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DATE: 01/22/2019

SUBJECT: RECEIVE AND FILE THE AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FISCAL YEAR 2018 CHAPTER 59 ASSET FORFEITURE REPORT BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

#### **COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED:**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court receive and file the Auditor's Report for the Sheriff's Office Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report by Law Enforcement Agency.

## **BACKGROUND:**

As required by Chapter 59 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the Auditor's Office reviewed the FY 2018 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report by Law Enforcement Agency prepared by the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office. The report is due to the Office of the Attorney General sixty (60) days after the close of the County's fiscal year unless a fifteen (15) day extension is granted. The report was remitted on time.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

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SUBMITTED BY:	Auditor's Office	PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:	S. Renee Tidwell



## TARRANT COUNTY

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January 2, 2019

The Honorable Bill Waybourn, Tarrant County Sheriff The Honorable District Judges of Tarrant County The Honorable Tarrant County Commissioners Court

Re: Auditor's Report – FY2018 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report by Law Enforcement Agency

#### **SUMMARY**

As required by Chapter 59 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the Auditor's Office reviewed the FY2018 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report by Law Enforcement Agency prepared by the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office. Based on the information recorded in the Sheriff's forfeiture database, the Criminal District Attorney's database, and our inspection of relevant documents and other supporting materials, we believe that the amounts presented in the report are reasonable and contain the information required under Article 59.06 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.

Due to the volume of Chapter 59 seizures and forfeitures, it was not possible for the auditor to inspect all relevant documents and supporting materials. Therefore, the auditor selected a sample of transactions for detailed testing. The Sheriff's Office reported expenditures totaling \$320,917 from state forfeiture funds. Attachment A lists the type and purpose of the expenditures. The Chapter 59 report was remitted to the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) on time.

During our review, we observed that CNet improved their procedures related to the recording, monitoring, and reporting of seized and forfeited assets. However, we observed that funds seized by the Sheriff's Office were not always deposited into the county treasury on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> business day as required by the Code of Criminal Procedure, Art. 103.004. There were 33 cash seizures made during FY2018 whereby 28 seizures, totaling \$62,573, were not deposited into the county treasury within the statutory timeline and as many as 18 business days after the receipt of the funds. The current practice is to hold the currency until the Criminal District Attorney files an asset forfeiture lawsuit. Money is vulnerable to loss and theft until it is deposited into the county treasury. To ensure compliance with the Code of Criminal Procedures and to reduce the risk of loss, we recommend that the Sheriff's Office deposit any seized funds with the Auditor's Office, the county treasury, no later than the 5<sup>th</sup> day after receipt of the funds.

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### BACKGROUND AND METHODOLOGY

The Sheriff's Office has three law enforcement areas that perform seizures and subsequently receive forfeitures: Combined Narcotics Enforcement Task Force (CNet), Vehicle Emissions, and Human Trafficking. CNet cases are handled through a taskforce that is funded through forfeiture proceeds along with budgeted general fund revenue. During FY2018, CNet received and expended \$55,116 in forfeiture funds, all of which was allocated to rental expense, and \$102,149 in general fund money which was primarily expended to overhead expenses such as utilities, fuel, and vehicle maintenance. The Emissions Enforcement Task Force (EETF) received \$5,943 in forfeiture funds and spent \$153,408 in forfeiture funds during the fiscal year. The Sheriff's Office received an additional \$25,137 in forfeiture funds and spent \$112,393. The Human Trafficking task force did not seize any funds during the fiscal year.

The report is due to the OAG 60 days after the close of the County's fiscal year, or November 30, unless a 15-day extension is granted. The Auditor's Office requested a 15-day extension in order to complete our review. The County Auditor signed the report and the Sheriff's Office remitted the report to the OAG on December 12, 2018.

The Chapter 59 report focuses on two separate elements of the asset forfeiture process: financial activity and case activity.

## Financial Activity

Sections I and II includes monies under the control and custody of the Sheriff's Office. The financial transactions included in the report were obtained from the County's general ledger. We reviewed selected cash transactions to supporting documentation such as court orders, seizure reports, and receipts. We also traced cash transactions under the control of the Sheriff's Office to the County's general ledger and found no exceptions.

Section VI of the report includes expenditures made by the Sheriff's Office for law enforcement activities. We reconciled these amounts to the County's general ledger. We also selected a sample of expenditures and reviewed the supporting documentation. The expenditures appeared to be for law enforcement purposes as required by Chapter 59.06 guidelines. We also selected a sample of assets purchased with forfeiture funds and performed a physical inspection of the assets without exception.

