



# **American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009**

## **City of Levelland, Texas**

**U.S. Department of Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) \$32,212**

The City of Levelland Police Department was awarded \$32,212 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance.

The funding will be used to hire a temporary police officer to pursue outstanding warrants. The funds will be used to pay for the police officer's salary, FICA, and workers compensation. The addition of the new police officer will create a new temporary job which is in line with the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act. This project will assist in making Levelland and Hockley County a safer place while at the same time increasing revenues collected from outstanding warrants. There are currently 397 outstanding warrants and a total of \$148,000 in fines that have not been collected in the City of Levelland.

This is a much needed project in the City of Levelland. Currently the Levelland Police Department does not have the resources to commit one person to pursue outstanding warrants. The Warrant Officer Project funded by the Justice Assistance Grant will allow the Levelland Police Department to commit one person to pursue outstanding warrants. This project will result with the creation of a temporary job, a safer community, and an increase in the amount of revenues collected from outstanding warrants.

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