amount of 910,400.00, is being utilized to develop a flood plan in a region comprised of 20 counties located in northeast Texas. An additional \$576,600.00 in funding has been allocated to Region 2 by the TWDB to enhance the flood plan. The Technical Memorandum has been developed and was submitted to the TWDB in March 2022, and the Draft Region 2 Flood Plan was submitted to TWDB on August 1, 2022. The completed plan was submitted to the TWDB on January 7, 2023, for review and approval and is required to be updated every five years. Amendments to this flood plan will be considered by the Region 2 Flood Planning Group for submission to the TWDB between January and July 2023. The first round of flood planning will conclude in July of 2023, and the second round will begin in September of 2023.

FY2023 JAG Projects						
Grantee	Project Title	Grant Numl	Grant Status	Current Award	Expended	Project Period
City of Mt. Vernon	Car Radios	438301	Grant-Active	\$22,977.36	\$0.00	10/1/2022-9/30/2023
	Franklin County Mobile					
Franklin County	Data Terminals (CJD)	4425101	Grant-Active	\$36,002.40	\$0.00	10/1/2022-9/30/2023
Cass County	Taser Replacement Project	4427801	Grant-Active (Fund Hold)	\$28,316.00	\$0.00	10/1/2022-9/30/2023
City of Sulphur Springs	Portable Radio	4434601	Grant-Active	\$15,200.00	\$0.00	10/1/2022-9/30/2023
City of Clarksville	Video Storage	4516601	Grant-Active (Fund Hold)	\$14,547.00	\$0.00	10/1/2022-9/30/2023
Delta County	All Terrain Vehicle	4530701	Grant-Active	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	10/1/2022-9/30/2023
City of Daingerfield	All Wheel Drive Project	4411001	Grant-Closed	\$21,651.71	\$21,651.71	10/1/2022-9/30/2023

FY2023 VOCA Projects						
Grantee	Project Title	Grant Numl	Grant Status	Current Award	Expended	Project Period
Domestic Violence Prevention, Inc.	Comprehensive Victim Restoration Program	2907006	Grant-Active	\$341,497.06	\$153,450.69	10/1/2022-9/30/2023
	Children & Youth Services/Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and					
SAFE-T	Transitional Housing	2453109	Grant - Active	\$637,519.18	\$155,717.95	10/1/2022-9/30/2023

FY2023 VAWA Projects						
Grantee	Project Title	Grant Numl	Grant Status	Current Award	Expended	Project Period
Red River County (Sheriff's Office)	SA/FV Investigations Program	3953203	Grant - Active (Fund Hold)	\$35,014.84	\$8,308.98	10/1/2022-9/30/2023

FY2023 Juvenile Justice Projects						
Grantee	Project Title	Grant Numl	Grant Status	Current Award	Expended	Project Period
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	Purchase of Juvenile Services	1426624	Grant - Active (Blind Hold - Indirect Approval)	\$29,008.49	\$4,804.71	9/1/2022-8/31/2023

FY2023 Truancy Prevention Projects						
Grantee	Project Title	Grant Numl	Grant Status	Current Award	Expended	Project Period
Bowie County	Truancy Prevention and Intervention Program	3583205	Grant-Active	\$102,383.69	\$12,083.43	10/1/2022-9/30/2023
Morris County	Truancy Prevention Program	4267802	Grant - Active	\$52,566.84	\$13,145.40	10/1/2022-9/30/2023

\*Qtr. 2 Financial Status Reports for these grants are due to CJD Apr.22nd. After the 22nd, many of these applicants will then show expenditures or additional expenditures in the eGrants system.\*

FY2023 Purchase of Juvenile Justice Services Grant / ATCOG Contract with Counties (\$29,008.49 Total for 1-YR Grant)							
County	Scope of Services	Original Contract Amount	Amended Contract Amount	Expended Amount	Juveniles Served with Contracted Amount	Start Date	End Date
Bowie County	Juvenile Mental Health Services	\$ 4,940.00	N/A	\$2,950.00	8	9/1/2022	8/31/2023
Cass County	Juvenile Mental Health Services	\$ 1,650.00	N/A	\$1,200.00	2	9/1/2022	8/31/2023
Hopkins County (also covers Delta, Franklin)	Juvenile Mental Health Services	\$ 3,135.00	N/A	\$0.00	No invoices received to date	9/1/2022	8/31/2023
Lamar County	Juvenile Mental Health Services	\$ 2,805.00	N/A	\$2,805.00	7	9/1/2022	8/31/2023
Red River County	Juvenile Mental Health Services	\$ 1,000.00	N/A	\$1,000.00	8	9/1/2022	8/31/2023
Titus County (also covers Morris)	Juvenile Mental Health Services	\$ 2,970.00	N/A	\$2,800.00	5	9/1/2022	8/31/2023
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 16,500.00</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>\$10,755.00</b>	<b>30</b>		

FY2022/2023 Regional Law Enforcement Training Grant (\$154,267 Total for 2-Year Grant - FY22 & FY23)	
FY22/23 Total # Students to Attend Law Enforcement Training (Provided w/ ATCOG Grant Funds or Free Through ATCOG Coordination With Certain Training Providers)	392
FY22/23 Courses Held (Provided w/ ATCOG Grant Funds or Free Through ATCOG Coordination With Certain Training Providers)	65