#### Case Activity

Sections III, IV and V of the report include non-cash assets, such as motor vehicles, weapons, and other property (TV's, computers, etc.). The Sheriff's Office implemented a new database of seizures and forfeitures for fiscal year 2018, streamlining the reconciliation of assets with the Criminal District Attorney's database. On a test basis, we traced the non-cash assets recorded in the Sheriff's database to supporting documentation such as court orders and release documents. We also selected a sample of assets under the control of the Sheriff's Office and performed a physical inspection and found no exceptions.

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#### **CLOSING REMARKS**

We appreciate the cooperation of the Sheriff's Office to facilitate the completion of this review.

Sincerely.

S. Kenee Trawell, CPA County Auditor

Attachments: Attachment A – FY2018 Forfeiture Fund Expenditures

FY2018 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report by Law Enforcement Agency

Management's response

Distribution: David McClelland, Chief of Staff

Mike Simonds, Senior Chief Deputy Monty Gage, Commander - EETF Calvin Bond, Commander - CNET Scott Grazer, Accounting Manager

Audit Team: Kim Trussell, Audit Manager

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# Attachment A Sheriff's Office Attorney's Office FY2018 Forfeiture Fund Expenditures

Category	Vendor Name	Purpose	Amount
Lease payments	Mercantile Partners	TECH CENTER 1	10,356.31
		Tech Center I Dec 2017 Rent	10,356.31
		January 2018 Rent/Cam	10,356.31
		TECH CENTER 1 February 2018 Rent	10,356.31
		TECH CENTER 1 March 2018 Rent	10,638.31
		TECH CENTER 1 APR 2018 RENT	10,450.31
		Amount paid using General Funds	(7,397.78)
Total Lease payments			55,116.08
Travel: Meals & Lodging	M Gage	Per Diem/Houston	220.00
	M Gage	TRAVEL REIMB/HOUSTON, TX 11/12/17-11/16/17	108.56
	ALH Properties No. Fourteen	LODGING, M Gage, HOUSTON, TX 11/12/17-11/17/17	1,772.84
	Consolidated Cash Acct	PROGRAM INCOME Sheriff Travel Reimb	(354.60)
Total Travel: Meals & Lodging			1,746.80
Equipment: Vehicles	Utility One Source LP	Ford F550/Telescopic Aerial Lift Bucket Truck	122,524.00
Total Equipment: Vehicles			122,524.00
Investigative Costs: Other	Nesco Sales & Rentals	Bucket TRUCK, FORD F-550, Terex LT40	2,813.00
	Nesco Sales & Rentals	Bucket TRUCK, FORD F-550, Terex LT40	2,813.00
	Nesco Sales & Rentals	Return freight fee on rental bucket truck	900.00
Total Investigative Costs: Other			6,526.00
Equipment: Other	Allied Electronics	Truck Connector Kit without wire	300.00
	Defender Supply LLC	4 Weapon Vaults for EETF	11,788.00
Total Equipment: Other			12,088.00
Equipment: Computers	Southern Computer Warehouse	Audio Video Data Storage Equipment	7,512.10
	GTS Technology Solutions	WeBoost 4G-X Cell Phone Booster Kit	699.65
	Mouser Electronics	Audio-Visual equipmement for EETF	1,436.03
Total Equipment: Computers			9,647.78
Miscellaneous Fees: Other	Defender Supply LLC	Shipping for Weapon Vaults	876.00
Total Miscellaneous Fees: Other			876.00
Salaries		Salary for one employee	40,760.77
Total Salaries			40,760.77
Equipment: Other	Lowe's	Refrigerator - Frigidaire 25.5-cu ft for CID/IAD	749.00
	B&H Photo Video	Crime for training videos	1,215.62
	Adorama Inc	Crime scene camera and equipment for training videos and org briefing	3,529.12
	Clearlight Electronics	Camera for CID/Intel	164.96
	Defender Supply LLC	Setina Dual T-Rail GUN RACKS- Warrants	1,172.24
	Axon Enterprise Inc	Tasers, warranties, and related equipment- Warrants	19,808.00
	Axon Enterprise Inc	Tasers, and related training equipment- Mental Health	9,791.00
	Digital Resources Inc	Audio-visual equipment- CNET briefing room	6,204.69
Total Equipment: Other			42,634.63
Equipment: Furniture	W A Krapf Inc	Whiteboards - Ghost gridded, Main Conference Room	4,020.33
Total Equipment: Furniture			4,020.33
Investigative Costs: Other	Cardinal Towing Inc	TOW BILL 2011 SUZHCI JMZ-7539	264.00
Total Investigative Costs: Other			264.00
Investigative Costs: Buy Money	Tarrant County Sheriff	Confidential Fund Replenishment 4-12-18	11,176.22
	Tarrant County Sheriff	Confidential Fund Replenishment 8-2-18	8,770.00
	Tarrant County Sheriff	Confidential Fund Replenishment 10-3-2018	650.00
Total Investigative Costs: Buy Money			20,596.22
Training: Fees	Understanding the Threat	REGISTRATION (D Grantham), DALLAS, TX 01/16/18-01/18/18	3,000.00
Total Training: Fees			3,000.00
Equipment: Computers	GTS Technology Solutions	Dell 5480 XCTO: 210-AKKH for Officer in DEA Task Force	1,116.12
Total Computers			1,116.12

