

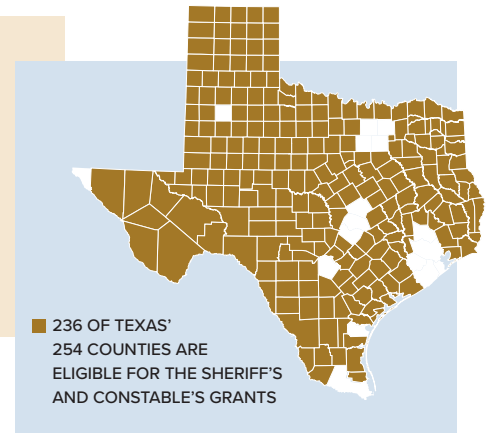
# RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANTS

## TEXAS

The Texas Legislature established the [Rural Law Enforcement Grants Program](#) to provide supplemental salary assistance to the sheriff's departments, constable's offices and district and county attorney's offices in rural areas of the state. The Legislature

appropriated **\$330 million** to fund the grant program for the 2024-25 biennium. The Texas Comptroller's office provides oversight of grant allocation, fund disbursement and compliance to grant rules.

Sheriff's offices and constable's offices in counties with populations of 300,000 or less are eligible for the grant program as are prosecutor's offices in jurisdictions with populations of 300,000 or less.



### GRANT ALLOCATIONS BY POPULATION AND QUALIFYING EXPENDITURES

#### SHERIFF'S OFFICES

GRANT AMOUNT	POPULATION REQUIREMENT
<b>\$250,000</b>	LESS THAN 10,000
<b>\$350,000</b>	10,000 OR MORE BUT LESS THAN 50,000
<b>\$500,000</b>	50,000 OR MORE BUT LESS THAN 300,000

#### QUALIFIED EXPENDITURES

Must be used to provide specified minimum salaries, give salary increases, hire additional deputies or staff, or to purchase safety equipment for the department.

#### PROSECUTOR'S OFFICES

GRANT AMOUNT	POPULATION REQUIREMENT
<b>\$100,000</b>	LESS THAN 10,000
<b>\$175,000</b>	10,000 OR MORE BUT LESS THAN 50,000
<b>\$275,000</b>	50,000 OR MORE BUT LESS THAN 300,000

#### QUALIFIED EXPENDITURES

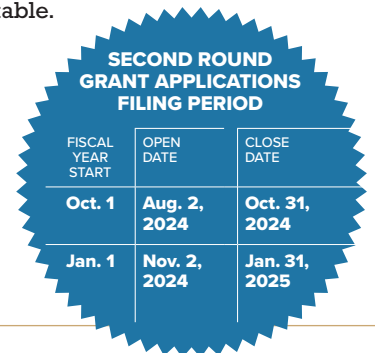
Must be used to increase the salary of assistant attorney, investigators, and victim assistance coordinators or to hire additional staff.

#### CONSTABLE'S OFFICES

GRANT AMOUNT	POPULATION REQUIREMENT
<b>Varies</b>	LESS THAN 300,000

#### QUALIFIED EXPENDITURES

Must be used to provide a minimum salary of \$45,000 to an elected constable.



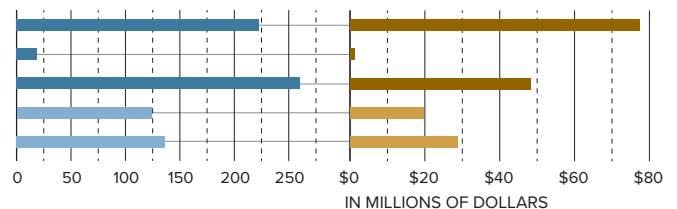
### FIRST YEAR RESULTS - 2024

At the close of the 2024 fiscal year, the Comptroller's office published the [final grant distribution](#) amounts for the first round of applications and which counties received grants. Nearly \$126 million was awarded to 502 grant recipients.

TOTAL NUMBER OF GRANTS AWARDED, 2024  
**502 GRANTS**

TOTAL GRANT AMOUNTS, 2024  
**\$125.7 MILLION**

SHERIFF'S OFFICES  
CONSTABLE'S OFFICES  
PROSECUTOR'S OFFICES  
COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICES  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICES



This is one in a series of reports the Comptroller has prepared on rural law enforcement grants authorized by Senate Bill 22 (88th Legislature, Regular Session).

For more information:

[COMPTROLLER.TEXAS.GOV/ECONOMY/ECONOMIC-DATA/RURAL](https://comptroller.texas.gov/economy/economic-data/rural)

Sources: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts; United States Census Bureau