



Legislation Text

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Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund Funding for Joint Aviation Unit for FY 2005 2006 (B)

On July 8, 1996, the City Commission approved the Inter-Agency Agreement for a Joint Aviation Unit between the Alachua County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) and the City of Gainesville's Police Department. The agreement allows for each agency to share the cost of the aviation hangar and office located at the Gainesville Regional Airport and the ACSO maintenance technician's salary. Total estimated operating costs for FY06 are \$81,863. Cost for the hangar/office is \$7279, and the City's half of the maintenance technician's salary is \$32,582. In addition, this request includes costs for normal operating expenses of \$42,002. These costs are for fuel, aircraft parts, mandatory FAA flight training, and FAA physicals. The annual budget does not include several time-limited components that may require replacement during FY06.

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 this account is \$4,518,866.04, inclusive of items still pending.

The City Commission approve the appropriation of \$81,863 from the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund for the operation of the Joint Aviation Unit.