



Legislation Text

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Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund (LECFTF) Funding for Mounted Unit Operation Budget for FY2013 (B)

This is a request for approval to fund the Gainesville Police Department's Mounted Unit for Fiscal Year 2013.

On October 13, 1997 the City Commission approved the formation of the Gainesville Police Department's Mounted Unit Patrol and authorized funding through the LECFTF. Because FY 12 funds can be rolled over, staff is only requesting an additional \$25,000 to cover the remainder of the expenditures. The total operating cost is approximately \$63,802 which includes funding for stables/boarding, veterinarian services, horse feed, supplies, and training.

Funds in the amount of \$25,000 are available in the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund. The expenditure is allowable per Federal 21 USC 881 found in the US 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 \$1,040,429 (unreserved fund balance) based on the City of Gainesville's financial statements dated March 31, 2012.

The City Commission approve the appropriation of \$25,000 from the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund for the operation of the Mounted Unit for Fiscal Year 2013.