

Senate Bill 224 Grant Application for 2025

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Primary Agency / Grantee Legal Name: *Killeen Police Department*
Organization Type: *Law Enforcement*
Organization ORI (if applicable): *TX0140400: KILLEEN PD (MIP)*

Program Title Please enter a short description of the proposed program that can be used as the title.
Killeen Police Department Motor Vehicle and Violent Crime Prevention Initiative

Application Category (See **Request for Applications** [RFA] for category details and descriptions RFA Priority Funding Section):

- New Grant** - Only available to agencies that are not currently operating under a 2024 grant or they are a participant in an FY17 grant but desire to make application under their own agency may apply under this section. These are annual competitive grants that require a minimum cash match of 20% for the program described in the application. Awarded activities are funded on a reimbursement basis.

MVCPA Program Category (see **RFA** and TAC 43, 3 §57.14). Check all that apply.

- Law Enforcement, Detection and Apprehension
 Prosecution, Adjudication and Conviction
 Reduction of the Theft of Catalytic Converters
 Education Programs and Marketing

Taskforce Grant Participation and Coverage Area

Provide a General Description of the Participating and Coverage Area of this Grant Application

City of Killeen and agencies in Bell County

Define in the tables below the grant relationships and geographic area of the Catalytic Converter program:

Applicant will add the participating and coverage agencies from the ORI list below. If an agency is not in the ORI list, please include the agency and role in the general description above. Make sure to follow the definitions below and select an agency in the dropdown. Use the *Add as Participating Agency* or *Add as Coverage Agency* button to populate the list.

Participating Agencies are agencies that materially participate in the grant application through the exchange of funds for reimbursement and cash match. Participating agencies are defined after the grant award by interlocal/interagency agreements. Each applicant must select their own agency first. Then select agencies that will receive or provide funding and/or resources. [Note: Interlocal/interagency agreements do not need to be submitted with the application. Interlocal agreements will need to be executed prior to the first payment being made if selected for a grant. Letters of support with the application from the participating agencies are strongly recommended.]

Coverage Agencies are agencies that provided some level of coverage, assistance or support by this grant application but will not materially exchange funds as cash match or reimbursement. The coverage is not supported by an after the award with interlocal/interagency agreements. Coverage agencies as law enforcement agencies may have jurisdictional coverage agreements unrelated to the grant (Ex. City Y is within County X or vice versa). Agencies selected in this list include agencies that will be covered or where the agency indicates that their agency will coordinate or call upon the program. Letters of support with the application from the participating agencies are strongly recommended.

Select Agencies to Add	Participating Agencies	Coverage Agencies
Select Agencies Not associated with any law enforcement entity Anderson ANDERSON CO SO (AE) [TX0010000] PALESTINE PD [TX0010100] FRANKSTON PD [TX0010300] Andrews ANDREWS CO SO [TX0020000]		BELL CO SO BELTON PD HARKER HEIGHTS PD KILLEEN PD (MIP) NOLANVILLE PD TEMPLE PD (IBR) CENTRAL TEXAS COLLEGE PD MORGANS POINT RESORT PD
<input type="button" value="Add as Participating Agencies"/> <input type="button" value="Add as Coverage Agencies"/>	<input type="button" value="Delete Selected"/>	<input type="button" value="Delete Selected"/>

Other Coverage (Use if ORI not listed or explanation is necessary.):
No text provided.

National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) Used as Match (Documentation and time certification required.)

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)

Other State or Federal Agency (specify:) Fort Cavazos CID, Bell County Precinct 2 Constables Office

Resolution: Complete a Resolution and submit to local governing body for approval. [Sample Resolution](#) is found in the Request for Application or send a request for an electronic copy to grantsMVCPA@txdmv.gov. The completed and executed Resolution must be attached to this on-line application.

Grant Budget Form

MVCPA recommends that the applicant complete the total costs (MVCPA and Cash Match combined) for this program. The applicant can then enter the desired amount of Cash Match (not less than 20% per TAC Title 43, Â§57.36). The system will then calculate the correct grant and match amounts.

Budget Entry Option:

- Enter Total and let system calculate MVCPA Funds and Cash Match, Match Percentage: _____ %
- Enter MVCPA and Cash Match Amounts

Click on category name to edit budget detail for that category.

