

Date: February 3rd, 2026

From: Captain Adam Jones
Panola County Sheriff's Office
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Carthage, TX, 75633

To: County Judge Rodger McLane
110 Sycamore St,
Carthage, TX 75633

Ref: Resolution for Criminal Justice Grant Funding

Dear Judge Rodger McLane and Panola County Commissioners,

I would like to request that the attached resolution be added for discussion and approval during the next Commissioner's Court meeting. This resolution is for the court's authorization to apply for grant funds through the Office of the Governor for the 2027 fiscal year. My grant project will focus on using awarded grant funds to purchase individual ballistic shields for every patrol deputy.

Sincerely,



Captain Adam Jones
Panola County Sheriff's Office

STATE OF TEXAS

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COMMISSIONER'S COURT

COUNTY OF PANOLA

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RESOLUTION # R-PCSO-01-2026

A resolution of Panola County, Texas, authorizing Captain Adam Jones of the Panola County Sheriff's Office to submit an application for grant funds through the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division for the Criminal Justice Grant Program which provides funding for activities/projects with criminal justice purposes including law enforcement.

WHEREAS the State legislators have worked together to pass the Texas House Bill 33, the "Uvalde Strong Act," and taking effect on September 1, 2025.

WHEREAS this law mandates that every campus in every school district must have a ballistic shield available for first responders to utilize during an active shooter incident.

WHEREAS the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division, has offered funding through the Criminal Justice Grant program, which would allow selected agencies to use these funds for law enforcement purchases, including the purchase of ballistic shields.

WHEREAS, the Panola County Commissioner's Court finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Panola County, Texas that the *Ballistic Shields for Defense Against Active Shooters Project* be operated for the year 2027; and

WHEREAS, Panola County Commissioner's Court agrees to provide applicable matching funds for the said project as required by the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Grant Program grant application; and

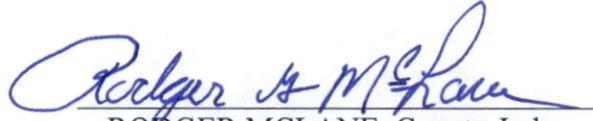
WHEREAS, Panola County Commissioner's Court agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, the Panola County Commissioner's Court assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

WHEREAS, Panola County Commissioner's Court designates Rodger McLane, Panola County Judge, as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

WHEREAS, Panola County Commissioner's Court designates Jennifer Stacy, Panola County Auditor, as the grantee's financial officer. The financial officer is given the power to submit financial and/or programmatic reports or alter a grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

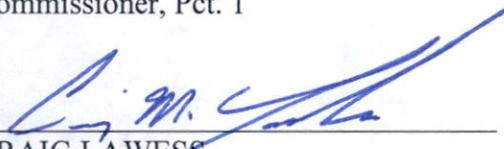
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Panola County Commissioner's Court approves submission of the grant application for the *Ballistic Shields for Defense Against Active Shooters Project* to the Office of the Governor.

PASSED AND APPROVED by Panola County Commissioners' Court on the 10th day of February 2026.


RODGER MCLANE, County Judge


BILLY ALEXANDER,
Commissioner, Pct. 1


DAVID COLE,
Commissioner, Pct. 2


CRAIG LAWESS
Commissioner, Pct. 3


DALE LAGRONE
Commissioner, Pct. 4

Grant Number: 5825101

