

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR SHARING  
OF LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS                   §  
  §  
COUNTIES OF COLLIN and TRAVIS   §**

**KNOWN ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:**

This Interlocal Agreement (the "Agreement") is made and entered into by and between Sam Houston State University, a member of the **Texas State University System**, hereinafter referred to as "**UNIVERSITY**," acting by and through its duly authorized representative, and Collin County through its Department of Homeland Security, hereinafter referred to as "**COUNTY**," acting by and through its duly authorized by the County Judge, each referred to separately as a "party" and collectively as the "parties."

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, the Texas State Legislature has authorized the formulation of interlocal cooperating agreements between and among governmental entities; and

**WHEREAS**, this Interlocal Contract is made under the authority granted by and pursuant to Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code which authorizes **UNIVERSITY** and **COUNTY** to enter into this agreement for purposes of achieving mutual governmental functions; and

**WHEREAS**, **UNIVERSITY** and **COUNTY** desire to share Law Enforcement data between each other, specifically the law enforcement data shall include data received by the University's Criminal Research Information Management and Evaluation System (commonly referred to as **CRIMES**) from participating Texas police agencies, to include but not be limited to incident reports, computer aided dispatch data, arrest records, gang records, and traffic reports, utilizing the web based North Central Texas Fusion System ("**NCTFS**"); and

**WHEREAS**, the **UNIVERSITY** and **COUNTY** further find that the performance of this contract is in the common interest of both parties via the improvement of Texas law enforcement agency investigative capabilities.

**NOW THEREFORE,**

**IN CONSIDERATION of the mutual promises and agreements contained herein, the parties do hereby agrees as follows:**

**I.**

**PURPOSE / SCOPE**

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish a timely law enforcement inter-jurisdictional information sharing program to facilitate data sharing between **CRIMES** Partner Agencies and other public safety organizations. This Agreement will provide for the following:

- UNIVERSITY and COUNTY inter-agency technology application coordination
- Inter-jurisdictional sharing of law enforcement information and related data sets pertaining to public safety
- Develop a timely operational information sharing model which will create effective and efficient data sharing and at the same time conserve UNIVERSITY and COUNTY resources
- The law enforcement data shall include data received by the University's **CRIMES** system from participating Texas police agencies, to include but not be limited to incident reports, computer aided dispatch data, arrest records, gang records, and traffic reports.
- The information shared between the parties will be handled in accordance with the "Criminal Intelligence Systems Operating Policies," 28 CFR Part 23, U.S. Executive Order 12291, which is incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Agreement
- This Agreement does not require any funding, hiring of additional personnel, property acquisition, or ancillary costs to either party

**II.**

**UNIVERSITY'S RESPONSIBILITY**

UNIVERSITY will provide COUNTY with **CRIMES** Information to the North Central Texas Fusion System via secure electronic transfer. UNIVERSITY shall have sole discretion to determine what information is provided for use with the NCTFS.

**III.**

**COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY**

COUNTY shall allow the University's **CRIMES** program to have access to the NCTFS and all related databases for all purposes incident to this Agreement, except as restricted by law, Texas Department of Public Safety, or other governing body with regulatory responsibility for compiled law enforcement records. COUNTY shall not disclose any **CRIMES** Information obtained pursuant to this Agreement unless such disclosure is required by law, rule, regulation or

court order. COUNTY shall maintain the NCTFS system and database, and shall take any and all action necessary to maintain **CRIMES** Information so as not to compromise the integrity or the security of the information being transmitted. COUNTY further agrees that if there is a breach, or a suspected breach, of the NCTFS system or any connected databases which comprise **CRIMES** Information, COUNTY shall immediately notify the UNIVERSITY of such breach and take all necessary steps to prevent any further unauthorized disclosure of **CRIMES** Information.

#### IV.

#### TERMINATION

Either party to this Agreement may terminate this Agreement on thirty (30) days written notice to the other party.

#### V.

#### IMMUNITY

It is expressly understood and agreed that in the execution of this Agreement, no party waives nor shall be deemed hereby to waive any immunity or defense that would otherwise be available to it against claims arising in the exercise of governmental powers and functions.

#### VI.

#### SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

Neither the UNIVERSITY nor COUNTY will assign, sublet, subcontract or transfer any interest in this Agreement without the written consent of the other party. No assignment, delegation of duties or subcontract under this Agreement will be effective without the written consent of the other party. It is expressly understood that the UNIVERSITY shall obtain written authorization from each potential participating **CRIMES** Partner Agency before transfer of compiled information from such agency to the COUNTY. Copies of such authorization shall be shared with the COUNTY. It is further understood that the sole purpose of this Agreement is data sharing with the North Central Texas Fusion System, and should that entity cease operation, this Agreement is null and void.

#### VII.

#### VENUE

The parties to this Agreement agree and covenant that this Agreement will be enforceable in the State of Texas; and that if legal action is necessary to enforce this Contract, venue will lie in either Collin or Travis Counties.

**VIII.**

**REMEDIES**

No right or remedy granted herein or reserved to the parties is exclusive of any other right or remedy herein by law or equity provided or permitted; but each shall be cumulative of every other right or remedy given hereunder. No covenant or condition of this Agreement may be waived without written consent of the parties. Forbearance or indulgence by either party shall not constitute a waiver of any covenant or condition to be performed pursuant to this Agreement.

**IX.**

**SEVERABILITY**

If any of the terms, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, provisions, covenants, conditions or any other part of this Agreement are for any reason held to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the remainder of the terms, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, provisions, covenants, conditions or any other part of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated.

**X.**

**APPLICABLE LAW**

This Agreement is entered into subject to the Interlocal Cooperation Act, the governing charters and or ordinances of UNIVERSITY and COUNTY, as they may be amended from time to time, and is subject to and is to be construed, governed and enforced under all applicable Texas and Federal law. Situs of this Agreement is agreed to be Collin County, Texas, for all purposes including performance and execution.

**XI.**

**ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement embodies the complete agreement of the parties hereto superseding all oral or written previous and contemporary agreements between the parties relating to matters herein; and except as otherwise provided herein, cannot be modified without written agreement of the parties.

**XII.**

**AUTHORIZATION**

The undersigned officers and/or agents are properly authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of the parties hereto and each party hereby certifies to the other that any necessary

resolutions or actions extending such authority have been duly passed and are now in full force and effect.

**XII.**

**RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES**

It is expressly understood that the employees, methods, facilities and equipment of the UNIVERSITY shall at all times be under its exclusive jurisdiction, direction and control. It is understood that the employees, methods, facilities, and equipment of the COUNTY shall at all times be under its exclusive jurisdiction, direction and control.

**XIII.**

**SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY**

The parties acknowledge that neither party has waived its sovereign immunity by entering into this Agreement.

**EXECUTED** on this the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

**Sam Houston State University**  
A Member of the Texas State University System:

**ATTEST:**

By: [Signature]  
UNIVERSITY Representative

By: [Signature]

Date: 10/5/11

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**COLLIN COUNTY:**

**ATTEST:**

By: [Signature]

By: [Signature]

Name: Keith Self

Name: Kelley Stone

Title: Collin County Judge

Title: Chief, NCT Fusion System

Date: 9/14/11