Budget Category	MVCPA Expenditures	Cash Match Expenditures	Total Expenditures	In-Kind Match
Personnel				
Fringe				
Overtime				
Professional and Contract Services				
Travel				
Equipment	\$400,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	\$0
Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses (DOE)				
Total	\$400,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	\$0
Cash Match Percentage		25.00%		

Description	Subcategory Pct Time	MVCPA Funds	Cash Match	Total	In-Kind Match
Personnel					
Total Personnel					
Fringe					
Total Fringe					
Overtime					
Total Overtime					
Professional and Contract Services					
Total Professional and Contract Services					
Travel					
Total Travel					

Description	Subcategory Pct Time	MVCPA Funds	Cash Match	Total	In-Kind Match
	Equipment				
License Plate Readers		\$400,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	\$0
Total Equipment		\$400,000	\$100,000	\$500,000	\$0

Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses (DOE)

Total Supplies and Direct Operating Expenses (DOE)

Revenue

Indicate Source of Cash and In-Kind Matches for the proposed program. Click on links to go to match detail pages for entry of data.

[Cash Match](#)

Source of Cash Match

City of Killeen	Grantee	\$100,000
Total Cash Match		\$100,000

[In-Kind Match](#)

Statistics to Support Grant Problem Statement

Reported Cases	2023	2024
Jurisdiction	Catalytic Converter Theft	Catalytic Converter Theft
Killeen Police Department	18	2
Vehicle Thefts	740	399
Burglary of Motor Vehicle	105	38

[Add/Edit Statistics](#)

Application Narrative

Grant Introduction (Executive Summary) and General Information

1.1 Briefly describe the organization and program operation. Provide a high level summary to the application and how it will affect the local community. (500 words or less)

The grant application for the SB 224 Catalytic Converter Grant represents a strategic effort by the Killeen Police Department to combat the escalating problem of motor vehicle thefts and violent crime in the local community by taking advantage of technology such as Flock cameras. The Killeen Police Department is in the process of building Bell County's first Real Time Crime Center to prevent crime by allocating appropriate resources to problem areas identified through data collection. The integration of technology and Flock cameras will allow the department to monitor areas prone to criminal activity in over seventy locations throughout the City of Killeen. The department will greatly enhance its crime-fighting posture by using real-time data to address crimes in progress and employ analytics to solve crimes captured through platforms like Fusus, Axon, and FLOCK technology. The proposed program will focus on a multifaceted approach, combining technology, community engagement, and law enforcement strategies. It will involve deploying resources to high-risk areas, collaborating with local businesses and other law enforcement agencies, and conducting outreach efforts to inform the public about preventive measures. This initiative will be supported by specialized training for officers and the integration of new surveillance and investigative tools. If awarded, this funding will enable the department to implement targeted measures such as public awareness campaigns, enhanced patrols, and specialized vehicle marking programs designed to deter thefts, facilitate recoveries, and support prosecution efforts. The anticipated outcomes of this program include a significant reduction in motor vehicle-related thefts and violent crime, leading to increased public safety and decreased financial burdens on residents and businesses. The program will foster stronger trust between the community and law enforcement by demonstrating proactive and effective crime prevention efforts. Additionally, it will enhance the overall quality of life by addressing a prevalent issue that disrupts daily activities and contributes to broader concerns about neighborhood security.

1.2 Describe the taskforce governing, organization and command structures. Include a description of the nature of support and agreements that will be in place if the grant is awarded. Provide any details unique to the taskforce organization or geographical target area. Describe whether any part of this grant will be directed to serve a specific target population (or subset of the community)?

