



# IOWA COLONY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**To:** Iowa Colony Crime Control and Prevention District

**From:** Aaron I. Bell, Chief of Police

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**Subject:** Police Uniform Upgrade and Budget Amendment Request

We are requesting a budget amendment to upgrade the Iowa Colony Police Department's uniforms to enhance officer safety, professionalism, and department efficiency. Our current uniforms have reached a point where replacement is necessary due to normal wear and tear, as well as evolving department needs.

## **Justification for Upgrade:**

1. **Durability & Professionalism** – The proposed uniforms are made with higher-quality materials that provide better durability and a more professional appearance.
2. **Officer Safety & Comfort** – Upgraded uniforms will improve officer mobility, comfort, and safety, especially in high-risk situations.
3. **Consistency & Department Image** – Standardized uniforms will maintain a professional image that aligns with our growing department and community expectations.

## **Budget Amendment Request:**

- **Total Requested Amount:** \$20,000.00
- **Items Included:** Elbeco Short Sleeve Shirts (54), Elbeco 5 Pocket Pant (54), Gerber Thriller Reversible Winter Coat (18), Blauer Breakaway Safety Vest (18), Liberty Reversible Raincoat (18), Point Blank Body Armor (8), Embroidery, and Shoulder Patches
- **Funding Source:** Over the past 6 months the Crime Control and Prevention District has collected considerably more than projected. BuyBoard Contract 670-22

I believe this upgrade will positively impact both officer morale and community perception. I appreciate your consideration of this request and look forward to discussing it further at your convenience.