

## **Department of Justice (DOJ)**

# Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office)

Washington, D.C. 20531

Name and Address of Recipient: CITY OF MESQUITE

1515 N GALLOWAY AVE

City, State and Zip: MESQUITE, TX 75149

Recipient UEI: CQDHJ5L3EMJ5

Project Title: FY25 COPS Hiring Program | Award Number: 15JCOPS-25-GG-00971-UHPX

Solicitation Title: FY25 COPS Hiring Program

Federal Award Amount: \$93,750.00 Federal Award Date: 10/10/25

Awarding Agency: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services

Award Type: Initial Funding Instrument Type: Grant

Opportunity Category: D Assistance Listing:

16.068 - COPS Hiring Program

Project Period Start Date: 10/1/25 Project Period End Date: 9/30/30

Budget Period Start Date: 10/1/25 Budget Period End Date: 9/30/30

#### **Project Description:**

The FY25 COPS Hiring Program (CHP) provides funding to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire additional career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts. Anticipated outcomes of CHP awards include engagement in planned community partnerships, implementation of projects to analyze and assess problems, implementation of changes to personnel and agency management in support of community policing, and increased capacity of agency to engage in community policing activities

#### **Award Letter**

October 10, 2025

Dear Stephen Biggs,

On behalf of Attorney General Pamela Bondi, it is my pleasure to inform you the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (the COPS Office) has approved the application submitted by CITY OF MESQUITE for an award under the funding opportunity entitled 2025 FY25 COPS Hiring Program. The approved award amount is \$93,750. Review the Award Instrument below carefully and familiarize yourself with all conditions and requirements before accepting your award. The Award Instrument includes the Award Offer (Award Information, Project Information, Financial Information, and Award Conditions) and Award Acceptance. For COPS Office and OVW funding the Award Offer also includes any Other Award Documents.

Please note that award requirements include not only the conditions and limitations set forth in the Award Offer, but also compliance with assurances and certifications that relate to conduct during the period of performance for the award. These requirements encompass financial, administrative, and programmatic matters, as well as other important matters (e.g., specific restrictions on use of funds). Therefore, all key staff should receive the award conditions, the assurances and certifications, and the application as approved by the COPS Office, so that they understand the award

requirements. Information on all pertinent award requirements also must be provided to any subrecipient of the award.

Should you accept the award and then fail to comply with an award requirement, DOJ will pursue appropriate remedies for non-compliance, which may include termination of the award and/or a requirement to repay award funds.

Prior to accepting the award, your Entity Administrator must assign a Financial Manager, Grant Award Administrator, and Authorized Representative(s) in the Justice Grants System (JustGrants). The Entity Administrator will need to ensure the assigned Authorized Representative(s) is current and has the legal authority to accept awards and bind the entity to the award terms and conditions. To accept the award, the Authorized Representative(s) must accept all parts of the Award Offer in the Justice Grants System (JustGrants), including by executing the required declaration and certification, within 45 days from the award date.

To access your funds, you will need to enroll in the Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP) system, if you haven't already completed the enrollment process in ASAP. The Entity Administrator should have already received an email from ASAP to initiate this process.

Congratulations, and we look forward to working with you.

Cory D. Randolph COPS Acting Director

## Office for Civil Rights Notice for All Recipients

The Office for Civil Rights (OCR), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) enforces federal civil rights laws and other provisions that prohibit discrimination by recipients of federal financial assistance from OJP, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW).

Several civil rights laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, require recipients of federal financial assistance (recipients) to give assurances that they will comply with those laws. Taken together, these and other civil rights laws prohibit recipients from discriminating in the provision of services and employment because of race, color, national origin, religion, disability, and sex or from discriminating in the provision of services on the bases of age.

Some recipients of DOJ financial assistance have additional obligations to comply with other applicable nondiscrimination provisions like the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of religion in addition to race, color, national origin, and sex. Recipients may also have related requirements regarding the development and implementation of equal employment opportunity programs.

OCR provides technical assistance, training, and other resources to help recipients comply with civil rights obligations. Further, OCR administratively enforces civil rights laws and nondiscrimination provisions by investigating DOJ recipients that are the subject of discrimination complaints. In addition, OCR conducts compliance reviews of DOJ recipients based on regulatory criteria. These investigations and compliance reviews permit OCR to evaluate whether DOJ recipients are providing services to the public and engaging in employment practices in a nondiscriminatory manner.

For more information about OCR, your civil rights and nondiscrimination responsibilities, how to notify your employees or beneficiaries of their civil rights protections and responsibilities and how to file a complaint, as well as technical assistance, training, and other resources, please visit <a href="www.ojp.gov/program/civil-rights-office/outreach">www.ojp.gov/program/civil-rights-office/outreach</a>. If you would like OCR to assist you in fulfilling your civil rights or nondiscrimination responsibilities, please contact us at <a href="maskocr@ojp.usdoj.gov">askocr@ojp.usdoj.gov</a> or <a href="www.ojp.gov/program/civil-rights-office/about#ocr-contacts">www.ojp.gov/program/civil-rights-office/about#ocr-contacts</a>.

### **Award Information**

This award is offered subject to the conditions or limitations set forth in the Award Information, Project Information, Financial Information, and Award Conditions.

## **Recipient Information**