



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** December 13, 2021

SUBJECT: Consider Resolution No. 2021-043, approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the cities of Arlington, Fort Worth, Haltom City, and Tarrant County, for the FY2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Formula Program Award.

PRESENTER: Jimmy Perdue, Director of Public Safety

SUMMARY:

The U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance notified the Police Department that grant funds were allocated to assist in funding law enforcement programs in the City of North Richland Hills under the FY2021 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant program. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) must be approved to negotiate the sharing of the funds.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

To receive the grant funds, the Bureau of Justice Assistance has required the City of North Richland Hills, the Cities of Arlington, Fort Worth, Haltom City, and Tarrant County to approve an MOU negotiating the sharing of funds with Tarrant County. The City of Fort Worth has agreed to act as the official filing agent for the other cities and Tarrant County. The municipalities involved agreed to confer 25% of their total allocated funds to Tarrant County to satisfy the disparate certification imposed on the group by the Texas Attorney General.

Once awarded, an MOU must be approved between the City of Fort Worth and the City of North Richland Hills to facilitate effective implementation in compliance with the Department of Justice program requirements.

Under the terms of the FY2021 MOU, the City of North Richland Hills will receive \$7,765.00. The Police Department plans to use the proceeds of this grant award to purchase three (3) ALPR cameras to assist in apprehending criminals and locating fugitives. There is no requirement for a cash match under the terms of the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant program.

RECOMMENDATION:

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