

MEMORANDUM City of Venice

Police Department

TO: Ed Lavallee, City Manager

THROUGH: Tom Mattmuller, Police Chief

FROM: Charlie Thorpe, Captain

DATE: June 21, 2021

COUNCIL APPROVAL: Yes MEETING DATE: July 13, 2021

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Provide Efficient, Responsive Government with High Quality Services

SUBJECT: Utilize the Contraband Forfeiture Fund

Background: The Venice Police Department is requesting council approve a \$5,000 expenditure from the Contraband Forfeiture Fund 106 in accordance with F.S.S. 932.7055(5)(c)3. During this fiscal year, VPD is obligated to expend a minimum of \$14,346. VPD recommends donation in the amount of \$5,000 to the Library Foundation for Sarasota County.

Requested Action: City Council approval to donate \$5,000 in forfeiture fund monies to Library Foundation for Sarasota County.

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reviewed for ADA compliance: Yes City Attorney Review/Approved: N/A Risk Management Review: N/A

Finance Department Review/Approved: N/A

Funds Availability (account number): Contraband Forfeiture Fund 106

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CITY OF VENICE POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO:

Chief Mattmuller

FROM:

Capt. C. ThorpeC

DATE:

June 14, 2021

SUBJECT: Forfeiture Funds Disposition

F.S.S. 932.7055(5)c3 addresses the requirements of the disposition of law enforcement held contraband forfeiture funds. During this fiscal year the VPD is obligated to expense for certain programs or donate at minimum \$14,346.00.

So far this year we have completed donations to eligible entities for a total of \$10,000.00.

With the assistance of a local citizen I have identified and qualified the Library Foundation for Sarasota County as an eligible recipient. The Library Foundation will designate the donation to support adult literacy programs at the Venice Library, supplementing the English language learning and citizenship materials provided specifically at our local library.

A donation of \$5000.00 will satisfy our statutory commitment for this fiscal year and directly benefit digital and on-site programs that support employment/employability, education, and adult literacy (this fits the crime prevention and safe neighborhoods requirement).

The point of contact for the Library Foundation for Sarasota County is the Executive Director, Alisa Mitchell.

Chief's approval:

NO