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<i>Bowie County</i>	<i>Quarter</i>	<i>FY2023 Total</i>
Transportation	832 (\$5,474.56)	2,049 (\$13,482.42)
Home Delivered Meals	6,059 (\$32,173.29)	12,227 (\$64,925.37)
Congregate Meals	3,137 (\$23,025.58)	6,193 (\$45,456.62)
 <i>Cass County</i>		
Transportation	730 (\$4,803.40)	1,601 (\$10,534.58)
Home Delivered Meals	2,160 (\$11,469.60)	4,130 (\$21,930.30)
Congregate Meals	1,658 (\$12,169.72)	3,426 (\$25,146.84)
 <i>Delta County</i>		
Transportation	7 (\$46.06)	13 (\$85.54)
Home Delivered Meals	2,278 (\$12,096.18)	4,284 (\$22,748.04)
Congregate Meals (Grab & Go)	462 (\$3,432.66)	984 (\$7,311.12)
 <i>Franklin County</i>		
Transportation	53 (\$348.74)	200 (\$1,316.00)
Home Delivered Meals	187 (\$992.97)	299 (\$1,587.69)
Congregate Meals	---	---
 <i>Hopkins County</i>		
Transportation	1,264 (\$8,317.12)	2,511 (\$16,522.38)
Home Delivered Meals	4,157 (\$22,073.67)	7,716 (\$40,971.96)
Congregate Meals	---	---
 <i>Lamar County</i>		
Transportation	93 (\$611.94)	190 (\$1,240.20)
Home Delivered Meals	14,227 (\$75,545.37)	27,836 (\$147,809.16)
Congregate Meals	601 (\$4,465.43)	1,046 (\$7,771.78)
 <i>Morris County</i>		
Transportation	302 (\$1,987.16)	697 (\$4,586.26)
Home Delivered Meals	1,819 (\$9,658.89)	3,804 (\$20,199.24)
Congregate Meals	1,088 (\$7,985.92)	1,914 (\$14,048.76)
 <i>Red River County</i>		
Transportation	96 (\$631.68)	179 (\$1,177.82)
Home Delivered Meals	3,292 (\$17,480.52)	6,847 (\$36,357.57)
Congregate Meals	283 (\$2,102.69)	484 (\$3,596.12)
 <i>Titus County</i>		
Transportation	841 (\$5,533.78)	1,698 (\$11,172.84)
Home Delivered Meals	1,585 (\$8,416.35)	3,550 (\$18,850.50)
Congregate Meals	650 (\$4,771.00)	1,219 (\$8,947.46)
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<i>TOTALS</i>		
<i>Transportation</i>	<i>4,218 (\$27,754.44)</i>	<i>9,138 (\$60,128.04)</i>
<i>Home Delivered Meals</i>	<i>35,764 (\$189,906.84)</i>	<i>66,610 (\$353,699.10)</i>
<i>Congregate Meals</i>	<i>7,879 (\$57,953.00)</i>	<i>15,266 (\$112,278.67)</i>

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<i>Other Services</i>	<i>Quarter</i>	<i>FY2023 Total</i>
Homemaker <i>(Estimated)</i>	811.25/hrs (\$14,331.75)	1,581.50/hrs (\$27,876.00)
Caregiver Respite In-Home <i>(Estimated)</i>	513.50/hrs (\$9,058.50)	982.25/hrs (\$17,372.50)
Evidence-Based Intervention <i>(HomeMeds, Tai Chi-Arthritis, A Matter of Balance)</i>	401	567

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Estimated Funding for FY2023: \$2,739,927.00  
*(This figure does not include prior year funding)*

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*Training for the Fiscal Year 2023  
Certifications*

Alliance of Information and Referral System (AIRS) Certification	Magen Watters, Program Specialist
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### TRAX Quarterly Report

<b>RURAL TEXARKANA</b>			
PROGRAM	23-Jan	23-Feb	23-Mar
TRIP	1,402.00	1,146.00	1,377.00
GROSS MILES	31,496.00	21,462.30	26,668.00
REVENUE MILES	23,899.00	19,615.00	21,021.00
GROSS TIME	1,788.00	1,611.00	1,529.00
REVENUE TIME	1,087.00	1,051.00	1,027.00
COUNTY TRIPS			
BOWIE	611.00	577.00	683.00
CASS	603.00	544.00	538.00
MORRIS	188.00	149.00	156.00
AAA	651	543	752
<b>RURAL MT PLEASANT</b>			
PROGRAM	23-Jan	23-Feb	23-Mar
TRIP	848.00	850.00	906.00
GROSS MILES	9,874.00	8,681.30	7,884.00
REVENUE MILES	8,457.00	8,123.30	6,498.00
GROSS TIME	711.21	866.45	821.00
REVENUE TIME	584.00	614.50	705.00
COUNTY TRIPS			
TITUS	697.00	699.00	757.00
FRANKLIN	151.00	151.00	149.00
AAA	297	271	368
<b>RURAL SULPHUR SPRINGS</b>			
PROGRAM	23-Jan	23-Feb	23-Mar
TRIP	876.00	812.00	841.00
GROSS MILES	9,745.00	9,642.00	10,144.00
REVENUE MILES	8,841.00	8,095.50	8,994.00
GROSS TIME	701.04	596.94	607.55
REVENUE TIME	518.00	508.23	551.00
COUNTY TRIPS			
HOPKINS	841.00	768.00	798.00
FRANKLIN	35.00	44.00	43.00
AAA	414	416	446

<b>RURAL PARIS</b>			
PROGRAM	23-Jan	23-Feb	23-Mar
TRIP	920.00	867.00	912.00
GROSS MILES	7,055.00	6,416.00	6,874.00
REVENUE MILES	5,877.00	5,650.50	6,144.00
GROSS TIME	584.00	454.99	515.00
REVENUE TIME	441.03	392.55	425.32
COUNTY TRIPS			
LAMAR	515.00	551.00	566.00
DELTA	18.00	11.00	303.00
RED RIVER	60.00	42.00	43.00
AAA	87	73	59
Paratransit	327.00	288.00	303.00
<b>PARIS METRO SERVICE</b>			
PROGRAM	23-Jan	23-Feb	23-Mar
TRIP	2,956.00	2,783.00	3,433.00
Rev Miles	8,145.00	7,849.00	9,399.00
AAA	942	729	941
<b>MONTHLY TOTALS</b>			
Total Trips made	7,002.00	6,458.00	7,469.00
Total revenue miles driven	55,219.00	49,333.30	52,056.00
Total revenue hours	2,630.03	2,566.28	2,708.32

## 9-1-1 Call Statistics FY23 Q2

### Class of Service

ATCOG Training Center

Atlanta PD

Bi State Justice Center

Cass CO SO

Delta CO SO

(8 more PSAPs selected)

