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Sheriff Scott Israel

October 12, 2017

Norman Foster, Director
Office of Management and Budget
Broward County Governmental Center
115 South Andrews Avenue, Room 404
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Re: LETF Request for Appropriation

Dear Mr. Foster:

Attached please find the electronic submission of the following request for appropriation from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund:

Subject: Appropriation Requests
User: BSO – Narcotics Detection Dog Program (see attached)
Amount: \$167,165.00

Thank you for your prompt review and processing.

Sincerely,



Colonel Tom Harrington
Department of Administration

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cc: Sheriff Scott Israel
General Counsel, Ron Gunzburger, Office of the General Counsel
Director, Heather Mitchell, Bureau of Finance
Comptroller, Catherine A. Moore, Bureau of Finance
Staff Accountant, Erika Galvan, Bureau of Finance

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September 19, 2017

Board of County Commissioners
Broward County Governmental Center
115 South Andrews Avenue.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Attn: Honorable Barbara Sharief, Mayor

**Re: Request for Appropriation – Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETf)
Narcotics Detection Dog Program**

Dear Mayor Sharief and Board Members:

Request is hereby made for the following described appropriation from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETf).

- I. **AMOUNT REQUESTED:** \$167,165.00
- II. **LETf ACCOUNT** State/Local Federal/Justice
 X Federal/Treasury
- III. **AMOUNT & TYPE:** \$167,165.00 Federal/Treasury
- IV. **USER:** X BSO Other
- V. **STATUTORY PURPOSE:**
- | | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| <u> </u> Crime prevention | <u> </u> Drug abuse education/prevention |
| <u> </u> Grant matching funds | <u> </u> X <u> </u> Other law enforcement purpose |
| <u> </u> Safe neighborhood | <u> </u> School resource officer |

VI. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION:

The Broward Sheriff's Office supports this LETF for the Narcotics Detection Dog Program. The Narcotics Detection Dog Program works in conjunction with law enforcement entities that are investigating criminal cases in the South Florida area, specific to Broward County. The Program targets individuals and criminal organizations committing illegal activity by establishing probable cause that subsequently results in arrests and seizure of assets associated with their criminal activity.

VII. EXHIBITS ATTACHED: X___ Budget X___ Correspondence

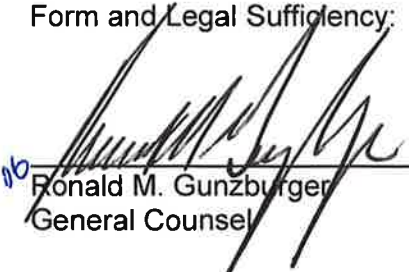
1. Correspondence from the Broward Sheriff's Office
2. LETF Request for Funding.
3. Budget

VIII. CERTIFICATION:

The undersigned hereby certifies that:

- a. These funds will not be used to meet normal operating expenses of the Broward Sheriff's Office; and
- b. This request complies with the provisions of Section 932.7055, Florida Statutes.

Reviewed and Approved as to
Form and Legal Sufficiency:



Ronald M. Gunzburger
General Counsel



Scott J. Israel
Sheriff of Broward County



Sheriff Scott Israel

INTERNAL MEMO

Date: August 29, 2017

To: Ms. Heather Mitchell, Director
Finance Department

Lt. Colonel Michael  CCN 16921

From: Captain Jerald  Fuller, HIDTA Narcotics Commander
Strategic Investigation Division

Subject: Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETF) Request for Appropriation – #85002 –
Narcotics Detection Dog Program

Listed below is a breakdown of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund 2017/2018 appropriation request for the Narcotics Detection Dog Program budget account #08-5002:

Subject Code / Category-Description

514401 / Overtime	\$129,015.00
540402 / Travel-In/Out State	\$ 10,000.00
552409 / Operating Supplies/Miscellaneous	\$ 5,000.00
552411 / Livestock (Canines)	\$ 16,000.00
544402 / Dues/Membership	\$ 2,150.00
554403 / Education/Training	\$ <u>5,000.00</u>

Total LETF Request **\$167,165.00**

Lieutenant Ron Batoroz, #1131 

Major Eddie Grant, CCN 9485 

Lt. Joseph Achillarre #7848 



**BROWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND
REQUEST FOR FUNDING**

DATE: August 29, 2017

I. NAME OF ORGANIZATION: Strategic Investigation Division

 CORPORATION X UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION

IF A CORPORATION, ARE YOU A 501 (c) (3) COMPANY? YES X NO

II. TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDS REQUESTED: \$167,165.00

III. NAME OF PROGRAM TO BE FUNDED: Narcotics Detector Dog Program

 NEW X CONTINUING

IF A CONTINUING PROGRAM, HOW MANY YEARS IN EXISTENCE?

