

## FY15 State Homeland Security Program - Call for Projects Application Form

Instructions: You will not be able to save your project in the middle of entering the information. Once you have submitted the form, it is saved and you will not be able to go back and make changes to the project.

One suggestion is to use the Word document. You can fill in the information you need to at your own pace and come back to the website at a later time and copy/paste the information you entered in your Word document into the online form.

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Regional Working Group: Fusion

Project Title: LinX Data Sharing Project

Check if this project is for law enforcement terrorism prevention. Yes

Check if this project supports a fusion center. Yes

Check if this project supports a NIMS Typed Resource (i.e. Team, Training, or Equipment). No

Choose the Goal, Objective, and Priority Action associated with this proposal.

Priority Action 1.1.2. Expand and enhance multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional fusion capabilities throughout the state.

Describe the project and the activities that will be implemented; include information about building or sustaining NIMS Typed Resources (i.e. Team, Training, or Equipment) as applicable. If applicable, explain how this project relates to one of the regional priorities (Interop GAP Analysis, Full Scale Exercise)

Not to exceed 1250 characters, including spaces

This project will add data from the North Central Texas Fusion Center to the Law Enforcement Information Exchange (LInX). Access to this system is free to local law enforcement agencies and this will expand the number of agencies that will have access to the NCTFC law enforcement data.

The response to the next three (3) sections should be consistent with the region's (1) Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA); (2) State Preparedness Report; and (3) Texas Homeland Security Strategic Implementation Plan.

Describe the threats and hazards that create the need for the project. Not to exceed 1250 characters, including spaces.

The spectrum of accidental, intentional, and natural hazard risks for the North Central Texas metropolitan area is very broad. For example, the Dallas-Fort Worth area is an attractive terrorist target because it is densely populated (over 6.5 million total population), has high-profile infrastructure, and serves as home to many major corporations.

The DFW THIRA contains a multiple IED scenario. This project will enable local law enforcement to access data from multiple jurisdictions, which would be beneficial during an investigation of an incident of this type.

Describe the capability gap(s) which will be addressed by the project: Not to exceed 1250 characters, including spaces

Fusion Centers undergo an annual Baseline Capabilities Assessment by DHS. This assessment evaluates each fusion center's capabilities, called Critical Operational Capabilities (COCs). These COC's are Receive, Analyze, Disseminate, and Gather. This project will support each of these COC's for the NCTFC and Dallas Fusion Center.

How will the project reduce the capability gap(s): Not to exceed 1250 characters, including spaces

COC 1 Receive: This project will increase the amount of intelligence information that local law enforcement will receive.

COC 2 Analyze: This project will increase the amount of intelligence information that fusion centers and local LE will be able to analyze.

COC 3 Disseminate: This project will increase the amount of intelligence information that fusion centers will be able to disseminate to local law enforcement.

COC 4 Gather: This project will improve the ability of fusion centers and local LE to gather locally-generated information, aggregate it, analyze it, and share it with stakeholders as appropriate.

Identify if this project focuses on building New Capabilities or sustaining Existing Capabilities.

New Capabilities

Describe existing capability levels and prior homeland security funded projects that address the identified goals/objectives and what will be in place to support the Investment prior to the use of FY 2015 funds. Not to exceed 1250 characters, including spaces

The NCTFC has received prior homeland security funded projects, including staffing for an analyst and two research specialists from FY11 and FY13 UASI funding. In addition, the NCTFC has used grant funding to build capabilities, including 78 databases in IBM Coplink, i2Analyst Notebook, and Savannah. The NCTFC 2013 Baseline Capability Assessment Score was 96.4. The National Network average score was 91.7.

Explain the long-term approach to sustaining the capabilities developed by this project.

This is a one-time cost. Ongoing maintenance of the NCTFC data and systems is paid for by Collin County.

Provide an explanation on the regional impact of this project.