Grand Total 320,916.73
Total Expenditures on Chapter 59 report 320,917.00
Difference due to Rounding (0.27)

## FY 2018 CHAPTER 59 ASSET FORFEITURE REPORT BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

AGENCY								
Agency Name: Tarra	int Cour	nty Sheriff's Departm	ent					
Agency Mailing Addr		Taylor Street, Plaza	Bldg., 7 <sup>th</sup> floor					
	101	rt Worth, TX 76196						
Phone Number: 817-	884-31	10			·			
County(ies): Tarrant		10						
Email Address:			<del></del>			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Reporting Period: 10/	/01/2017	00/30/2019						
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A)	(Special Control	SEIZED FUN	IDS PURSUANT	TO CHAPTER 59:				
B)		Beginning bala				\$ 0		
			reporting period:					
2.		Amount seized	and retained in you	ir agency's custody		\$ 0		
3.		Amount seized	and transferred to	he District Attorney	pending forfeiture	\$ 69,999.00		
C) 3.		Total Seizure				\$ 69,999.00		
D)		Americal Earned	on Seized Funds D  ed to Defendants/R	uring Reporting Perio	a:	\$ 0		
E)						\$ 0		
F) F)	*		red to forfeiture ac			\$ 0		
G)   -		Other reconcilia	tion items (must pr	ovide detail on additi	onal sheet):	\$ 0		
	Taylor server	Ending Balance				\$ 0		
II.		FORFEITED	FUNDS AND O	THER COURT AV	VARDS PURSUAI	T C		
		TO	SECTOR CARROL	24.7152-95-3738	Pase Waster Sale			
A)		Beginning bala				\$ 515,217.00		
B)		Amount forfeite	d to and received b	y reporting agency (in	cluding interest)	\$ 56,452.00		
		during reporting	period:	eriod:				
(C)		Interest earned o	on forteited funds d	uring reporting period	:	\$ 4,550.00 \$ 0		
			nount awarded pursuant to 59,022;					
E) F)			nount awarded pursuant to 59.023:					
G) -	~	Proceeds receive	Proceeds received by your agency from sale of forfeited property:  Amount returned to crime victims:  Other reconciliation items (must provide detail on additional sheet):					
H)								
[i)		Other reconcilia						
J)		I otal expenditur	tal expenditures of forfeited funds during reporting period: ding balance:					
						\$ 280,496.00		
III. OTHER PROPER						Parities (For Alex) ex		
Please note – this shou		MOTOR VEHICLES		COMPUTERS	FIREARMS	OTHER		
a number, not a curr	ency	(include cars,	PROPERTY	(include computer	(include only	(include description)		
amount. Example 4				and attached system	firearms seized for	- ,		
seized, 3 cars forfeited	and			components, such as				
0 cars put into use			item)	printers and	Chapter 59. Do			
				monitors as one	not include			
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					of under Chapter			
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Forfeited to Agency	y:	4	0	2	22	62 - Tools/Dynameters		
						6 - Analyzers/Electronics		
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Defendants/Responder	nts:	6	0	0	1	0 - Tools/Dynameters 8 - Analyzers/Electronics		
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(A)	Mo	otor Vehicles:	
B)	Re	al Property:	#0
(C)	Co	mputers:	# 0
D)		earms;	# 0
E)	Oti		# 0
		FEITED PROPERTY TRANSFERRED OR LOANED TO ANOTHER AGENCY	# 0
A)	Mo	otor Vehicles;	
		al Property:	# 0
ci		mputers;	# 0
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E)	Oth		# 0
			# 0
(A)	ĺ	PENDITURES SALARIES	N. 72.28-24.39-25.
1.7	1.	Increase of salary, expense or allowance for employees (salary supplements):	
1	2.	Salary budgeted solely from forfeited funds:	\$ 40,761.00
	3.	Number of employees paid using forfeiture funds:	\$0
-	4.	TOTAL SALARIES PAID OUT OF CHAPTER 59 FUNDS:	#1
B)	7.	OVERTIME OVERTIME	\$ 40,761.00
10)	1.		
-	2.	For employees budgeted by governing body:	\$0
<u> </u>	3.	For employees budgeted solely out of forfeiture funds:	\$0
-	4.	Number of employees paid using forfeiture funds:	# 0
(C)	4,	TOTAL OVERTIME PAID OUT OF CHAPTER 59 FUNDS	\$0
10)	-,	EQUIPMENT	
-	1. 2.	Vehicles:	\$ 122,524.00
		Computers:	\$ 10,764.00
<u> </u>	3.	Firearms, protective body armor, personal equipment:	\$0
	4.	Furniture:	\$ 4,020.00
	5.	Software:	\$0
	6.	Maintenance Costs:	\$0
-		Uniforms:	\$0
		K9 Related Costs:	\$0
	9.	Other (must provide detail on additional sheet):	\$ 54,723.00 <sup>1</sup>
F	10.	TOTAL EQUIPMENT PURCHASED WITH CHAPTER 59 FUNDS:	\$ 192,031.00
D)	<del>,  </del>	SUPPLIES	
$\vdash \vdash$		Office supplies:	\$0
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	4.	Other (must provide detail on additional sheet)	\$0
<del>     </del>	5.	TOTAL SUPPLIES PURCHASED WITH CHAPTER 59 FUNDS:	\$0
E)		TRAVEL	
إحسا	1.	IN STATE TRAVEL	
<b>  </b>		Transportation:	\$0
		Meals & lodging:	\$ 1,747.00
igsquare		Mileage:	\$0
<b> </b>	ld	Incidental expenses:	\$0
LL	1e	Total In State Travel	\$ 1,747.00
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1	\$ 165.00	Covert Camera Intel
	6,205.00	Audio-Visual equipment for CNET Briefing Room
	1,216.00	Canon EOS 80D DSLR and Software
	2,279.00	Video Equipment
	9,791.00	Training Equipment - CEW for Deputies in the Mental Health Unit
	749.00	Refrigerator - Frigidaire 25.5-cu ft
	1,250.00	CANON EOS 80D w/18-135mm
	19,808.00	CEW for Deputies in the Fugitive Warrants Unit.
	1,172.00	Setina Dual T-Rail GUN RACK
	11,788.00	Truck Storage Vault
	300.00	Truck light connector kit
	\$54,723.00	TOTAL - Other Equipment Expenditures