7 years

IV. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM:

The Narcotics Detection Dog Program responsibilities are to assist the Broward Sheriff's Office Department of Law Enforcement, Department of Detention, local municipalities, state, and Federal agencies that involve narcotics, currency, and firearms investigations within Broward County. This Program will continue to assist law enforcement with establishing probable cause and locating evidence that may be concealed, which is necessary for the successful prosecution of an arrest or investigation.

V. INTO WHICH CATEGORY DOES THE PROGRAM FIT?

CRIME PREVENTION DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION/EDUCATION

SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSE X

VI. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

The Narcotic Detection Dog Program works in conjunction with law enforcement entities that are investigating criminal cases in the South Florida area, specific to Broward County. The Program targets individuals and criminal organizations committing illegal by establishing probable cause that subsequently results in arrests and seizures of assets associated with their criminal activity.

DESCRIPTION OF HOW THIS PROGRAM CAN OR DOES PARTNER WITH BSO:

The Broward Sheriff's Office administers the Centralized Narcotics Detection Dog Program. The compliment of the Detector Canine Unit consists of 14 handlers and 18 canines. The canines are distributed throughout Broward County and are readily accessible to the various districts and all City municipalities. Additionally, resources are allocated to the Strategic Investigation Division, specifically, to the Narcotics Interdiction Task Force (NITF), the Broward County Drug Task Force (BCDTF), and the Money Laundering Task Force (MLTF). Furthermore, the Program will continue to support the collaborative partnership with our Federal Counterparts such as ATF, DEA, FBI, HIS, etc. All of these efforts are aimed toward combating Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO) and Money Laundering Organizations (MLO).

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF OUTCOMES AND PERFORMANCES MEASURES TO BE USED TO GAUGE PROGRAM SUCCESS:

This Program Force has been in existence for over six years. There have been numerous arrests made and millions of dollars seized with some already placed into the BSO/Law Enforcement Trust Fund as a direct result of this Program's efforts.

VII. ADDITIONAL FUNDING SOURCES, IF ANY, FOR THE PROGRAM:

SOURCE	AMOUNT	COMMMITTED	PENDING
N/A			

VIII. IF A CONTINUING PROGRAM, FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE IMMEDIATE PRIOR YEAR:

SOURCE	AMOUNT
\$306,165.00	

IX. FUNDING SOURCES FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION (NOT INCLUDING THE PROGRAM):

SOURCE	AMOUNT	COMMMITTED	PENDING
N/A			

X. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUNDS THROUGH THE AUSPICES OF BSO PRIOR TO THIS REQUEST?

X YES NO

IF "YES", THE NAME OF EACH PROGRAM, THE AMOUNT FUNDED THROUGH BSO, AND THE YEAR OF FUNDING:

PROGRAM	AMOUNT	FISCAL YEAR
<u>LETF-Dog Detection Program</u>	<u>\$188,000.00</u>	<u>2009-2010</u>
<u>LETF-Dog Detection Program</u>	<u>\$237,020.00</u>	<u>2015-2016</u>
<u>LETF-Dog Detection Program</u>	<u>\$306,165.00</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>

ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THIS REQUEST FOR FUNDING ARE THE FOLLOWING:

1. BUDGET FOR THE PROGRAM'S FIRST OR CURRENT FISCAL YEAR
2. STATEMENT DESCRIBING PROGRAM'S ANTICIPATED REVENUES
3. COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION (if a corporation)
4. COPY OF INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE CERTIFICATION
(If a 501 (c) (3) corporation)
5. COPY OF BY-LAWS (corporation by-laws or unincorporated association by-laws)

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT, IF FUNDING IS APPROVED, THE MONIES WILL BE USED FOR AN AUTHORIZED PURPOSE AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 932-7055 (4) (c), FLORIDA STATUTES. BSO SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, TO FURNISH THE SAME REPORT AS AN AGENCY OF THE COUNTY THAT RECEIVES FUNDS AND THAT THIS DOCUMENT WILL BECOME A PUBLIC RECORD ONCE RECEIVED BY BSO.