The implementation of the SB 224 Catalytic Converter Grant for the Killeen Police Department will be structured to ensure effective coordination, command, and accountability. Below is a description of the departments governing, organizational, and command structures: Leadership and Command: The Killeen Police Department is the nineteenth largest police department and has an authorized classified staff of two hundred and sixty-five officers. The department also employs seventy civilian support staff who handle administrative functions and support the department's mission. The City of Killeen's population is 165,000 and covers fifty-

three (53) square miles. The Chief of Police will serve as the executive leader overseeing the task force, ensuring alignment with the department's strategic goals, and maintaining accountability. The Assistant Chief over the Investigations Bureau and a team of senior officers and subject-matter experts in property crime and community engagement will form the command tier, guiding program activities, enforcing protocols, and handling inter-agency collaboration. Operational Units will consist of: Special Investigations Division: This team will focus on monitoring, tracing, and investigating motor vehicle theft and violent crime cases. They will work with specialized crime analysts to identify patterns and hotspots. Community Engagement Unit: This unit will manage public awareness efforts and coordinate educational workshops and vehicle marking events. Patrol Division: Officers will conduct targeted patrols and operations in high-theft areas, responding to real-time theft reports and engaging in deterrence measures. Criminal Intelligence Unit: This unit will gather information related to motor vehicle thefts and violent crime to assist Division Commanders in formulating plans of action to address issues identified by data analytics. The Assistant Chief of the Investigations Bureau will seek advisory support from state-level criminal justice bodies and, where applicable, federal agencies involved in combating organized property crimes. This relationship will help in leveraging larger networks for intelligence and resource support. Unique Aspects of KPD approach to the use of technology: 1. Data-Driven Approach: The use of crime analytics and predictive policing tools will be a focal point of operations, enabling the department ability to deploy resources effectively to target high-risk areas and adjust strategies based on real-time data. 2. Geographical Target Area Primary Focus Areas: The department will concentrate on areas within Killeen that have shown the highest rates of motor vehicle thefts and violent crime, including neighborhoods near major highways, commercial zones, and parking lots frequently targeted by thieves. 3. Extended Jurisdictional Reach: The task force will coordinate with surrounding jurisdictions to monitor theft trends that may cross city boundaries, supporting regional cooperation and the ability to track organized theft rings that operate across multiple locations. By establishing a well-structured and comprehensive task force with robust external agency collaboration and focused community partnerships, the Killeen Police Department aims to maximize the impact of the SB 224 Catalytic Converter Grant on reducing thefts and enhancing public safety throughout the city.

Grant Problem Statement

2.1 Provide an assessment of the Catalytic Converter Theft problem in the coverage area of this application. Include loss data consistent with the reported incident numbers above.

The issue of vehicle-related crime, including catalytic converter theft, remains a significant concern in Killeen, Texas. Based on the latest available data, the following trends have been observed: Reported Incident Data (2022 to 2024 YTD) Vehicle Theft: The number of vehicle thefts has increased notably from 499 incidents in 2022 to 740 in 2023. As of November 3, 2024, there have been 399 reported incidents, bringing the total for this period to 1,638. Burglary of Motor Vehicle: These incidents saw a slight decrease from 604 in 2022 to 589 in 2023. However, 305 cases have already been reported in 2024 year-to-date, totaling 1,498 cases over the entire period. Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts: This category, which includes catalytic converter thefts, recorded 153 cases in 2022 and dropped to 105 in 2023. As of November 3, 2024, 38 incidents have been reported, with an overall total of 296 for the period. The combined data for these categories shows an increase in vehicle-related crimes over the past three years, totaling 3,432 incidents from 2022 to November 2024 year-to-date. While there has been a decline in reported thefts of motor vehicle parts, the problem remains persistent and significantly impacts the community. The theft of catalytic converters is particularly damaging due to the high replacement costs, which can range from \$1,000 to \$3,500 per incident. This financial burden affects not only individual vehicle owners but also contributes to broader economic and social stress within the community, including potential increases in insurance rates and vehicle downtime. The Killeen Police Department's response has included enhanced patrols and community education initiatives to curb vehicle and parts theft, including catalytic converter theft. However, the data indicates that additional resources and specialized measures are needed to tackle this persistent issue effectively. The rising trend in vehicle theft and the consistent number of thefts involving motor vehicle parts underscore the importance of focused law enforcement efforts and community involvement. The allocation of resources through the SB 224 Catalytic Converter Grant would be instrumental in supporting these efforts, providing the means to implement advanced preventive measures, enhance patrol coverage, and strengthen community partnerships to reduce vehicle-related crimes and improve public safety.

Grant Goals and Activities

There are two parts to this section: 1) Functions of Proposed Program and 2) Goals Strategies and Activities (GSA). In the following boxes, describe the functions of the proposed program and then complete a fillable form called GSA.

