

**North Central Texas Council of Governments  
Criminal Justice Program**

**FY20 Scoring Factors for All Projects  
Total Points = 100**

- 1. PROBLEM STATEMENT - eGrants (up to 10 points):** *Provide a description of the nature and scope of the problem in your service area that this proposed project will address. This must be a statement of the core, underlying problem. Include aspects of the problem relevant to the project's approach and activities. A lack of resources is not, in and of itself, a problem.*
- 2. SUPPORTING DATA – Addendum (up to 10 points):** *Provide at least three years of supporting data - including baseline statistics and the sources of your data - to provide evidence that the problem exists, its size and scope, and its effects on the target population. Do not use statewide data for a local problem or national data for a statewide problem.*
- 3. TARGET GROUP – eGrants (up to 5 points):** *Describe the population that this project plans to provide or support direct services to. Include the size and basic demographics for the people served, as well as challenges they face, and any other information relevant to the project. Be specific and use supporting data. Applicants should demonstrate that they understand their target group well enough to effectively carry out the project.*
- 4. PROJECT APPROACH & ACTIVITIES – eGrants (up to 20 points):** *Provide core information needed to understand the methodologies, approaches, and activities to be employed by the project. Provide a rationale for choosing this particular model. Any therapy or licensed counseling provided should include a description of the modality/framework used. The reader should also be able to understand how the approach and activities tie to solving the stated problem.*
- 5. CAPACITY & CAPABILITIES – eGrants/Addendum (up to 5 points):** *Describe your agency's background as well as organizational and staff capabilities and qualifications to carry out this specific project using the approaches and activities. Provide a brief summary of any collaborative partnerships created for the purpose of the proposed project (also complete Collaboration table in NCTCOG Addendum). If your agency indicates on the Activities section that licensed or certified personnel will perform work, list each license or certification and upload a list of each person and their relevant corresponding license or certification. Empty positions requiring a license or certification should be noted.*
- 6. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – eGrants (up to 20 points):** *Provide an understanding of how your agency will measure success for this project. What are the project's goals and objectives and what are the project's performance measures, both output and outcome? How do these goals, objectives, and measures tie to the problem that the project seeks to solve? What is the current baseline information for these measures as well as the goals for the project period? Describe how your agency will collect, track, and maintain the relevant data needed to determine if the project is achieving these standards throughout the grant period. Describe any methods, mechanisms, or tools*

*used to generate measures. Applicants should give confidence that the data they collect will be accurate, maintained, and analyzed in a manner that enables them to adapt to changing assessments of the problem or project performance, and to evaluate and document the effectiveness of the project.*

- 7. EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES – eGrants (up to 5 points):** *Justify the selection of the methods, approach, and activities. Applicants should preferably be able to cite the research, evidence, or published best/promising-practices model used as the basis for the project’s design. In case of an equipment or technology grant, what evidence or best/promising practices model is there to support the purchase? Wherever possible, provide at least one citation or link. If the project approach and activities are not based on existing evidence, the applicant must describe why they believe the method to be promising.*
- 8. BUDGET – eGrants (up to 10 points):** *Budget items should be eligible, reasonable, essential, and correlate to the goal and activities of the project. All budget line items must have sufficient detail to justify the item to be included in the project.*
- 9. SUSTAINABILITY – Addendum: (up to 5 points):** *Reviewers will assign up to 5 points based on how well the application demonstrates sustainability. For equipment or technology grants, describe agency’s plan to maintain equipment beyond the grant period (i.e., routine maintenance, repairs, upgrades, etc.).*
- 10. LOCAL PRIORITIES (Up to 10 points):** *See handout entitled “FY20 Local Priorities”. Reviewers will rate the degree to which the project addresses a local priority(ies).*