Years: 2022 - 2023

Report Date: 03/01/2023 12:23:56

Report Date From: 12/01/2022

Report Date To: 02/28/2023

Period Group: All

Call Type: 911 Calls

Abandoned Filters: Include Abandoned

Agency Affiliation: All

	BUSN	CNTX	COIN	No Class of Service	OTHER	PAYP	PBX	RESD	TLMA	Unparsed 911	Text	VOIP	WPH0	WPH1	WPH2	Total
ATCOG Training Center	6	0	0	442	0	0	0	11	0	0	1	15	0	415	248	1138
Atlanta PD	81	0	0	90	0	0	0	71	0	0	75	139	0	236	1086	1778
Bi State Justice Center	980	47	0	986	0	0	0	892	0	0	526	1092	9	7388	13617	25537
Cass CO SO	78	3	0	215	0	0	0	162	0	0	87	186	3	399	1528	2661
Delta CO SO	73	0	0	15	0	0	0	29	0	0	32	14	1	108	406	678
Franklin CO SO	17	0	0	30	0	0	0	21	0	0	16	102	0	159	908	1253
Hopkins CO SO	93	0	0	44	0	0	0	92	0	0	116	18	0	374	2095	2832
Morris CO SO	95	0	0	99	0	0	0	127	0	0	142	233	1	192	1607	2496
Mt Pleasant PD	172	0	0	65	0	0	0	56	0	0	108	542	0	527	3088	4558
New Boston PD	14	1	0	48	0	0	0	45	0	0	95	154	0	95	603	1055
Paris PD	144	2	0	93	0	0	159	142	0	0	137	557	8	2444	3338	7024
Red River County Sheriffs Office	93	0	0	19	0	0	0	107	0	0	54	52	0	182	1001	1508
Sulphur Springs PD	285	0	0	45	0	0	0	9	0	0	99	243	3	346	2308	3338
<b>Total</b>	<b>2131</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2191</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>1764</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1488</b>	<b>3347</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12865</b>	<b>31833</b>	<b>55856</b>

Wireless Calls = 44,723

Total Calls = 55,856

## **BRIEFING PAPER**

### **ITEM 8:**

Review and consider approval of the revised FY2023 Indirect Rate as recommended by Texas Health and Human Services.

### **BACKGROUND**

Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) Board of Directors approved an Indirect Rate of 23.15% at the September Board meeting when the FY2023 Financial Workplan was presented. ATCOG had requested Texas Health and Human Services (HHS) to review the indirect rate calculations and provide feedback. At the time of the September Board meeting, ATCOG had not discussed the rate calculations with the State.

### **DISCUSSION**

HHS recommended using audited figures rather than estimated figures when calculating the indirect rate. Therefore, ATCOG should base the calculation on the Total Indirect Cost and the FY2021 Audited Indirect Cost Under (Over) Allocation figures.

With the revised calculations in place, HHS as ATCOG's cognizant agency, recommended and approved the indirect rate of 26.27% of salary and fringe expenses. See attached HHS Indirect Cost Rate Agreement.

Board approval is requested for the revised indirect rate of 26.27% for FY2023.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends approval.

**DATE:** January 9, 2023

**TIN:** 17512933833  
**CONTACT NAME:** Chris Brown  
**GRANTEE:** Ark-Tex Council of Governments  
**ADDRESS:** 4808 Elizabeth St. Texarkana, TX 75503

The indirect cost rate(s) contained herein are for use on grants with Federal, State, or both governments to which 2 CFR Part 200 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards or the State of Texas Uniform Grant Management Standards apply, subject to the limitations contained in the sections below.

<b>SECTION 1: HHS SYSTEMS ISSUED RATE(S)</b>					
<b>HHS System Issued Rate</b>					
<b>Rate Type</b>	<b>RATE PERIOD</b>		<b>Rate</b>	<b>Rate Base</b>	<b>Next Proposal Due</b>
	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>			
Fixed with Carry-forward	10/1/2022	9/30/2023	26.27%**	<b>Salaries and Fringe</b>	3/31/2023

*\*\*If the indirect cost rate for the next fiscal year is not approved prior to the new fiscal year, use the current rate as a billing rate until a new rate is established. ICR Proposals must be submitted in accordance with the above timelines to continue recovering indirect costs.*

<b>HHS System Rate Based on the Following:</b>	
<b>Rate Base:</b>	<b>Salaries and Fringe</b>
<b>Rate Base Details:</b>	Total direct salaries and fringe benefits. The rate applies to all programs administered by the non-federal entity. To determine the amount of indirect costs to be billed under this agreement, direct salaries and fringe should be summed and multiplied by the rate.


<b>SECTION 2: ACCOUNTING TREATMENT OF FRINGE BENEFITS COST</b>	
<b>Accounting Methods</b>	
<b>Fringe Benefit Rate:</b>	49.76%

## SECTION 2: ACCOUNTING TREATMENT OF FRINGE BENEFITS COST

<b>Fringe Benefits:</b>	Fringe Benefits are charged to each program in direct proportion to the actual salaries charged to each. Benefits are allocated on a percentage determined by dividing the total estimated employee benefit costs by the estimated chargeable salaries (total salaries less release time for leave and holidays). A fringe benefit rate calculation worksheet that applies to salaries is provided. Proposed Fringe rate calculated at 49.76%.
<b>Paid Absences:</b>	Paid absences include: Vacations, sick leave, personal leave, and compensatory time in accordance with establish personnel policy.

## SECTION 3: Key Deadlines for Proposal Submissions

### Submission deadlines

<b>Next Proposal Due</b>	<p>Your FY24 Fixed with Carry-forward ICR proposal with the FY22 carry-forward adjustment must be submitted via the <a href="#">Landing Page for Subrecipients</a> no later than 3/31/2023 Please provide your FY22 audit report* along with the ICR Proposal Packet. Select the "Submit ICR Proposal" option to upload all required documents. The proposal packet must be submitted on the HHS Indirect Cost Rate Group approved ICR Proposal Packet templates. Select "Technical Assistance" to request copies of the approved templates.</p> <p>*Your audit should include a Schedule of Indirect Costs. The schedule of indirect costs should show the recovered indirect costs versus the actual expenses incurred. The Schedule of Indirect Costs must show any over or under recoveries for the carry-forward calculation. Please see the enclosed example.</p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  <p style="font-size: small;">Sample Schedule of Indirect Costs - 2021</p> </div>
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## SECTION 4: KEY GUIDELINES AND CONDITIONS

### KEY GUIDELINES

- A. LIMITATIONS:** Use of the rate(s) contained in the Agreement is subject to all statutory or administrative limitations and is applicable to a given Federal award or contract only to the extent that funds are available. Acceptance of the rate(s) agreed to herein is predicated upon the following conditions: (1) that no costs other than those incurred by the grantee were included in its indirect cost pool as finally accepted and that such incurred costs are legal obligations of the grantee and allowable under the governing cost principles, (See 2 CFR 200, Subpart E); (2) that the same costs that have been treated as indirect costs have not been claimed as direct costs; (3) that similar types of costs have been accorded consistent treatment; and (4) that the information provided by the grantee

which was used as a basis for acceptance of the rate(s) agreed to herein is not subsequently found to be materially inaccurate; (5) that a restricted rate or limit to the indirect cost rate or amount is not required under the enabling statute or by the cognizant federal agency; (6) indirect costs may only be recovered to the extent direct costs were incurred; and (7) the rates cited in this Agreement may be subject to audit. Indirect cost elements and the type of distribution base used in computing the rates are subject to revision when a final rate is negotiated to settle the provisional rate or if unusual circumstances affect the negotiated predetermined rate. In such situations, the rate(s) may be subject to renegotiation at the discretion of the cognizant agency.

