

CITY OF BELLE SLE, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: September 2, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: Travis Grimm - Chief of Police

Subject: Approval to Accept Donations K-9 Fundraiser

Background:

The Belle Isle Police Department is participating in a K-9 calendar and magnet fundraiser in partnership with Law Enforcement Partners, a third-party organization specializing in public safety fundraising. This vendor has over 10 years of experience working with law enforcement agencies nationwide, providing customized fundraising materials such as wall calendars, magnets, and coloring books at no cost to the agency.

The vendor handles all outreach, production, and sponsorship efforts, and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to our K-9 program to support care, training, and equipment needs.

I visited the Law Enforcement Partners booth at the Florida Police Chiefs Conference in January 2025, where I confirmed their longstanding reputation and program details firsthand. While there was internal miscommunication regarding the campaign's launch timing, I want to assure Council that this is an entirely legitimate and authorized fundraiser.

The fundraiser is still in progress, and the final donation amount will be determined and disbursed once the campaign concludes.

Staff Recommendation and Council Discussion Points:

Staff recommends approval to **accept the future donation** from Law Enforcement Partners upon completion of the campaign and release of proceeds to the Belle Isle Police Department.

Discussion Points: N/A

Suggested Motion:

"I move to approve the acceptance of a future donation from Law Enforcement Partners in support of the Belle Isle Police Department K-9 program, with the understanding that the total donation amount will be reported to Council upon the fundraiser's conclusion."

Alternatives: N/A

Fiscal Impact:

- No cost to the City.
- The final donation amount is unknown; a report will be sent upon disbursement.

Attachments: None