MVCPA programs must completely describe the actions, methods and tactics that law enforcement and civilian staff will perform for each of the categories below. Describe the reliance on technology or other program elements to solve the problem statement above and goals below. Functions must be detailed and consistent with the requested budget. If a grant is awarded, funds expended towards activities not described in this section will result in the reimbursement being denied.

Part 1

3.1 Functions of the proposed program related to Catalytic Converter Theft from a motor vehicle.

The proposed program will include several key functions aimed at reducing motor thefts and violent crime. These functions will focus on prevention, enforcement, community engagement, and data-driven operations to address the issue comprehensively. Here's an outline of the program's primary functions: Theft Prevention and Deterrence Vehicle Marking and Etching Program: Launch a free or low-cost marking initiative for vehicle owners to engrave identification numbers or traceable markings on catalytic converters. This will make stolen parts easier to track and deter thieves by reducing the resale value. Awareness Campaigns: Conduct public education campaigns to inform residents about catalytic converter theft risks and preventive measures. This includes distributing information through local media, social media, and community events, especially targeting high-theft periods. High-Risk Area Patrols: Increase patrol presence in high-theft areas, such as parking lots, residential zones, and near public facilities, particularly during peak theft hours. Officers will monitor and deter suspicious activity in real-time. Investigation and Enforcement Targeted Surveillance: Deploy surveillance equipment, including cameras and automatic license plate readers (ALPR), in known high-theft areas to monitor for potential thefts and capture evidence. Collaboration with Scrap Yards: Establish partnerships and MOUs with local scrap metal dealers and yards to identify and flag potentially stolen catalytic converters, ensuring legitimate sales and aiding investigations.

Community Engagement and Partnerships Community Education Events: Host workshops and events with community groups, neighborhood associations, and auto-related businesses to spread awareness of catalytic converter theft and violent crime prevention strategies. Public-Private Partnerships: Collaborate with local businesses, such as auto repair shops and car dealerships, to support preventive measures and act as community resources for reporting thefts or suspicious activity. Volunteer Programs: Engage local volunteers, such as neighborhood watch groups, to help monitor high-theft areas and report suspicious activity, fostering a community-wide response to the issue. Data Collection and Analysis Crime Analytics and Mapping: Use data analytics to identify and monitor theft trends, hotspots, and patterns in real time. This allows for data-driven decision-making, optimizing patrol schedules, and focusing resources on high-risk areas. Incident Tracking and Reporting: Implement a tracking system for motor vehicle theft and violent crime incidents to monitor the program's effectiveness and provide regular updates. This data will also be used to identify repeat offenders and target organized crime groups. Funding and Sustainability Efforts Seek additional grants and funding opportunities to ensure the program's long-term sustainability and allow for continued education, equipment, and operational support. By implementing these functions, the proposed program will address motor vehicle thefts and violent crime from multiple angles, creating a more secure environment, reducing the financial burden on victims, and enhancing community trust in law enforcement efforts.

3.4 Functions of the proposed program related to preventing Catalytic Converter Theft

The proposed program will include several key functions aimed at reducing motor vehicle and catalytic converters, in addition to violent crime. These functions will focus on prevention, enforcement, community engagement, and data-driven operations to address the issue comprehensively. Here's an outline of the program's primary functions: Theft Prevention and Deterrence Vehicle Marking and Etching Program: Launch a free or low-cost marking initiative for vehicle owners to engrave identification numbers or traceable markings on catalytic converters. This makes stolen parts easier to track and deters thieves by reducing the resale value. Awareness Campaigns: Conduct public education campaigns to inform residents about catalytic converter theft risks and preventive measures. This includes distributing information through local media, social media, and community events, especially targeting high-theft periods. High-Risk Area Patrols: Increase patrol presence in high-theft areas, such as parking lots, residential zones, and near public facilities, particularly during peak theft hours. Officers will monitor and deter suspicious activity in real-time. Investigation and Enforcement Targeted Surveillance: Deploy surveillance equipment, including cameras and automatic license plate readers (ALPR), in known high-theft areas to monitor for potential thefts and capture evidence. Collaboration with Scrap Yards: Establish partnerships and MOUs with local scrap metal dealers and yards to identify and flag potentially stolen catalytic converters, ensuring legitimate sales and aiding investigations. 3. Community Engagement and Partnerships Community Education Events: Host workshops and events with community groups, neighborhood associations, and auto-related businesses to spread awareness of catalytic converter theft prevention strategies. Volunteer Programs: Engage local volunteers, such as neighborhood watch groups, to help monitor high-theft areas and report suspicious activity, fostering a community-wide response to the issue. Data Collection and Analysis Crime Analytics and Mapping: Use data analytics to identify and monitor theft trends, hotspots, and patterns in real time. This allows for data-driven decision-making, optimizing patrol schedules, and focusing resources on high-risk areas. By implementing these functions, the proposed program will address catalytic converter theft from multiple angles, creating a more secure environment, reducing the financial burden on victims, and enhancing community trust in law enforcement efforts.

