

ORDINANCE NO. 024, 2023
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS
APPROPRIATING PHILANTHROPIC REVENUE RECEIVED BY CITY GIVE FOR FORT
COLLINS POLICE SERVICES FOR THE SAFE FUTURES INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, like many law enforcement agencies across the nation, Fort Collins Police Services (FCPS) is adopting new industry practices for victim-centered services by hiring civilian professionals for forensics, fraud, and criminal investigations; and

WHEREAS, traditionally served by uniformed police officers, this new approach offers a proactive, comprehensive victim-centered approach to public safety and leverages candidates from accounting, criminal justice, and forensic disciplines, who desire to serve their community; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Collins Safe Futures Fund is a designated charitable fund to support the operational needs for innovative, victim-centered police services to address the impact crime has on victims, their families, and witnesses; leverage technology-based skilled investigative resources; and, assist in the identification of victims of human trafficking and prevent the sexual exploitation of the most vulnerable members of our community; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this item is to request appropriation of \$86,000.00 in philanthropic revenue received by City Give for Fort Collins Police Services for the Safe Futures Initiative; and

WHEREAS, the charitable support represents a range of generous local giving: \$50,000 from the Blue Ocean Foundation, \$35,000 from UCount, Timberline Church, and \$1,000 from the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, with all gifts designated for the sole purpose of the Safe Futures Initiative; and

WHEREAS, this appropriation benefits public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Fort Collins and serves a public purpose of protecting our most vulnerable population of citizens by investigating crimes and holding perpetrators of those crimes accountable; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 9 of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon recommendation of the City Manager, to make a supplemental appropriation by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year, provided that the total amount of such supplemental appropriation, in combination with all previous appropriations for that fiscal year, do not exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received during the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has recommended the appropriation described herein and determined that this appropriation is available and previously unappropriated from the General Fund and will not cause the total amount appropriated in the General Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in this Fund during this fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby makes and adopts the determinations and findings contained in the recitals set forth above.

Section 2. That there is hereby appropriated from new philanthropic revenue in the General Fund the sum of EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$86,000) to be expended in the General Fund by Fort Collins Police Services for the Safe Futures Initiative.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading, and ordered published this 21st day of February 2023, and to be presented for final passage on the 7th day of March 2023.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Passed and adopted on final reading on the 7th day of March 2023.

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