- B. CHANGES IMPACTING THE INDIRECT COST RATE PROPOSAL:** This agreement is based on the organizational structure and the accounting methodology purported by the grantee to be in effect during the Agreement period. Changes which affect the amount of reimbursement resulting from the use of this Agreement require prior approval from the cognizant organization. Failure to obtain approval may result in subsequent cost disallowance.
- C. NOTIFICATION TO FEDERAL AND STATE AGENCIES:** A copy of this document may be provided by the grantee to other Federal or State funding sources as a means of notifying them of the Agreement contained herein.
- D. APPLICATION OF INDIRECT COST RATE TO EXISTING GRANTS:** Indirect costs charged to a grant by means other than the rate(s) cited in this Agreement should be adjusted to the applicable rate cited herein.

## SECTION 5: RATE TYPE DEFINITIONS

- A. Provisional Rates and Adjustments:** A provisional rate is temporary and used for interim reimbursement. The grantee must submit an indirect cost rate proposal within six (6) months after the end of their fiscal year to establish a final rate based on actual costs.
- B. Final Rates and Adjustments:** A final rate is the actual rate determined after the close of the fiscal year and is not subject to adjustment. Once a final rate is determined, charges to funding agency must be adjusted if the final rate varies from the provisional rate. If the final rate is greater than the provisional rate and there are no funds available to cover the additional indirect costs, the grantee may not recover all indirect costs. If the final rate is less than the provisional rate, the grantee will be required to reimburse the funding agency for the excess billings.
- C. Fixed Carry-forward and Adjustments:** A fixed carry-forward rate means an indirect cost rate which has the same characteristics as a predetermined rate, except that the difference between the estimated costs and the actual, allowable costs of the period covered by the rate is carried forward as an adjustment to the rate computation of a

subsequent period. When the actual costs for this period are determined, an adjustment will be made to a rate of a future year(s) to compensate for the difference between the costs used to establish the fixed rate and actual costs.

**D. Predetermined Rate:** The predetermined rate is based on estimated costs for a specified current or future period. The issuance of a predetermined rate depends on the reasonable assurance that the rate is not likely to exceed a rate based on the grantee’s actual indirect costs. The predetermined rate is not subject to adjustment except under unusual circumstances. If the grantee’s total expenditures increase or decrease by 25 percent or more within a 90-day period during the rate period, the grantee must submit a proposal indicating a rate based on the new expenditure data resulting from the increase or decrease.

## SECTION 6. ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT

### GRANTEE

Ark-Tex Council of Governments

**Grantee Name**

Chris Brown, Executive Director

**Name of Grantee Signature Authority**



**Grantee Signature**

1/13/2023

**Grantee Signature Date**

### COGNIZANT AGENCY

Texas Health and Human Services Commission

**Agency Name**

Racheal Kane, Federal Funds Director

**Name of Agency Signature Authority**



**Agency Signature**

1/10/2023

**Agency Signature Date**



**RESOLUTION NO. AEC23-11**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVING THE REVISED FY2023 INDIRECT RATE AS RECOMMENDED BY TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (HHS).**

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG is a regional planning commission and political subdivision of the State of Texas operating under Chapter 391 of the Texas Local Government Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the ATCOG Board of Directors approved an Indirect Cost Rate of 23.15% at the September Board meeting when the FY2023 Financial Workplan was presented; and

**WHEREAS**, HHS has since reviewed the rate calculations and recommended using audited figures rather than estimated figures when calculating the indirect rate; and

**WHEREAS**, HHS, as ATCOG's cognizant agency, recommended and approved the indirect rate of 26.27% of salary and fringe expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG has developed an Indirect Cost Proposal (ICP) following 2 CRF 200, Appendix VII D.1.b and certified to the validity of the Indirect Cost Proposal/Cost Allocation Plan in accordance with 2 C.F.R. Part 200.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:**

- Section 1 - That the Executive Committee approves the revised FY2023 indirect cost rate of 26.27% for Oct. 1, 2022 – Sept. 30, 2023.
- Section 2 - That the Executive Director, Chris Brown, has full authority to act on behalf of the ATCOG Board in all matters pertaining to the indirect cost rate proposal.
- Section 3 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of ATCOG and applicable law, and shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

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**Bobby Howell, President  
Board of Directors  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments**

**ATTEST:**

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## BRIEFING PAPER

### **ITEM 9:**

Review and consider approval of the utilization of ATCOG's indirect cost rate for ATCOG employees working on behalf of the Texarkana Urban Transit District.

### **BACKGROUND:**

TXDOT requires ATCOG to provide additional documentation regarding the ability of the Texarkana Urban Transit District (TUTD) to utilize the indirect rate approved for ATCOG.

### **DISCUSSION:**

In previous years, ATCOG received specific guidance from Public Transportation Division (PTD) Compliance:

"TUTD is "piggybacking" off ATCOG's rate because ATCOG has signed a contract with TUTD to provide service; therefore, ATCOG's board should give TUTD permission to charge an indirect cost rate. ATCOG gets their indirect cost rate from their cognizant agency so TUTD cannot charge more than ATCOG is allowed. ATCOG needs to provide TUTD a Certificate of Indirect Cost approval letter that states that the board has given TUTD authority to use ##% indirect cost for the period of \_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and must be signed by the President."

