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GUILLEN HELPS SAN DIEGO POLICE WIN PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT

The City of San Diego Police Department Was Awarded An \$18,500 Border Star Grant

AUSTIN - Representative Ryan Guillen (D- Rural South Texas) is pleased to congratulate the City of San Diego and its police department on being awarded an \$18,500 Border Star Grant to improve their ability to keep the city safe.

"Making sure our communities are safe is one of my top priorities, and I'm glad this grant program is helping our local communities," said Guillen.

The Border Star Grant is a part of the larger ongoing effort to reduce crime in Texas's border region. Initially created in the 2007 state budget, which Guillen supported, the grant programs give out about \$5,000,000 a year.

The grant awarded to The City of San Diego Police Department will provide them with \$18,500 to help fund more patrols by its officers, giving the department more resources to help keep the community safe.

Earlier this year, a group of local government and EMC Strategy Group officials from San Diego visited the Capitol to meet with Guillen as well as Sen. Hinojosa and Sen. Zaffirini to encourage them to increase public safety grant funding for smaller communities. Guillen pushed for more funding for small community public safety in the budget process, and new funding will become available in January 2018.

"I'm glad the City of San Diego was awarded this grant. It gives the Police Department the ability to have more officers on patrol and keep residents and visitors safer," said Guillen.

Serving ten rural South Texas counties in the Texas House of Representatives, Ryan Guillen is known for his hard work, fierce independence, and relentless efforts for South Texas families. Recently, Capitol Inside called him a "House Bill Machine," and a "one-person assembly line for legislation." Since elected, few other legislators have passed more bills than Guillen. Sign up for updates at ryanguillen.com, facebook.com/representative.guillen, and twitter.com/ryanguillen

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