3.6 Collaboration Effort -- Describe the taskforce method to collaborate, and not duplicate existing activities. Describe the cross boundaries regional approach to grant activity implementation. Describe how the applicant staff and jurisdiction will coordinate with other taskforces and law enforcement agencies to implement this program.

The proposed plan for addressing motor vehicle theft, catalytic converter theft, and violent crime will prioritize collaboration across agencies and jurisdictions to enhance the effectiveness of its efforts while avoiding duplication. By working closely with neighboring jurisdictions, local businesses, and community organizations, the department force will implement a coordinated, region-wide approach to maximize resources and streamline operations. Department Collaboration Method Centralized Coordination and Task Assignment: The Killeen Police Department Investigative Bureau Assistant Chief will coordinate activities, prevent overlap, and ensure alignment of efforts across all participating entities. Role-Based Responsibilities: Each agency involved will be assigned specific roles based on its unique resources and capabilities. For example, the Killeen Police Department may focus on patrols and investigations within city limits, while neighboring jurisdictions may monitor transit routes or high-risk locations outside Killeen. Regular InterAgency Meetings: Quarterly Coordination Meetings: The Killeen Police Department will host quarterly meetings with all participating agencies, including local police departments, sheriff's offices, and state law enforcement, to discuss incident data, identify any emerging theft trends, and align strategies. During these meetings, representatives from each agency will discuss resources, share intelligence, and allocate tasks to ensure comprehensive coverage without redundancy. Each agency's specialized resources, such as patrols, ALPR-equipped vehicles, or community outreach teams, will be coordinated to maximize impact. The Killeen Police Department will use a shared, secure database to store and update information across jurisdictions in real time. This platform will allow participating agencies to track incidents, monitor theft patterns, and update investigation progress collaboratively. By coordinating patrol schedules, the Killeen Police Department can provide continuous monitoring of known hotspots without duplicating patrol efforts, particularly along highways and transit routes commonly used by thieves to transport stolen catalytic converters across regions. Coordination with Other Task Forces and Law Enforcement Agencies Partnership with State and Federal Agencies: Joint Intelligence with State Task Forces: The Killeen Police Department will coordinate with Texas state law enforcement agencies to share intelligence and organized crime links. This partnership allows the Killeen Police Department to track and investigate larger networks involved in the theft and trafficking of catalytic converters. Collaboration with Other Local Task Forces: This collaborative, cross-boundary approach ensures that the catalytic converter task force avoids duplicating activities while fostering a unified regional response to theft incidents. By sharing resources, coordinating intelligence, and working closely with other task forces and law enforcement agencies, the Killeen Police Department and its partners can create a comprehensive, efficient, and regionally responsive program that effectively addresses catalytic converter theft across jurisdictional lines.

3.7 If the proposed application requests any exceptions or deviation from any general grant rules, RFA conditions or grant administrative policy, please indicate in the section below. Indicate the section of the specific issue and citation that you are asking the MVCPA to consider and the rationale for the request.

The City of Killeen does not issue resolutions until the grant is awarded and the amount is known. I am attaching an unsigned copy of the resolution to this grant application.

Part II

Goals, Strategies, and Activities

Select Goals, Strategies, and Activity Targets for the proposed program described in the application.