ATCOG has developed an Indirect Cost Proposal (ICP) following 2 CRF 200, Appendix VII D.1.b and certified to the validity of the Indirect Cost Proposal/Cost Allocation Plan in accordance with 2 C.F.R. Part 200. The indirect cost rate for Oct. 1, 2022 – Sept. 30, 2023, is 26.27%.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. AEC23-12**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVING THE UTILIZATION OF ATCOG'S INDIRECT COST RATE FOR ATCOG EMPLOYEES WHILE WORKING ON BEHALF OF THE TEXARKANA URBAN TRANSIT DISTRICT (TUTD).**

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG is a regional planning commission and political subdivision of the State of Texas operating under Chapter 391 of the Texas Local Government Code; and

**WHEREAS**, TUTD is a political subdivision district under the laws of the State of Texas as defined by Chapter 458 of the Texas Transportation Code and Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code; and

**WHEREAS**, TUTD has contracted with ATCOG through an Interlocal Agreement (Contract) for Transportation Management Services; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG has developed an Indirect Cost Proposal (ICP) following 2 CRF 200, Appendix VII D.1.b and certified to the validity of the Indirect Cost Proposal/Cost Allocation Plan in accordance with 2 C.F.R. Part 200.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:**

- Section 1 - That TUTD has the authority to “piggyback” with ATCOG and charge the appropriate Indirect Cost Rate for ATCOG staff billing direct hours to TUTD for services outlined in the Contract.
- Section 2 - That the revised Indirect Cost Rate for Oct. 1, 2022 – Sept. 30, 2023, is 26.27%.
- Section 3 - That TUTD and their Federal oversight agency, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), have been provided the ATCOG ICP.
- Section 4 - That this Resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its execution and apply to TUTD 2023 Fiscal Year.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

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**Bobby Howell, President  
Board of Directors  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments**

**ATTEST:**

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## **BRIEFING PAPER**

### **ITEM 10:**

Review and consider authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Concord Commercial Services, Inc. not to exceed \$525,000 to complete renovations at the Paris office building.

### **BACKGROUND:**

In February 2021, the ATCOG Board of Directors approved the purchase of a building and property for the ATCOG transportation program to house and secure vehicles and to provide needed dispatch, driver, administrative, and public lobby facilities. ATCOG purchased a building with the intent to renovate the building to fit operational needs. ATCOG procured an architect in the fall of 2021 to complete the design of the renovations and see the project through to completion.

### **DISCUSSION:**

ATCOG conducted Request for Best Value Bids to procure a contractor to complete the renovation project and received two bids. ATCOG staff reviewed the bids for compliance and discussed the results with the Architect. Concord Commercial Services was the lowest bidder for the project and can complete the project in a satisfactory timeframe. Therefore, ATCOG is requesting approval to proceed with a contract with Concord Commercial Services, Inc. not to exceed \$525,000. Funding for the renovations will be provided through the Federal Transit Administration. All federal, state, and local regulations were and will continue to be followed during the procurement process.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. AEC23-13**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CONCORD COMMERCIAL SERVICE, INC. NOT TO EXCEED \$525,000 TO COMPLETE RENOVATIONS AT THE PARIS OFFICE BUILDING.**

**WHEREAS**, in February 2021, the ATCOG Board of Directors approved the purchase of a building and property for the ATCOG transportation program to house and secure vehicles and to provide needed dispatch, driver, administrative, and public lobby facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG purchased a building with the intent to renovate the building to fit operational needs; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG procured an architect in the fall of 2021 to complete the design of the renovations and see the project through to completion; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG conducted a Request for Best Value Bids to procure a contractor to complete the renovation project and received two bids; and

WHEREAS, ATCOG has selected Concord Commercial Services, Inc. to complete the project with a contract not to exceed \$525,000; and

WHEREAS, Funding for the renovations will be provided through the Federal Transit Administration; and

**WHEREAS**, all federal, state and local regulations were followed during the procurement process.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:**

- Section 1 - That the Executive Committee authorizes the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Concord Commercial Services, Inc not to exceed \$525,000 to complete renovations at the Paris office building.
- Section 2 - That the Executive Director, Chris Brown, has full authority to act on behalf of the ATCOG Board in all matters pertaining to the contract.
- Section 3 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of Ark-Tex Council of Governments and applicable law, and shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

**ATTEST:**

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**Bobby Howell, President**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Ark-Tex Council of Governments**

## **BRIEFING PAPER**

### **ITEM 11:**

Review and consider approval of the purchase of one Dodge Ram ProMaster 3500 vehicle for the Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) Transportation Program (TRAX).

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) Transportation program (TRAX) operates rural demand response service in 9 counties in NE Texas. The need for safe and reliable vehicles is paramount to our passengers and operators' safety.

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Formula (BBF) Program, administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), provides capital funding to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses, vans, and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities. FTA apportions a discretionary component and a small urban (population 50,000 to 200,000) formula component to Governors of each State annually.

ATCOG Transportation program capital purchases are funded by the 5339 program in accordance with TxDOT requirements, which allow ATCOG to serve clients in Bowie, Cass, Delta, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Morris, Red River, and Titus Counties.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The need for a replacement vehicle was identified when working on vehicle inventory for the Transit Asset Management plan. ATCOG evaluated which vehicles were beyond their useful life (130%), and concluded that the one of the vehicles was eligible for replacement.

The Dodge ProMaster 3500 bus has many features; one is the benefits of a low-floor bus making accessibility easier for our passengers. They no longer must contend with steps. The Dodge ProMaster 3500 has an accessible entranceway that provides equal access to passengers of all abilities, including wheelchair riders and users of power scooters. It ensures that every member of the community has equal access to public services and support.

TxDOT approved the ATCOG Transportation Department to use \$125,000.00 of its 5339 Rural BBF grant funds for the vehicle purchase, and local salvage funds will be used to cover the remaining \$46,264.45. The vehicle will be procured through a state contract.

The ATCOG Procurement Policy states that all purchases of \$50,000 and above require ATCOG Board approval.

ATCOG requests approval to purchase the Dodge Ram ProMaster 3500 vehicle in the amount of \$171,264.45, with both the TxDOT grant and local transportation funds.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. AEC23-14**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG) APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF ONE DODGE RAM PROMASTER 3500 VEHICLE.**

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG Board of Directors approved the ATCOG Procurement Policy and Procedure Manual on December 14, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG Procurement Policy and Procedure Manual states ATCOG Board approval is required for all purchases of \$50,000.00 and above; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Program needs to purchase one Dodge Ram ProMaster vehicle to replace a vehicle beyond its useful life to improve quality of service; and

**WHEREAS**, the funding for the purchase is available through the Federal Transit Administration 5339 Discretionary grant funding program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:**

Section 1 - That the Board of Directors approves the purchase of one Dodge Ram ProMaster 3500 vehicle.

Section 2 - That the Executive Director, Chris Brown, has full authority to act on behalf of the ATCOG Board of Directors relating to the aforementioned purchase.