	2.	OUT OF STATE TRAVEL	~	
		Transportation:		
-		Meals & lodging:	\$ 0	
<b> </b>	20	Mileage:	\$0	
-		Incidental expenses:	\$0	
$\vdash$	120	Tribal Oile Steel Tribal	\$0	
	3	Total Out of State Travel	\$ 0	
F)	13	TOTAL TRAVEL PAID OUT OF CHAPTER 59 FUNDS:	\$	1,747.00
F)	1.			
-	2.	Fees (conferences, seminars):	\$	3,000.00
-		Materials (books, cds, videos, etc.):	\$0	
<u> </u>	3.	Other (must provide detail on additional sheet):	\$0	
-	4.	TOTAL TRAINING PAID OUT OF CHAPTER 59 FUNDS:	\$	3,000.00
<u>G)</u>	<b>!</b>	INVESTIGATIVE COSTS	1	
	1.	Informant costs:	\$0	
<u> </u>	2.	Buy money:	\$	20,596.00
	3.	Lab expenses:	\$0	
	4.	Other (must provide detail on additional sheet):	\$	6,790.00 <sup>2</sup>
	5.	TOTAL INVESTIGATIVE COSTS PAID OUT OF CHAPTER 59 FUNDS:	S	27,386.00
H).		PREVENTION / TREATMENT PROGRAMS / FINANCIAL	1	27,000,00
		ASSISTANCE / DONATIONS		
	1.	Total prevention/treatment programs (pursuant to articles 59.06 (d-3(6), (h), (j)):	\$0	
	2.	I of all financial assistance (pursuant to articles 59.06 (n) and (o)):	\$0	
	3.	Total donations (pursuant to Articles 59.06 (d-2)):	\$0	
	4.	Total scholarships to children of officers killed in the line of duty (pursuant to orticle	\$0	
		59.U6(r)):	••	
	5.	TOTAL PREVENTION / TREATMENT PROGRAMS / FINANCIAL	-:-	
		ASSISTANCE / DONATIONS (PURSUANT TO ARTICLES 59.06 (d-3(6)), (h),	***	
		(j), (n), (o), (d-2)(r)):	\$0	
I)		FACILITY COSTS	90	
	1.	Building purchase:	\$0	
	2.	Lease payments:	\$	55,116.00
	3.	Remodeling:	\$0	33,110.00
	4.	Maintenance costs:	\$0	
	5.	Utilities:		
	6.	Other (must provide detail on additional sheet):	\$0	
	7.	TOTAL FACILITY COSTS PAID OUT OF CHAPTER 59 FUNDS:	\$0	FF 116 00
Ŋ		MISCELLANEOUS FEES	·\$	55,116.00
	1.	Court costs:	Ф.С	
		Filing fees:	\$0	
	3.	Insurance:	\$0	
	4.	Witness fees (including travel and security):	\$0	
-		Audit costs and fees (including audit preparation and professional fees):	\$0	
-	6.	Other (must provide detail on additional sheet):	\$0	
			\$	876.00³
L	7.	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS FEES PAID OUT OF CHAPTER 59 FUNDS:	\$	876.00