The North Texas IBM Coplink Node has law enforcement data from approximately 1000 jurisdictions. This data is shared with major city police, county sheriffs, and state LE partners through 50 existing licenses. This project will allow an unlimited number of LE stakeholders to access this data for free through the Law Enforcement Information Exchange (LInX).

Enter the amount of funding for each category.

Enter decimal numbers only, no characters (dollar signs, commas), do not put N/A, only numbers.

Planning

Organization

Equipment \$30,000

Training

Exercise

M/A\*

\*Maximum allowed is 5% of award total

Total [Calculated]

**Provide a description and amount for any in-kind and/or local match for this project:**

Not to exceed 500 characters, including spaces

Amount: \$115,000 annually

Description: Collin County pays for a Senior Intelligence Analyst at a cost of approximately \$100,000 na dannual maintenance of the IBM i2 Coplink system annually for \$15,000. Total local match is \$115,000.

You must include a specific breakdown by funding category (Planning, Organization, Equipment, Training, Exercises, and M&A). Provide detailed information on exactly what the funding will be used to purchase. Include the details of your cost estimates by AEL code and jurisdiction (if applicable) within each category.

Planning: (Include AEL Codes)-Not to exceed 1500 characters, including spaces

Organization: (Include AEL Codes)-Not to exceed 1500 characters, including spaces

Equipment: (Include AEL Codes - Provide Title, estimated quantity and total cost by each AEL Code)  
Not to exceed 1500 characters, including spaces

\$30,000 13IT-00- INTL Implementation of and connectivity to network-based systems to enhance intelligence and information sharing capabilities.

Training: (Include AEL Codes)-Not to exceed 1500 characters, including spaces

Exercises: (Include AEL Codes)-Not to exceed 1500 characters, including spaces

M&A\*: (Include AEL Codes) Not to exceed 1500 characters, including spaces  
\*Maximum allowed is 5% of award total

Please select one Core Capabilities and amount of funding for it.

Intelligence and Information Sharing (Prevention Focus)

Does this Investment require new construction or renovation, retrofitting, or modification of existing structures? No

Time period for completion of project  
Choose a time period from the dropdown menu:

9-12 Months

Project Management Step involved:  
Choose only one.

[Drop down list] Initiate, Plan, Execute, Control, Close Out

List 3-5 milestones of this project, and then list the intended completion date for each milestone. Milestones should occur throughout the project.

Milestone 1: Project Management -

Intended Start Date: 05/01/2015

Intended Milestone Completion Date: 05/01/2016

Milestone 2: Project Kickoff

Intended Milestone Completion Date: 06/01/2015

Milestone 3: Data Analysis, Mapping and Conversion

Intended Milestone Completion Date: Must be in 08/01/2015

Milestone 4:

Intended Milestone Completion Date: 02/01/2016

Milestone 5: Not to exceed 300 characters, including spaces

Intended Milestone/Project Completion Date: Must be in MM/DD/YYYY format

Measuring project impact: List 2-5 specific performance outcomes/outputs that can be used to measure the success of the project (At least one outcome and one output are required per project)

Outcome 1: 100% of NCTFC Data converted to LinX schema

Outcome 2: 100% of NCTFC Data available for LE to access through LinX

Output 1: NCTFC will conduct outreach to LE stakeholders on LinX

Output 2: Not to exceed 300 characters, including spaces

Output 3: Not to exceed 300 characters, including spaces

Disclaimer: I certify, by checking this box, that the information provided in this submission is accurate. By checking this box, I am indicating that I am authorized to submit this project by my governing body. I understand any jurisdiction must meet eligibility requirements to receive funding. I also understand this project proposal serves as a request for consideration for grant funding. There is no guarantee of award by submitting this request. I understand that if this project is funded I will complete all necessary actions listed in the grant sub-recipient agreement and special terms and conditions. I also understand that any variation to an approved project must be submitted through the formal change request process. Additionally, the change must be authorized by the regional council and should a change request be denied, funds can be reallocated to another project or jurisdiction.