Section 3 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of Ark-Tex Council of Governments and applicable law, and shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 27<sup>th</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

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**Bobby Howell, President  
Board of Directors  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments**

**ATTEST:**

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## **BRIEFING PAPER**

### **ITEM 12:**

Review and consider approval of the purchase of two (2) ADA minivans for ATCOG service expansion of non-emergency medical transportation (NEMT).

### **BACKGROUND:**

Ark-Tex Council of Governments operates rural demand response service in the 9 counties in NE Texas. ATCOG is looking to expand services for NEMT while reducing service gaps and improving local revenue services. The service has been expanded through 5311 funding through the TxDOT Atlanta District.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The need for dedicated vehicles was identified for this service and included in the grant award. The two (2) Chrysler Voyager Minivans will cost a total of \$193,378.00. We have purchased 6 Minivans for the NEMT services already but need two (2) more to have two (2) assigned vehicles at each main location, which are located in Texarkana, Mt. Pleasant, Paris, and Sulphur Springs, Texas. Texas Department of Transportation has approved ATCOG to purchase these minivans using 100% 5311 federal funding. The vehicles will be purchased through a state contract.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.



**RESOLUTION NO. AEC23-15**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) CHRYSLER VOYAGER MINIVANS.**

**WHEREAS**, the ATCOG Board of Directors approved the ATCOG Procurement Policy and Procedure Manual on December 14, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG Procurement Policy and Procedure Manual States ATCOG Board approval is required for all purchases of \$50,000 and above; and

**WHEREAS**, the ATCOG needs to purchase dedicated vehicles in order to expand services for non-emergency medical transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, the funding for this purchase is available through 5311 funding through the TxDOT Atlanta District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:**

Section 1 - That the Executive Committee approves the purchase of two (2) Chrysler Voyager Minivans.

Section 2 - That the Executive Director, Chris Brown, has full authority to act on behalf of the ATCOG Board of Directors relating to the aforementioned purchase.

Section 3 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of Ark-Tex Council of Governments and applicable law, and shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

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**Bobby Howell, President  
Board of Directors  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments**

**ATTEST:**

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## BRIEFING PAPER

### **ITEM 13:**

Review and consider approval of the priorities/recommendations established by the Regional Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (RCJAC) concerning projects being submitted to the Office of the Governor (OOG), Criminal Justice Division (CJD), for funding consideration.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Each year, applications are submitted to OOG/CJD through eGrants by agencies/organizations in the ATCOG region. After the applications have been submitted, OOG/CJD requires ATCOG to distribute the applications to the RCJAC to be reviewed and scored, and the ATCOG Board to issue approved recommendations to send to OOG/CJD, who will then make the final funding decisions.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Regional Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (RCJAC) met on March 28, 2023, and applicants gave a brief presentation about their project. RCJAC members then had an opportunity to ask questions to each presenter regarding their application/project. Applications were scored, and the RCJAC had a follow-up meeting on April 5, 2023, to review the scoring results and discuss/determine funding recommendations for all funding categories. The RCJAC's recommendations are reflected in the attachments.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.

**Juvenile Justice Grant Program** \_\_\_\_\_ = Acceptable "Quality" Project Line

OOG's Reasonable Budget Expectation for ATCOG Region **\$30,969.69** \_\_\_\_\_ = Allocated Funding Depletion Line

\* If additional funding is available, recoup Ark-Tex Council of Government's Requested Amount (as much as possible).

**1-YEAR PROJECTS & BUDGET AMOUNTS**

Funding Source ID	Ranking	Score	Grant Number	Agency	Project Title	Project Details	Applicant's Requested Amount	Amount According to Ranking & Allocation Amount Remaining	Additional Information	% of Total Juv. Justice Allocation Amount	% of Applicant's Requested Amount
SF	1	99.143	1426625	Ark-Tex Council of Governments	Juvenile Justice Services	Juvenile mental health services (counseling, psychiatric/psychological evals, sex offender counseling/treatment, anger management counseling, parent/family training & parent/family support services), 1 personnel position (partially paid-Criminal Justice Coordinator), mileage, supplies & operating expenses.	\$55,000.00	\$30,969.69		100.00000%	56.30853%

**Total Requested Amount \$55,000.00      \$30,969.69      Total COG/RCJAC Recommended Amount**

Funding Allocation Line \_\_\_\_\_

Quality Line \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Allocation Remaining (as COG/RCJAC \$0.00 amounts are entered)

**Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program**

OOG's Reasonable Budget Expectation for ATCOG Region **\$165,819.70**

**\_\_\_\_\_ = Acceptable "Quality" Project Line**

**\_\_\_\_\_ = Allocated Funding Depletion Line**

If additional funding is available, recoup applicant(s) ranked 7, 8  
 \* "Requested Amount" (as much as possible) in that order, until the funding is depleted.

\* If less funding is available, follow the ranked order under "COG/RCJAC Recommended Amount" in 7,6,5,4,3,2,1 order until the funding is depleted.

**1-YEAR PROJECTS & BUDGET AMOUNTS**

Funding Source ID	Ranking	Score	Grant Number	Agency	Project Title	Project Details	Applicant's Requested Amount	Amount According to Ranking & Allocation Amount Remaining	Additional Information	% of Total JAG Allocation Amount	% of Applicant's Requested Amount
DJ	1	95.500	4741601	Cass County	Hand-Held Radio Replacement Project	15 digital hand-held radios with microphones and chargers.	\$21,195.00	\$21,195.00		12.78196%	100.00000%
DJ	2	94.400	4745701	City of Daingerfield	Daingerfield Police Department Mobile Data Terminals	5 laptop computers and stands for patrol vehicles, software and services for Mobile RMS and Stand-Alone LETS Interface for five laptops	\$26,957.50	\$26,957.50		16.25712%	100.00000%
DJ	3	90.857	4766901	Delta County	Rifle Resistant Shields	18 NIJ Level III Ballistic Shield with Viewport	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00		12.06129%	100.00000%
DJ	4	88.550	4692401	City of Bogata	Vehicle Crash Reduction Project	3 Stalker in car radar units, 1 hand held Stalker Lidar XLR unit, Stalker SAM-R trailer, Rotatable speed sign	\$17,527.00	\$17,527.00		10.56991%	100.00000%
DJ	5	88.450	4849601	Franklin County	Franklin County Sheriff's Office Flock Camera	7 Flock LPR Capable Cameras and pole mount	\$32,200.00	\$32,200.00		19.41868%	100.00000%
DJ	6	85.421	4747101	City of Mt. Pleasant	Tactical, unmanned, remotely controlled tactical robot	1 Tactical, unmanned remotely controlled Vantage Robot and 1 gas delivery system to be paired with Vantage Robot	\$44,000.00	\$44,000.00		26.53484%	100.00000%
DJ	7	54.150	4808201	City of Mt. Vernon	Evidence Lockers	2 Evidence lockers to hold evidence collected by patrol	\$18,000.00	\$3,940.20	Presenter was called out on emergency before meeting - no presentation at meeting	2.37620%	21.89000%
DJ	8	52.300	4712601	City of Atlanta	Radio Replacement Project	10 P-25 Compliant Portable Radios	\$37,000.00	\$0.00	No representative response - no presentation at meeting		0.00000%
<b>Total Requested Amount</b>							<b>\$216,879.50</b>	<b>\$165,819.70</b>	<b>Total COG/RCJAC Recommended Amount</b>	<b>100.00000%</b>	