I UNDERSTAND THAT FILING THIS APPLICATION DOES NOT COMMIT BSO TO FUNDING. I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT IF AWARDED, BSO IS NOT PROMISING ANY FUTURE FUNDING AND THAT ANY FUTURE FUNDING IS CONTINGENT UPON A NEW APPLICATION AND AVAILABLE FUNDS.

Broward County Sheriff's Office (Organization Name)

By:  (Signature)

Title: Captain HIDTA Task Force Commander **Capt. J. Fuller, CCN 17003**

Organization Address: 2601 West Broward Blvd.

Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33312

Telephone: (954) 888-1932

Fax No.: (954) 888-5308

Name of Principal Contact Person for Follow-up Inquiries:

Captain Jerald Fuller BSO/SID/NITF



INTERNAL MEMO

Date: August 28, 2017

To: Captain Jerald Fuller, HDTA Commander
Strategic Investigations Division

Through: Lieutenant Ron Barera, BCDTF, NITF, GANG
Strategic Investigations Division
(Via Chain-of-Command)

From: Sergeant James Jenkins
Narcotics Interdiction Task Force
Strategic Investigations Division

Subject: LETF REQUEST / NARCOTICS DETECTION CANINE PROGRAM


Lt. Colonel Michael DiMaggio, CCN 16921


Major Eddie Barant, CCN 9485

Additional funding from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETF) is being requested to continue supporting the implementation and organization of the Centralized Narcotics Detection Canine Program. This Program will continue to allow the Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO) to advance the Agency's county-wide approach toward combating the use and distribution of narcotics and transportation of bulk currency/narcotics proceeds. The efforts are achieved through the utilization of existing resources in an overtime capacity. As a result of the 2016 Broward County Commission LETF Award, the Narcotics Detection Canine Unit amassed the following statistics from September 2016 through August 2017:

- A. 2.4 million in US currency
- B. 590.52 kilograms of Marijuana
- C. 19.03 kilograms of Cocaine
- D. 5.67 kilograms of Heroin
- E. 1.31 kilograms of Methamphetamine

As noted above for the aforementioned fiscal years, the Detection Canines accounted for over 2.4 million dollars in seizures of which BSO will and has retained a large portion through asset sharing. As a result of these seizures, a portion of the seized currency was deposited in the LETF.

Historically, Detection Canines and their handlers have been assigned to various Districts and specialized units throughout BSO, specifically addressing narcotics issues for their assigned area of responsibility. Although, this practice will continue, the Centralized Narcotics Detection Dog Program will continue to utilize the skills of the detection canines and handlers on an

overtime basis. The resulting overtime cost will be charged to the Program. The funding requested will cover any additional overtime plus any associated equipment, education/training, operating costs, and capital purchases such as additional detection canines.

The Program will operate administratively under the Broward Sheriff's Office, Strategic Investigation Division (SID). The Narcotics Detection Canine Unit consists of 14 canine handlers and 18 canines. The canine handlers are assigned as follows: One canine is assigned to Deerfield Beach District, two are assigned to the Pompano Beach District, one is assigned to the Tamarac District, and one is assigned to Dania Beach District. Additionally, seven handlers are assigned to the Strategic Investigation Division, specifically, the Narcotics Interdiction Task Force, Broward County Drug Task Force, the VIPER Unit, and the Money Laundering Task Force. Furthermore, there are currently two canines assigned to the Department of Detention where one is trained to locate cellular telephones and tobacco products. There are 14 drug detection canines, three currency detection canines, and one firearm detection canine.

