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Judge Neal

From: Bryan Wilson [<mailto:BWilson@tidc.texas.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, December 18, 2013 12:26 PM
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Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals
The Honorable Samuel L. Neal, Jr.
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Nueces County Judge

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I am pleased to inform you that the Texas Indigent Defense Commission has awarded **Nueces County** a **Formula Grant** in the amount of **\$527,099**. The **Statement of Grant Award FY14 Formula Grant** is attached. No signature is required.

Members Appointed by Governor:

Honorable Jon Burrows
Mr. Tom Hase
Mr. Anthony Odiorne
Honorable Olen Underwood
Honorable B. Glen Whitey

Executive Director:
Janice

This year the award will come in two distinct portions. The first payment will be from the release of funds by the 83rd Legislature. In the last biennium, the 82nd Legislature held back part of the funds collected for indigent defense to help balance the state budget. Thanks to the combined efforts of state leadership, county officials, Commission staff, and many others, this \$15 million is now released back to the Commission. It will be sent out to Texas counties in a one-time special payment, in the amount of **\$213,689** for your county. **Please do not budget this special payment amount in future years.** The regular quarterly payments will follow the special payment.

The Commission works together with counties to promote innovation and improvement in indigent defense systems statewide. On behalf of the Commission, I thank Nueces County for its efforts in these areas. If you have any questions or need clarification on the information contained in this letter, please call Bryan Wilson, Grants Administrator at the Commission office, toll free in Texas at (866) 499-0656.

Sincerely,

Sharon Keller

Chair, Texas Indigent Defense Commission
Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals

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FY14 Formula Grant

Date Issued: December 18, 2013
Grant Number: 212-14-178
Grantee Name: Nueces County
Program Title: Formula Grant Program
Grant Period: 10/01/2013-9/30/2014
Estimated TOTAL Grant Award Amount: \$527,099

The Texas Indigent Defense Commission (Commission) has awarded the above-referenced grant for indigent defense services. Formula Grants are provided by the Commission to meet its statutory mandates and to promote Texas counties' compliance with standards adopted by the Commission.

Grant Calculation

- The sum of \$5000 plus;
- A calculation applied to the funds budgeted for FY2014 formula grants by the Commission based:
 - 50 percent on the County's percent of state population; and
 - 50 percent on the County's percent of statewide FY2013 direct indigent defense expenditures (as defined in Title 1, Part 8, Texas Administrative Code Sec. 173.202(1)-(3)):
 - less discretionary funds provided by the Commission for expenditures defined in Title 1, Part 8, Texas Administrative Code Sec. 173.202(1)-(3)
 - less the reimbursed costs of operating a regional program
 - The baseline requirements contained in Section E of the Request for Applications do not apply to counties with a 2000 Census population of less than 10,000 but do apply to all other counties.
- The County shall not receive more in funds than what was actually spent by the county in the prior year.
- ***Note: A special one-time portion of the total grant award of: \$213,689 will be distributed in advance of the County's regular quarterly formula grant payments of: \$78,353. This special one-time payment is directly attributable to release of indigent defense funds by the 83rd Legislature. During the last biennium, the 82nd Legislature held back part of the funds collected for indigent defense to help balance the state budget. This one-time payment to your County reflects your portion of the \$15 million released to the Commission. Please do not budget this special payment amount in future years. The regular quarterly payments will follow the special payment.***

Standard Grant Conditions:

- The authorized official for the grantee accepts the grant award.
- The authorized official, financial officer, and program director, referred to below as grant officials, agree to the terms of the grant as written in the FY14 Formula Grant Program Request for Applications issued on

September 18, 2013, including the rules and documents adopted by reference in the Commission on Indigent Defense's Grant Rules in Title 1, Part 8, Chapter 173, Texas Administrative Code.

- The grant officials understand that a violation of any term of the grant may result in the Commission placing a temporary hold on grant funds, permanently deobligating all or part of the grant funds, requiring reimbursement for funds already spent, or barring the organization from receiving future grants.
- Disbursement of funds is always subject to the availability of funds.
- Any plan documents submitted to the Commission must continue to meet all grant eligibility requirements.