Funding Allocation Line \_\_\_\_\_

Quality Line \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Allocation Remaining (as COG/RCJAC amounts are entered)

**Truancy Prevention Grant Program**

\_\_\_\_\_ = Acceptable "Quality" Project Line

OOG's Reasonable Budget Expectation for ATCOG Region **\$96,020.28**

\_\_\_\_\_ = Allocated Funding Depletion Line

\* If additional funding is available, recoup applicant ranked 2 "Requested Amount" (as much as possible) until the funding is depleted.

\* If less funding is available, follow the ranked order under "COG/RCJAC Recommended Amount" in 2,1 order until the funding is depleted.

**1-YEAR PROJECTS & BUDGET AMOUNTS**

Funding Source ID	Ranking	Score	Grant Number	Agency	Project Title	Project Details	Applicant's Requested Amount	Amount According to Ranking & Allocation Amount Remaining	Additional Information	% of Total Truancy Allocation Amount	% of Applicant's Requested Amount
TP	1	93.524	4267803	Morris County	Truancy Prevention and Juvenile Justice	Truancy Prosecutor, 2 Admin clerks and truancy prevention services. (3 partially paid personnel positions )	\$52,700.00	\$52,700.00		54.88424%	100.00000%
TP	2	90.368	3583206	Bowie County	Truancy Prevention and Intervention Program	2 Juvenile Case Managers and truancy prevention services. (2 fully paid positions & operating supplies.)	\$104,997.56	\$43,320.28		45.11576%	41.25837%

Funding Allocation Line  
Quality Line

**Total Requested Amount \$157,697.56      \$96,020.28      Total COG/RCJAC Recommended Amount 100.00000%**

Amount of Allocation Remaining (as COG/RCJAC \$0.00 amounts are entered)

**General Victim Assistance - Direct Services (VOCA)**

OOG's Reasonable Budget Expectation for ATCOG Region **\$961,364.85**

**\_\_\_\_\_ = Acceptable "Quality" Project Line**  
**\_\_\_\_\_ = Allocated Funding Depletion Line**  
 \* If additional funding is available, recoup applicant(s) ranked 3, 4 "Requested Amount" (as much as possible) in that order, until the funding is depleted.  
 \* If less funding is available, follow the ranked order under "COG/RCJAC Recommended Amount" in 3,2,1 order until the funding is depleted.

**1-YEAR PROJECTS & BUDGET AMOUNTS**

Funding Source ID	Ranking	Score	Grant Number	Agency	Project Title	Project Details	Applicant's Requested Amount	Amount According to Ranking & Allocation Amount Remaining	Additional Information	% of Total VOCA Allocation Amount	% of Applicant's Requested Amount
VC	1	92.900	4823501	Bowie County	Bowie County District Attorney's Victim Assistance Program	2 fully paid personnel positions providing direct victim services and legal advocacy	\$115,000.00	\$115,000.00		11.96216%	100.00000%
VC	2	91.350	2453110	SAFE-T	Children & Youth Services/Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Transitional Housing	Shelter/crisis services, legal advocacy/support groups/counseling/prot.order assist. (22 partially paid personnel positions, operating expenses & supplies)	\$677,065.00	\$677,065.00		70.42748%	100.00000%
VC	3	90.238	2907007	Domestic Violence Prevention, Inc.	Comprehensive Victim Restoration Program	Shelter/crisis services, legal advocacy/multi-discip coord services/support groups/counseling/prot.order assist. (10 partially paid personnel positions, 2 fully paid personnel positions, operating expenses & supplies)	\$420,494.30	\$169,299.85		17.61036%	40.26210%
VC	4	87.950	4757901	City of Bogata	Area Crime Victim's Advocate	Crime Victim's advocate position total cost with fringe benefits (1 personnel position)	\$45,000.00	\$0.00			0.00000%
<b>Total Requested Amount</b>							<b>\$1,257,559.30</b>	<b>\$961,364.85</b>	<b>Total COG/RCJAC Recommended Amount</b>	<b>100.00000%</b>	

Funding Allocation Line \_\_\_\_\_  
 Quality Line \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Allocation Remaining (as COG/RCJAC \$0.00 amounts are entered)

**RESOLUTION NO. AEC23-16**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS APPROVING THE PRIORITIES AND FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE REGIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RCJAC) FOR THE JAG, JUVENILE JUSTICE, TRUANCY PREVENTION, AND VOCA APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR (OOG), PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE (PSO) – CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION (CJD).**

**WHEREAS**, the Regional Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (RCJAC) is an advisory subcommittee of the ATCOG Board of Directors; and

**WHEREAS**, the rules and regulations of the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office - Criminal Justice Division require that these applications be reviewed and priorities/funding recommendations be established by the Ark-Tex Council of Governments.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:**

Section 1 - That the applications submitted to the Officer of the Governor - Criminal Justice Division for funding consideration through the JAG, Juvenile Justice, Truancy Prevention, and VOCA categories for FY2024 have been reviewed.

Section 2 - That the JAG, Juvenile Justice, Truancy Prevention, and VOCA applications are given priority with the funding recommendations as indicated on the attachment.