Click on the link above to open a new table called Goals, Strategies, and Activity. Applicants will review the statutory and optional activities. The first section is the statutory measures. Grantees may not provide targets for this section but need to review the descriptions to ensure that they understand the statutory minimum requirements associated with this grant. Applicants will then review the other items and estimate targets for only the activities that the applicant has described and plans to complete under this application.

ID	Activity	Measure	Target
Measures for Grantees. Add Target values for those that you will measure.			
1	Goal 1: Reduce the Incidence of Catalytic Converter Theft through Enforcement Strategies		
1.1	Strategy 1: Conduct Activities that Result in the Arrest, Clearance, and Recoveries of Catalytic Converter Theft		
1.1.1	Identify groups of catalytic converter theft offenders through intelligence gathering, crime analysis and the use of informants	Number of catalytic converter theft groups identified. Include gangs, cartels or other criminal enterprise with two or more members	5
1.1.2	Identify and document/record prolific Catalytic Converter Theft offenders [Prolific is defined as "linked to Catalytic Converter Theft offenses three or more times"]	Number identified/documented offenders	5
1.1.5	Conduct inspections of local businesses related to vehicle enterprise (transportation code or occupation code authorized companies such as salvage yard, repair shop, parts recycling center, used car dealership, salvage rebuilder, title service company, other).	Number of businesses inspected	6
1.1.6	Conduct bait vehicle operations that target Catalytic Converter Theft offenders	Number of bait vehicle deployments. Include Catalytic Converter Theft bait operations here.	0
1.1.8	Deploy license plate readers (LPR)	Number of times LPR deployed. Deploy: If stationary unit then total number of days or partial days unit was operable and on. Mobile unit number of days the unit was on and operable.	50
1.1.9	Respond to taskforce license plate reader (LPR) alert notifications	Number of times investigators responded to taskforce LPR alert notifications regardless of whether vehicle was located	25
1.1.12	Conduct covert operations targeting Catalytic Converter Theft offenders	Number of covert operations	0
1.1.13	Conduct warrant "round-up" operations targeting catalytic converter crime offenders, including people wanted for Catalytic Converter Theft	Number of warrant round-up operations performed Catalytic Converter Theft	4
1.1.15	Increase the recovery rate of stolen motor vehicle Catalytic Converter Theft	Report the number of Catalytic Converters recovered by taskforce	12
1.1.16	Increase the clearance rate of Catalytic Converter Theft	Report the number of Catalytic Converter Theft cases cleared	10
1.1.17	Increase the number of persons arrested for Catalytic Converter Theft	Report the number of persons arrested for Catalytic Converter Theft by taskforce	10
1.2	Strategy 2: Conduct Collaborative Efforts that Result In Reduction of Incidents of Catalytic Converter Theft		
1.2.1	Provide Agency Assists for Catalytic Converter Theft	Number of agency assists related to catalytic converter theft. Assist means responding or answering questions via phone, e-mail, or in person. Providing recommendation, guidance, strategy, support or information that other LEOs will use to resolve their cases. The assist generally does not have the direct responsibility for an investigation nor uses LEO authority. The assist helps another LEO or agency investigate cases. Analysts and civilian employees will record their assists to outside LEOs and agencies met here along with officers.	50
1.2.2	Collaborate with other units or divisions (i.e. homicide, vice,	Number of times collaborated within departments or SOs participating in taskforce related to Catalytic Converter Theft. Collaboration means physically using law	25

