



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: November 28, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: Consider adopting a resolution accepting a donation of \$200.00 from MN State Patrol Troopers Association and a donation of \$100 from the McNichols family toward Grand Rapids Police Shop with a Hero Program

PREPARED BY: Captain Andy Morgan

BACKGROUND:

In the past, Captain Morgan has approached the community organizations and groups in search of donations for the Shop with a Hero. The above donations were provided without solicitation but rather the groups' gracious commitment to this wonderful community event.

Area emergency service providers and Wal-Mart will host the Shop With a Hero event on December 11, 2012. The event provides area youth an opportunity to purchase \$100 worth of Wal-Mart merchandise to be given as holiday gifts to their family members. Youth are selected by organizers with the assistance of Area School Professionals, Itasca County Health and Human Services, Ross Resources, Children's Mental Health and Kootasca. Participating youth are then paired with a member of emergency services and local military staff - a "Hero," and are given a \$100 Wal-Mart gift card and calculator. Heroes then assist youth in shopping for holiday gifts for their family. Upon purchase, volunteers will gift-wrap all presents. Following a surprise visit from Santa Claus, the youth receive a wrapped Christmas present of their own.

The 2012 Shop With a Cop involved 20 area youth and has considerably grown to 30 youth in this year's event.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion adopting a resolution accepting a donation of \$200.00 from MN State Patrol Troopers Association and a donation of \$100 from the McNichols family toward Grand Rapids Police Shop with a Hero Program.