Section 3 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of Ark-Tex Council of Governments and applicable law, and shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

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**Bobby Howell, President  
Board of Directors  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments**

**ATTEST:**

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## **BRIEFING PAPER**

### **ITEM 14:**

Review and consider approval of the removal of a current signature authority for Guaranty Bank and Trust.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) Board of Directors approved selection of Guaranty Bank & Trust to provide banking services effective October 1, 2020. Currently, the approved signature authorities on ATCOG bank accounts are Judge Bobby Howell, ATCOG Board President; Scott Norton, ATCOG Board Vice President; Judge Scott Lee, ATCOG Board Treasurer; Judge Travis Ransom, ATCOG Board Secretary; Chris Brown, ATCOG Executive Director; Mary Beth Rudel, ATCOG Deputy Director; Melinda Tickle, ATCOG Finance Director; and Debbie Purifoy, ATCOG Compliance and Procurement Officer.

### **DISCUSSION:**

At the ATCOG Board of Directors' meeting in March 2023, revisions to the accounting policies were approved. The revisions included the removal of the ATCOG Finance Director as a signature authority to ensure better controls were in place.

Guaranty Bank was notified of the approved revisions and requested a resolution to reflect the approval of the signature authority removal.

Therefore, the resolution is being brought before the board for final approval to be submitted to Guaranty Bank.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval.



**RESOLUTION NO. AEC23-17**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (ATCOG) APPROVING THE REMOVAL OF A CURRENT SIGNATURE AUTHORITY FOR GUARANTY BANK AND TRUST.**

**WHEREAS**, the Ark-Tex Council of Governments is a Regional Planning Commission established pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 391 of the Local Government Code (formerly Article 1011m, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas), and Arkansas Interlocal Cooperation Act 430; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ark-Tex Council of Governments' Board of Directors approved selection of Guaranty Bank & Trust to provide banking services effective October 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Melinda Tickle, Finance Director, is removed from signature authority per the revised accounting policies.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:**

Section 1 - That Melinda Tickle, ATCOG Finance Director, is removed from signature authority at Guaranty Bank and Trust effective April 27, 2023.

Section 2 - That this resolution is approved by majority vote in accordance with the bylaws of Ark-Tex Council of Governments and applicable law, and shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

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**Bobby Howell, President  
Board of Directors  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments**

**ATTEST:**

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**RESOLUTION NO. AEC23-18**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AUTHORIZING RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL POLICE WEEK.**

**WHEREAS**, the Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) is a political subdivision of the State serving Bowie, Cass, Delta, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Morris, Red River, and Titus, Texas counties and Miller County, Arkansas; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG is committed to providing technical assistance and training services for law enforcement officers in the region; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG recognizes the professional and unending services of the law enforcement officers as they respond to and strive to serve the communities of our region on a daily basis; and

**WHEREAS**, National Police Week offers honor, remembrance, and peer support while allowing law enforcement, survivors, and citizens to gather and pay homage to those who gave their lives in the line of duty; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation that designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day in honor of the Federal, State, and local officers who have been killed, disabled, or otherwise injured in the line of duty and the week in which that date falls as Police Week.

**WHEREAS**, since the original proclamation, the President of the United States has historically acknowledged May 15 of each year as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which it falls as National Police Week.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:**

Section 1 - That, on behalf of the law enforcement officers serving in the ATCOG region and those who have given their lives in service to our communities across the nation, state, and region, the ATCOG Board of Directors hereby declares the week of May 14-20, 2023, to be National Police Week.

Section 2 - That the ATCOG Board of Directors encourages all local governments to sign a similar resolution to offer honor, remembrance, and peer support, with appropriate activities and/or memorials to allow law enforcement, survivors, and citizens to gather and pay homage to those who gave their lives in the line of duty.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

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**Bobby Howell, President  
Board of Directors  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments**

**ATTEST:**

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**RESOLUTION NO. AEC23-19**

**RESOLUTION OF THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AUTHORIZING RECOGNITION OF OLDER AMERICANS MONTH.**

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG's region includes a growing number of older Americans who contribute their strength, wisdom, and experience to our community; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG communities benefit when people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds are welcomed, included, supported; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG recognizes our need to create a community that provides the services and supports older Americans' need to thrive and live independently for as long as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, ATCOG can work to build an even better community for our older residents by:

- Providing minor residential repairs that may allow an older adult to remain in their home.
- Providing evidence-based programs that are proven to increase balance and prevent falls – Tai Chi for Arthritis and A Matter of Balance.
- Providing caregiver respite services to support the caregiver to stay healthy while caring for a loved one.
- Providing information and services for people on Medicare to include assistance during open enrollment.
- Providing resource information for services that may benefit the caller.
- Providing advocacy for residents in nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States has historically acknowledged the month of May as Older Americans Month.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:**

Section 1 – The ATCOG Board of Directors hereby declares the month of May 2023 to be Older Americans Month.

Section 2 – That the ATCOG Board of Directors recognize our older citizens' contributions, help create an inclusive society, and join efforts to support older Americans' choices about how they age in their communities.

Section 3 – The ATCOG Board of Directors encourages all local governments to sign a similar resolution to celebrate this month with the appropriate activities and commemorations.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**

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**Bobby Howell, President  
Board of Directors  
Ark-Tex Council of Governments**

**ATTEST:**

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## BRIEFING PAPER

### ITEM 17:

#### **CCH Eligibility Requirement for all FY2024 grant applications:**

- 1) In order for an applicant to be eligible for FY24 grant funding through the Office of the Governor-Public Safety Office (OOG/PSO), the county (or counties) in which the applicant is located must have a 90% average on both adult and juvenile criminal history dispositions to the Texas Department of Public Safety for calendar years 2017 through 2021. The disposition completeness percentage is defined as the percentage of arrest charges a county reports to DPS for which a disposition has been subsequently reported and entered into the computerized criminal history system. See percentages as of April 24, 2023, in the table below.

**This OOG/PSO requirement must be met by August 1, 2023.**

- 2) Beginning January 1, 2021, counties applying for grant awards from the Office of the Governor must commit that the county will report at least 90 percent of convictions and other dispositions ***within five business days*** to the Criminal Justice Information System at the Department of Public Safety. ***\*All ATCOG counties are in compliance with this portion of the requirement.***

<b>As of April 24, 2023</b>	Adult criminal history disposition completeness avg.	Juvenile criminal history disposition completeness avg.
Bowie	91	99
Cass	92	99
Delta	90	100
Franklin	90	100
Hopkins	96	100
Lamar	94	91
Morris	94	95
Red River	93	100
Titus	91	95

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