The Handlers'/canines' responsibilities are to assist the Broward Sheriff's Office Department of Law Enforcement, Department of Detention, local municipalities, and all state and federal agencies that investigate narcotics, currency, and firearms related crimes. The aforementioned detection canines are excellent resources for conducting searches in buildings, luggage, and vehicles to include all modes of transportation, objects, open areas, and persons. Additionally, these canines assist law enforcement with establishing probable cause and locating evidence that may be concealed, which is necessary for the successful prosecution of an arrest or investigation.

Based upon the above mentioned, SID is requesting LETF funding in the amount of \$167,165 for the continuation of the Centralized Narcotics Detection Canine Program. SID's previous LETF request was approved and used over the course of the FY2016-2017; this approved funding was for \$306,165. This amount breaks down to \$9,004.85 per handler and canine. This current LETF request for \$167,165 will fund each handler and canine at \$5,223.91. Attached below is a breakdown of the requested Law Enforcement Trust Funds:

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TOTAL LETF REQUEST **\$167,165.00**

514401
OVERTIME

The requested funding will be used to pay the overtime cost of handlers assigned to the Program, which as stated in the memorandum is beyond the handler's regular and normal daily functions. The guidelines being followed for the overtime request is half the amount of

the Office of the National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), which equates to \$8,601 per person x 15 = \$129,015. The overtime being requested is only to fund the overtime cost of the handlers assigned to the program.

Requested Amount – \$129,015 for Overtime for FY17/18.

540402**TRAVEL IN & OUT OF STATE**

Detective/handlers and trainers are often required to travel in furtherance of ongoing and continuing education and training pertaining to new practices and methods. At times travel will consist of lodging and per diem for the employee. The travel may be accomplished by either personal vehicle or commercial carrier, depending on the distance from Broward County. Using historical data comparison to similar training endeavors as a guide, \$10,000 should provide the funding needed to support any travel requirements for the personnel assigned to the this Program.

Requested Amount – \$10,000 for Travel In & Out of State for FY17/18.

552409**OPERATING SUPPLIES – MISCELLANEOUS**

The implementation of the Program will require the purchase of portable canine kennels, tactical equipment and training equipment. Additionally, it will cover vital equipment such as “cellular telephone” heat warning devices. These devices are necessary for each canine vehicle, which warns the detective/handler that their housing vehicle has reached a critical temperature. These essential devices will ensure that the Handlers are immediately notified, potentially preventing an unnecessary death. Furthermore, the requested funds may be utilized for routine medical examinations and for unforeseen medical emergencies. \$5,000 would allow for necessary care and equipment for the handlers and canines.

Requested Amount - \$5,000 for Operating Supplies – Miscellaneous for FY17/18

552411**LIVESTOCK PURCHASE**

It is anticipated that two canines would be replaced during the 2017/2018 fiscal year. The purchase of detection canines, specific, to drug, currency, and firearm will further the success of this Program due to the specialized nature of their work. Currently there is no funding available for the purchase of either specialized canine. \$16,000 would be sufficient to purchase at least two canines.

Requested Amount - \$16,000 for the purchase of specialized detections canines, specific to: drug, currency, and firearm canine(s).

544402**DUES/MEMBERSHIP**

Detective/handlers are certified once a year or each time a handler receives a new canine. Currently, the handlers and canines are certified by the Unites States Police Canine

Association (USPCA). USPCA is the oldest and largest police canine association in America and USPCA certification is recognized nationally. In order to be certified by USPCA, a handler and canine must be a current member in good standings. \$2,150 should provide the funding needed to support dues/memberships for the personnel assigned to this Program.

Requested Amount – \$2,150 for dues/membership for FY17/18.

554403**EDUCATION / TRAINING**

Due to the nature and complexity of investigations conducted, it is extremely important that the detectives assigned to the Program are up-to-date and well versed in current trends and case law relevant to their unique and specialized training. Detectives/Handlers and their canine partners are required to routinely train in order to maintain a level of proficiency. The detectives/handlers are constantly continuing their education and training by attending specialized/specific training, seminars, and conferences. Additionally, these funds will cover the cost of a yearly independent certification.

Requested Amount - \$5,000 for Education / Training for FY17/18.

Attachment: Available LETF Balance at Broward County as of August 25, 2017
Law Enforcement Trust Fund Request for Funding
Memorandum for appropriation

Lt. Joseph Achillarre #7848

