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TIMOTHY B. HOWARD
SHERIFF OF ERIE COUNTY

September 24, 2012

The Honorable
Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street
Buffalo, New York 14202

Re: Erie County Sheriff's Office – Donations

Honorable Members:

The attached resolution, in accordance with Erie County Law is requesting authorization of the Legislature to accept the following donations:

- One Explosive Detection Canine (Storm) from the New York State Police
- One Explosive Detection Canine (Toby) from Deputy Michael Okal
- Eight Automated External Defibrillators from Univera Healthcare
- Funds in the amount of $10,000 from the Seneca Nation of Indians

I kindly request the Erie County Legislature consider and approve the resolution at its earliest possible session. If your Honorable Body requires any further information, kindly contact the Sheriff's Office and we will be happy to accommodate your request.

Very truly yours,

TIMOTHY B. HOWARD
SHERIFF OF ERIE COUNTY

Attachments

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Re: Erie County Sheriff's Office – Donations

WHEREAS, pursuant to County Law, all donations must be approved and accepted by the Erie County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office has the opportunity to receive donations that will assist the Sheriff's Office in the performance of its law enforcement duties; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office is requesting to accept the following donations: One (1) Explosive Detection Canine (Storm) from the New York State Police, One (1) Explosive Detection Canine (Toby) from Deputy Michael Okal, Eight (8) Automated External Defibrillators from Univera Healthcare and funds in the amount of $10,000 from the Seneca Nation of Indians; and

WHEREAS, there will be no impact on county tax dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Sheriff's Office is authorized to accept One (1) Explosive Detection Canine, named Storm from the New York Police and place it into active service; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Sheriff's Office is authorized to accept One (1) Explosive Detection Canine named Toby from Deputy Michael Okal and place it into active service; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Sheriff's Office is authorized to accept Eight (8) Automated External Defibrillators from Univera Healthcare; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Sheriff's Office is authorized to accept funds in the amount of $10,000 from Seneca Nation of Indians; and be it further

RESOLVED, that those funds will be utilized to conduct undercover drug investigations on the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget transaction is hereby authorized:

ERIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

REVENUE		Increase
466130	Other Unclassified Revenues	10,000
	Total Revenue	10,000

APPROPRIATION		Increase
516020	Professional Services & Fees	10,000
	Total Appropriations	10,000

and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies be forwarded to the Division of Budget and Management, the Erie County Comptroller, the County Attorney and the Office of the Sheriff.

ACCOMPANYING MEMORANDUM

RE: Erie County Sheriff's Office – Donations

I. Summary of Recommended Action

The attached resolution in accordance with Erie County Law has been submitted by the Sheriff's Office to request approval from the Erie County Legislature to accept donations.

II. Fiscal Implications of Proposal

The Erie County Sheriff's Office will receive the following: Two (2) Explosive Detection Canines, Eight (8) Automated External Defibrillators and funds in the amount of $10,000. There will be no impact on county tax dollars.

III. Reasons for Recommendation

The Sheriff's Office will receive equipment and funds to assist them in the performance of their law enforcement duties at no cost to County tax payers. Explosive Detection Canines are used to conduct searches for a variety of explosive materials especially when large crowds are expected at local venues. This includes Rich Stadium before each Buffalo Bills game and at events held at UB Stadium. The donation of AEDs from Univera Healthcare, will allow the Sheriff's Office to equip additional Patrol Vehicles with these life saving devices. The Seneca Nation of Indians has recognized that there is significant drug activity on the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation and their donation of $10,000 will be utilized to increase the effectiveness of narcotics enforcement by funding undercover drug buys and payments to informants that lead to drug arrests.

IV. Consequences of Negative Action

Failure to approve this request will prevent the Sheriff's Office from utilizing the valuable assets that are being donated to the County for the purposes mentioned above.

V. Steps Following Approval of Measure

Certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the Division of Budget and Management, the Erie County Comptroller, the County Attorney and the Sheriff's Office.