

Legislation Text

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Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund (LECFTF) Funding for Gainesville Police Department's Mounted Unit (B)

On October 13, 1997, the City Commission approved the formation of the Gainesville Police Department's twomember Police Mounted Unit and authorized funding through the LECFTF. On January 12, 1998, the City Commission authorized the expansion of the Unit to a third member. This current funding request of \$22,000 is to cover the operating expenses of the Unit for FY2002. Total projected operating cost includes funding for a fourth donated horse, which is to be trained as an eventual replacement for one of the older horses.

Funds for this expenditure are available in the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund and is allowable per Federal 21 U.S.C. § 881, found in the U.S. Department of Justice "A Guide to Equitable Sharing of Federally Forfeited Property for State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies." The balance in the account is \$32,704.

The City Commission approve the appropriation of \$22,000 from the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund for the operation of the Mounted Unit.