

# INVITATION FOR BID PROPOSAL

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## **Date of Announcement: August 6, 2025**

The Coastal Bend Council of Governments (CBCOG) is inviting bids from Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) accredited training academies and approved training providers within the CBCOG region. The selected entities will be contracted to conduct CBCOG's next regional law enforcement training academy program.

## **About the Program**

For over 40 years, CBCOG has partnered with accredited academies to provide high-quality, cost-effective training to law enforcement agencies across its eleven-county, thirty-three-city region. This includes vital support for independent school districts and institutions of higher education.

This program is funded by a state grant from the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, and operates in full compliance with **TCOLE rules and the Texas Administrative Code (37 TAC Part 7)**. The primary goal is to equip law enforcement agencies in the CBCOG region with superior education, training, and professionalism to effectively protect their communities.

## **Bid Opportunities and Details**

CBCOG anticipates a two-year continuation grant, with up to **\$165,380** allocated for contracting with eligible training providers. The contract will be a **cost reimbursement** type, with a proposed grant period from **September 1, 2025, to August 31, 2027**.

- **Accredited academies** are invited to bid on delivering the Basic Peace Officer Certification (BPOC) course and continued education courses. Academies currently conducting a BPOC course may be eligible for retroactive reimbursement.
- **Individual TCOLE training providers** are invited to bid on offering continued education courses.

## **Perimeters**

- All interested parties must be in compliance with the **Texas Administrative Code (37 TAC Part 7)** and all rules established by TCOLE. Training courses should not duplicate TCOLE-approved online or distance learning courses unless they are expanded to include additional topics.
- The maximum rate for courses from a single vendor will not exceed **\$81.25 per hour**, or **\$650.00 per day**. The total contract cost should not exceed the anticipated grant amount of \$165,380. Travel expenses directly related to providing training throughout the 11-county CBCOG region may be reimbursed based on Texas Office of the Comptroller guidelines.

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## Proposal Packet Instructions

- **Obtaining Packet:** Bid packets are obtained from the Coastal Bend Council of Governments website: [Home | Coastal Bend Council of Governments](#)
- **Submission Deadline:** Proposals must be submitted by **5 PM on August 26, 2025**. Late submissions will not be considered.
- **Submission Method:** Packets must be submitted in person or via general/certified mail in a sealed envelope clearly marked "**SEALED PROPOSAL – DO NOT OPEN,**" **ATTN: Luci Rios**. Email submissions will not be accepted.
- Mailing/Delivery Address:

Coastal Bend Council of Governments Criminal Justice Training Program

Attn: Luci Rios

2910 Leopard Street

Corpus Christi, TX 78408
- **Public Opening:** All proposals received by the deadline will be publicly opened and read on **August 29, 2025, at 1:30 PM**, at the Coastal Bend Council of Governments, 2910 Leopard Street, Corpus Christi, TX 78408.
- **Contract Award:** Contracts will be awarded based on the best value to the responsible bidder(s) whose proposal is deemed most advantageous to the program.
- **Additional Information:** Further information will be provided to potential contractors contingent upon CBCOG receiving the anticipated grant funding.

For questions regarding this invitation, please contact Luci Rios at [lucia@coastalbendcog.org](mailto:lucia@coastalbendcog.org) or **361-232-5334**.