

Legislation Text

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State Law Enforcement Contraband and Forfeiture Trust Fund Funding for the 2012 Summer Heat Wave/Operation Respect Yourself Program (NB)

This is a request for funding to support the 2012 Summer Heat Wave/Operation Respect Yourself Program.

The Gainesville Police Department is requesting \$10,000 for the 2012 Summer Heat Wave/Operation Respect Yourself Program. The funds will be used to facilitate recreational activities and supply food, drinks and recreational supplies. Heat Wave is a summer youth program in its fifth year aimed at providing focused and structured summer recreational activities complete with positive messaging and weekly positive themes. It is free to all youth participants.

In addition, Operation Respect Yourself focuses on social events for school age children combining music, food, and sport activities emphasizing non-violent conflict resolution. These events are scheduled at the City of Gainesville pools throughout the city. This is a joint partnership between the City of Gainesville's Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs Department and the Gainesville Police Department. Additionally, in-kind services will be provided by City staff. Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Department will utilize up to \$5,000 for the youth program.

Funds in the amount of \$10,000 for this expenditure are available in the State Law Enforcement Contraband and Forfeiture Trust Fund, as allowed under FSS 932.7055. The unreserved balance in the account is approximately \$27,765 before this expenditure.

The City Commission approve the use of State Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Funds not to exceed \$10,000 to support the Summer Heat Wave/Operation Respect Yourself 2012 Program.

Alternative Recommendation

The City Commission deny funding which will result in the Summer Heat Wave/Operation Respect Yourself 2012 Program being cancelled or scaled back