2	\$ 264.00 \$6.526.00 \$6,790.00	Cardinal Towing Inc. Bucket Truck Rental TOTAL – Other Investigative Costs
3	\$ 876.00	Defender Supply LLC (Shipping)

K)		PAID TO STATE TREASURY / GENERAL FUND / HEALTH & HUMAN	
		SERVICES COMMISSION	
	1.	Total paid to state treasury due to lack of local agreement pursuant to 59.06(c):	\$0
	2.	Total paid to state treasury due to participating in task force not established in	-
		accordance with 59.06 (q)(1):	\$0
	3.	Total paid to General Fund pursuant to 59.06 (c-3) (C) (Texas Department of	
	_	Public Safety only):	\$0
	4.	Total forfeiture funds transferred to the Health and Human Services Commission	
		pursuant to 59.06 (p):	\$0
	5.	TOTAL PAID TO STATE TREASURY / GENERAL FUND / HEALTH &	
· <del>V</del> \		HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION OUT OF CHAPTER 59 FUNDS:	\$0
L)		TOTAL PAID TO COOPERATING AGENCY(IES) PURSUANT TO	
3.63		LOCAL AGREEMENT:	\$0
M)		TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES PAID OUT OF CHAPTER 59 FUNDS	
	ı	WHICH ARE NOT ACCOUNTED FOR IN PREVIOUS CATEGORIES	
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NOTE: BOTH CERTIFICATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

# AUDITOR/TREASURER/ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONAL/PREPARER CERTIFICATION

I swear or affirm that the Commissioners Court has requested that I conduct the audit required by Article 59.06 of the Code of Criminal Procedure and that upon diligent inspection of all relevant documents and supporting materials concerning <u>TARRANT</u> County, I believe that the information contained in this report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.<sup>4</sup>

AUDITOR, TREASURER, ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONAL or PREPARER (Printed Name):	County Auditor	
TITLE;	S. Rener Tidusell	
SIGNATURE:		7
DATE:	19/19/18	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Due to the volume of Chapter 59 seizures and forfeitures, it is not possible for the auditor to inspect ALL relevant documents and supporting materials. Therefore, a sample of Chapter 59 transactions was selected for detailed testing. Based on the testing performed, the auditor believes the amounts represented in the report for the individual subcategories selected were adequately supported by relevant documents and supporting materials and are, therefore, true and correct to the best of the auditor's knowledge.

### AGENCY HEAD CERTIFICATION

I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I have accounted for the seizure, forfeiture, receipt, and specific expenditure of all proceeds and property subject to Chapter 59 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and that upon diligent inspection of all relevant documents and supporting materials, this asset forfeiture report is true and correct and contains all information required by Article 59.06 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. I further swear or affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, all expenditures reported herein were lawful and proper, and made in accordance with Texas law.

ATTORNEY REPRESENTING THE STATE (Elected Official) (Printed Name):

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

BILL E WAYBOURN

12-12-180

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:

Office of the Attorney General, Criminal Prosecutions Division

P.O. Box 12548 Austin, TX 78711-2548

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Chapter59AuditReport@texasattorneygeneral.gov



## TARRANT COUNTY

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S. Rene Tidwell, CPA County Auditor 100 E. Weatherford Street Fort Worth, Texas 76196

RE: Response to Auditor's Report - FY2018 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report

Ms. Tidwell:

I would like to thank you and your audit team for the hard work that was necessary to review and produce this Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report. We have reviewed your observations and recommendations with the audit team as well as with our team at the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office. We look forward to working together to remedy the concerns that were made in this report.

Once again, I would like to thank you and your audit team for the effort and professionalism that went into this report. I look forward to working with your office in the future.

Always at your service,

Bill E. Way burn Sheriff

**Tarrant County**