ID	Activity	Measure	Target
	narcotics, etc.) within the taskforce department(s) where there were crimes involving catalytic converter theft. Include all participating jurisdiction departments here.	enforcement resources, tactics and authority to perform activity on cases that draw upon or aid in the investigation intended to further the resolution of any case, identify parties to crime, identify vehicles, interview witnesses/suspects and apprehend suspects. Collaboration will include any help, recommendation, contribution or support requested from or provided to another unit or offered by the taskforce that aids in the furtherance of Catalytic Converter Theft investigations.	
1.2.3	Collaborate with all other outside LE agencies and other organizations that assist in the reduction of Catalytic Converter Theft. Include all coverage jurisdictions here	Number of times collaborated with coverage area agencies or other law enforcement agencies and organizations that assist in the reduction of Catalytic Converter Theft. Collaboration means physically using law enforcement resources, tactics and authority to perform activity on cases that draw upon or aid in the investigation intended to further the resolution of any case, identify parties to crime, identify vehicles, interview witnesses/suspects and apprehend suspects. Collaboration will include any help, recommendation, contribution or support requested from or provided to another unit or offered by the taskforce that aids in the furtherance of Catalytic Converter Theft investigations	25
1.2.5	Conduct intelligence information-sharing (Personal attendance)	Number of intelligence meetings attended (include attending as presenter, participant or attendee)	4
1.2.6	Conduct intelligence information-sharing (Written information)	Crime analysis bulletins disseminated (include information distributed to law enforcement agencies via text, e-mail, or intra-net communications)	24
1.2.7	Collaborate with other MVCPA taskforces	Number of times collaborated with other MVCPA taskforces that assist in the reduction in Catalytic Converter Theft	4
3	Goal 3: Educate/Train Citizens and Qualified Personnel in Detection and Prevention of Catalytic Converter Theft		
3.1	Strategy 1: Conduct Public Awareness Related Activities Used to Educate Citizens		
3.1.1	Conduct educational outreach events (include trade show, exhibits, booths at community events, vehicle displays, brochures, etc.)	Number of outreaches	12
3.1.2	Conduct educational presentations to the public	Number of presentations. Presentation means in person, on-line, original written document, article, or webpage.	12
3.1.4	Conduct vehicle identification initiative/event	Number of etching events. Including catalytic converters.	4
3.1.4.1	Conduct vehicle identification initiative/event	Number of Participants/Attendees Catalytic Converters Marked)	50
3.1.5	Purchase advertisements in local outlets	Number of advertisements purchased or provided complimentary for taskforce. Include all types of media purchased or provided free (social, tv, utility inserts, billboards, transportation, etc.)	0
3.1.7	Utilize social media outlets (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)	Number of postings in social media outlets	24
3.1.8	Deploy outdoor public notification signage	Number of deployments per month (if sign remains several months, count as 1 deployment per month)	0
3.1.10	Conduct media outreach, including, public service announcements, press releases, and interviews	Number of outreaches	12
3.2	Strategy 2: Conduct Law Enforcement Training Activities to Educate Officers on Recognition and Apprehension of Stolen Vehicles and Property		
3.2.1	Conduct law enforcement training (TCOLE)	Number of classes provided for TCOLE credit	2
3.2.3	Conduct vehicle crimes presentations to law enforcement agencies (non TCOLE)	Number of classes or presentations. Presentations may include electronic roll call documents, shift BOLOs and other written or presented materials based on local practices.	12

Grant Evaluation

4.1 Describe the local method and/or practice used to collect the data for reporting Goals, Strategies, and Activities and to evaluate the grant program effectiveness. Describe management and staff participation. Include descriptions of systems (forms and software) that will be used to ensure reliable and accurate data is collected and reported. Describe any other evaluation methods used in the applicant agency to determine effectiveness or cost efficiency of the program.

The Killeen Police Department will use a systematic approach to collect, manage, and evaluate data related to the goals, strategies, and activities of motor vehicle theft, catalytic converter theft prevention, and violent crime reduction. This will involve structured data collection methods, active staff participation, and the use of specific forms and evaluation techniques to ensure accuracy, reliability, and comprehensive analysis of program outcomes. Data Collection Methods and Tools Incident Tracking: Officers and patrol staff will use standardized incident reporting systems to capture motor vehicle theft-related and violent crime incidents. The reports will record details such as location, time, vehicle type, and any identifiable markings on stolen parts, enabling consistent data entry and analysis. Community outreach and education events will also have tracking forms to log attendance, demographics, and participant feedback, which will inform the effectiveness of public awareness strategies. The department's RMS will serve as the central repository for all incidents, ensuring data consistency and secure storage. Crime mapping software, such as ArcGIS or similar platforms, will be used to identify theft hotspots and track trends over time. This tool will allow the team to visualize high-risk areas and inform resource

