

# Administrative Office of the District Courts

Harris County, Texas

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October 13, 2011

Vote of the Court:

	Yes	No	Abstain
Judge Emmett	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Lee	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Morman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Honorable Commissioners Court  
1001 Preston  
Houston, Texas 77002

Judge Emmett and Commissioners:

The Administrative Office of the District Courts of Harris County is requesting authorization to apply for a grant from the Task Force on Indigent Defense for 2012 Formula Grant in an amount to be determined.

Sincerely,



Clay Bowman

CB:lr  
Comm Ct Agenda 10/25/11

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MANAGEMENT SERVICES



# HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

Office of Budget Management 1310 Prairie, Suite 530 Houston, Texas 77002 (713) 755-3301  
Grants Coordination Section - Conveyance Form Application  Award

<b>Department Name / Number</b>	<b>DUNs</b>	<b>Grant Title</b>
HARRIS COUNTY DISTRICT COURTS - 700	Not Applicable	Indigent Defense Grant FY '12
<b>Funding Source:</b> State of Texas, Office of Court Administration: CFDA# N/A	<b>Grant Agency:</b> State of Texas, Office of Court Administration	
<b>Program Year:</b> 10 th	<b>Program Ending:</b>	
<b>Grant Begin Date:</b> 10/01/2011	<b>Grant End Date:</b>	09/30/2012
<b>Grant Org. Key:</b> N/A	<b>If applicable, Prior Year Org. Key:</b>	N/A

**Grant Description:**

The Texas Task Force on Indigent Defense was created as part of significant reforms to Texas' indigent defense system enacted in the 2001 Fair Defense Act (still commonly referred to by the bill's number, SB 7). The Task Force provides state formula grants to counties, whose costs increased from the reforms put in place by SB 7. In addition, the Task Force develops minimum quality standards for indigent defense services; monitors and assists counties in meeting those standards; and works to bring consistency, quality control and accountability to indigent defense practices in Texas.

	Total Budget	Grant Funded	County Funded
Salary & Benefits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Non-Labor	\$1,755,630.00	\$1,755,630.00	\$0.00
Sub Tot. Incremental Cost	\$1,755,630.00	\$1,755,630.00	\$0.00
Indirect Cost	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00*
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$1,755,630.00</b>	<b>\$1,755,630.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

\* under development

Full Time Equivalent Positions

Date Guidelines are Available

% of Positions Paid by Grant


Grant Submittal Deadline Date

**Grant Discussion:**

If awarded, this grant will assist the County in the continued implementation of the provisions of the Fair Defense Act (SB 7) in helping to improve indigent criminal defense services in the County by allocating grant funds for Court-appointed attorneys. The budgeted amount in this application, \$1,755,630, is based on State projections of available funding. The grantor distributes funds through a formula that sets a \$5,000 floor per grant with the remainder based on a county's percent of population, multiplied by the grantor's remaining budgeted amount for formula grants. Note: These funds are separate from those awarded to the Public Defender's Office.

**County Funded Cost Projection**

Year	Required	Discretionary
2012	-	-
2013	-	-
2014	-	-
2015	-	-
2016	-	-

Completed by :  Cadow, Eric

Date : 11/2/11

Reviewed by: 

Date : 11/2/11

**2012 Harris County Resolution  
Indigent Defense Grant Program**

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Fair Defense Act, 77th Regular Session, counties are eligible to receive grants from the Texas Indigent Defense Commission to provide improvements in indigent defense services in the county; and

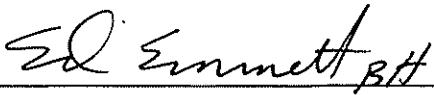
WHEREAS, this grant program will assist the county in the implementation of the provisions of the Fair Defense Act and the improvement of the indigent criminal defense services in this county; and

WHEREAS, Harris County Commissioners Court has agreed that in the event of loss or misuse of the funds, Harris County Commissioners assures that the funds will be returned in full to the Texas Indigent Defense Commission.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED and ordered that the County Judge of this county is designated as the Authorized Official to apply for, accept, decline, modify, or cancel the grant application for the Indigent Defense Formula Grant Program and all other necessary documents to accept said grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Belinda Hill is designated as the Program Director and contact person for this grant and the County Auditor is designated as the Financial Officer for this grant.


Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of NOV 08 2011, 2011.

  
Ed Emmett  
County Judge

Attest:  
  
County Clerk **STAN STANART**

**Internet Submission Form**

After submitting the formula grant application on-line, the following Internet submission confirmation number was received #201210120111007. This grant application submission was in accordance with the Commissioners Court Resolution above.

  
Ed Emmett  
County Judge

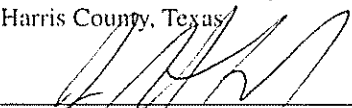
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ATTEST: NOV 10 2011  
STAN STANART, County Clerk  
Harris County, Texas

  
Deputy  
**JAMES E. HASTINGS, JR.**

