

AGENDA ITEM 31

Consider accepting a grant to reimburse the county up to fifty percent of the cost of bullet proof vests.

Moved: **Commissioner Boatright**

Seconded: **Judge Doerfler**

Motion: To accept a grant to reimburse the county up to fifty percent of the cost of bullet proof vests.

Vote: **5 - 0**

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Bulletproof Vest Partnership

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Overview

3 Easy Steps = Success

During Open Application Period

- Step 1** Online Registration - Provide contact and banking information.
- Step 2** Online Application - Identify the total number, type, and project of vests for the jurisdiction's eligible and participating law enforcement officers.

You must complete Steps 1 and 2 by the Application Closes Date.

DOJ Funding Decisions

The BVP program makes funding decisions immediately after the "open application period" ends. Jurisdictions are then notified via email regarding approved funding levels. ([More Information](#))

You Purchase Your Vests

Vests meeting applicable NIJ standards can be purchased through any vest distributor. ([More Information](#))

Anytime after Purchasing Your Vests

- Step 3** Online Payment Requests - Once vests are delivered, complete an online receiving report and request for payment.

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Toll 1-301-595-4595
E-mail: vests@ojp.gov

Section 2. Application > Submit Application > Successful Submission of Application for Funding for BVP Approval

You have successfully submitted your application for funding for BVP approval.

The approval process may take several weeks from the application closing date. A confirmation email has been sent to fpitcher@wilco.org. An email approval advisory will also be sent to fpitcher@wilco.org when the program approvals are completed. Additionally, you may check the status of your application by selecting option 2.2, 'Review Application', in the Jurisdiction's Handbook. Thank you for your continued patience.

For your reference, the summary data for your Application for Funding is listed below.

Successful Submission

Jurisdiction: WILLIAMSON COUNTY
Application Id: 03020378
Status/Submission Date: Sent for BVP Approval : 05/02/03

	Quantity	Application for Funding Extended Cost	Tax, S&H	Total Cost
	28	\$13,473.60	\$0.00	\$13,473.60
Maximum Allowable Funding from BVP:				\$6,736.80

* Important: You can click on the 'Print Screen' button below to keep a copy for your records.

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*approved 5-13-03
John C. Dwyer*

Section 2. Application > Review Application > Review BVP Application for Funding

Below is the current status of your application.

Jurisdiction: WILLIAMSON COUNTY
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Review BVP Application for Funding				
Applicant	Quantity	Total Cost	Date Submitted	Application Status
WILLIAMSON COUNTY	28	\$13,473.60	05/02/03	Sent for BVP Approval
Grand Totals:	28	\$13,473.60		

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Section 5. Status > Current Status > Jurisdiction Current Status

This "Status" page shows any pending actions that must be completed prior to program deadlines. It also provides you with payment(s) status for tracking your requests for approved funds. All years of the program in which you have participated are listed below.

- Red X's indicate your attention is needed in order to complete a task for action.
- Green ✓'s Indicate a task successfully completed.

Jurisdiction Current Status

Current Status

2003

Registration	✓ Registration for 2003 completed.	Update Info
Bank Verification	✓ We received your signed Bank Form on 05/02/2003.	View Details
Application	✓ Application submitted on 05/02/03	View Details

AGENDA ITEM 32

Consider approving a resolution urging the State Legislature to seek a statewide solution to the budget crisis, instead of passing the burden to counties and their ad valorem taxpayers.

Moved: **Commissioner Heiligenstein**

Seconded: **Judge Doerfler**

Motion: To approve a resolution urging the State Legislature to seek a statewide solution to the budget crisis, instead of passing the burden to counties and their ad valorem taxpayers.

Vote: **5 - 0**

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Resolution

WHEREAS the Texas House of Representatives and Texas Senate have worked diligently to overcome a state budget shortfall of \$10 billion during the current biennium cycle of the Texas Legislature; and

WHEREAS the budgets passed in late April by each chamber of the Legislature seek to address the shortfall with budget reductions throughout state programs, such as health care and criminal justice; and

WHEREAS the finalization of the state budget now moves to a legislative conference committee composed of capable Senators and Representatives; and

WHEREAS the successful operation of Texas county government is closely tied to the state budget and the effective implementation of state laws and programs; and

WHEREAS the state budget reductions to health care and criminal justice will greatly affect the counties' abilities to carry out state and federal mandates in those programs; and

WHEREAS the health care reductions will necessitate counties and their public health facilities to treat increased numbers of indigent and uninsured patients at local taxpayers' expense; and

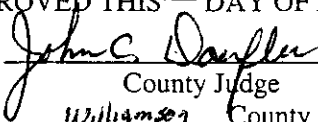
WHEREAS the criminal justice reductions will necessitate counties and their jails to house growing numbers of criminal offenders at local taxpayers' expense; and

WHEREAS county government in Texas wishes to be an effective partner in assisting the state in addressing its budget constraints; and

WHEREAS county government in Texas wishes to protect local property taxpayers from escalating ad valorem tax rates;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Williamson County Commissioners Court does hereby call upon the Texas Legislature to seek a statewide solution to the budget crisis, instead of passing the burden to counties and their ad valorem taxpayers; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Williamson County Commissioners Court does hereby urge the Texas Legislature to consider passage of state revenue increases that would more evenly spread the burden of costs across the state and better protect local ad valorem taxpayers.

APPROVED THIS ^{13TH} DAY OF MAY, 2003.

 County Judge
Williamson County

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