

Legislation Text

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A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing A Donation Of Law Enforcement Forfeiture Funds Pursuant To Florida's Contraband Forfeiture Act In Support Of Community Organizations And Local Agencies Which Provide Drug Treatment, Drug Abuse Education, Drug Prevention, Crime Prevention And Safe Neighborhood Programs In The Amount Of \$70,000.00.

Staff Recommends: Approval of the attached Resolution.

Explanation:

The Hollywood Police Department is required to donate at least fifteen percent (15%) of its annual asset forfeiture income to charitable organizations. See Fla. Stat. §932.7055(5)(c). The donations can only be used to support specific categories of programs allowed by the statute. The statute vests the "local law enforcement agency" with "the discretion to determine which program(s) will receive the designated proceeds." Id. The Police Department has reviewed the applications for charitable donations that will be awarded in fiscal year 2016-2017, and determined that several programs are eligible for funding. The charitable programs described in this resolution satisfy the statutory categories allowed by 932.7055(5)(c). In addition, the programs described in this resolution directly advance the goals and priorities of the Police Department.

Recommended for inclusion on the agenda by: Wazir A. Ishmael, Ph.D., City Manager Mel Stanley, Assistant City Manager of Public Safety Tomas Sanchez, Chief of Police