allocation for patrols and surveillance efforts. Data from ALPR systems will be cross-referenced with captured license plate information in RMS to cross-reference with reported theft incidents, enhancing investigative capabilities and enabling quicker responses to theft patterns. The Investigations Bureau Assistant Chief will oversee data collection, ensuring that all relevant information is captured accurately and systematically. He will review reports, assess data for trends, and prepare quarterly summaries that align with the program's goals and benchmarks. Crime analysts will analyze data from RMS, ALPR, and crime mapping tools to generate reports and visualizations. This role will also involve calculating metrics related to theft reduction, response times, and incident patterns to assess program performance against stated goals. The department will measure the success of the program by evaluating: 1. Theft Reduction Rates: The primary outcome measure will be the reduction in motor vehicle thefts over the grant period. By comparing pre- and post-program implementation data, the task force can assess the program's impact. 2. Public Engagement: To gauge community engagement and awareness, metrics such as attendance at community events, distribution of educational materials, and feedback from participants will be collected. The Investigations Bureau Assistant Chief, in conjunction with the data analyst and senior staff, will conduct quarterly program reviews to assess performance against goals. These reviews will examine both quantitative data and qualitative feedback from community partners and program participants. An annual report will summarize overall program effectiveness, including successes, challenges, and recommendations for improvement. This report will also be shared with funding agencies to demonstrate accountability and transparency. By using these methods and tools, the Killeen Police Department will be able to comprehensively track, evaluate, and report on the catalytic converter theft prevention program's progress, ensuring effective data-driven decision-making and transparent reporting on the program's outcomes and cost efficiency.

4.2 Provide any other suggested measures that would better reflect the law enforcement or prevention work that the proposed program will perform. If the suggested measure fits into one of the stated goals above please indicate.

These measures provide a broader view of the program's impact, covering law enforcement actions, prevention effectiveness, and community engagement. Each suggested measure aligns with the program's stated goals of reducing theft, enhancing community awareness, and improving response efficiency. 1. Reduction in Motor Vehicle Thefts (Property Crime Goal) Measure: Track the number of motor vehicle thefts reported during the program period compared to previous years. Purpose: Motor vehicle and catalytic converter thefts are often linked to motor vehicle thefts, as criminals may target entire vehicles to strip valuable parts. Reducing thefts could contribute to a decrease in vehicle thefts as well. Tracking this metric allows the department to assess the program's broader impact on property crime. Goal Alignment: This measure aligns with the program's property crime reduction goal, showing potential overlap between catalytic converter theft and motor vehicle theft trends. 2. Linking Motor Vehicle Thefts to Violent Crime Incidents (Violent Crime Goal) Measure: Track any violent incidents, such as assaults or confrontations, that occur during motor vehicle theft attempts or related enforcement actions. Purpose: Motor vehicle theft can sometimes escalate into violent crime, particularly if a confrontation occurs. By monitoring these incidents, the department can better understand the potential for violent escalation and adjust strategies to mitigate such risks. This data can also support requests for additional resources if violence becomes an associated risk factor. Goal Alignment: This measure directly supports the goal of improving public safety by highlighting any connections between property crime and violent crime. 3. Decrease in Violent Crime Rates in High-Theft Areas (Community Safety Goal) Measure: Monitor violent crime rates in areas with high incidents of motor vehicle theft before and after program implementation. Purpose: Focusing law enforcement efforts on areas with high theft rates can have a positive secondary effect on reducing violent crime, as increased police presence and community engagement can deter a range of criminal activities. This measure helps evaluate whether the program's strategies are making these areas safer overall. Goal Alignment: This aligns with the community safety and public trust goals, showing that targeted property crime prevention efforts can benefit broader community safety. 5. Public Perception of Safety in High-Theft and High-Crime Areas (Community Trust and Safety Goal) Measure: Survey community members in high-theft and high-crime areas before and after the program to assess their perceptions of safety and trust in law enforcement. Purpose: Improving community safety and trust are key outcomes for any crime prevention program. By measuring resident perceptions, the department can evaluate the broader impact of the program on community well-being, especially if the program's success in reducing thefts indirectly lowers violent crime. Goal Alignment: This aligns with the community trust and public safety goals, showcasing the program's impact on how safe residents feel in their neighborhoods. Tracking these metrics will allow the Killeen Police Department to assess the full scope of the program's impact, demonstrating a well-rounded approach to improving public safety and community trust.

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