



## Legislation Text

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### **Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund (LECFTF) Funding for Mounted Unit Operation Budget for FY2014 (B)**

**This is a request for \$30,000 for funding the Mounted Unit for Fiscal Year 2014 for the Gainesville Police Department.**

On October 13, 1997 the City Commission approved the formation of the Gainesville Police Department Mounted Patrol Unit and authorized funding through the LECFTF. We are requesting \$30,000 for the 2014 fiscal year as a result of an expected surplus balance of approximately \$35,000 from the FY 2013 Mounted Unit budget. These funds are to be rolled over to supplement funding FY 2014 operations. The total operating costs is estimated to be approximately \$65,186, which includes funding for stables/boarding, veterinarian services, horse feed, supplies, and training.

Funds for this expenditure in the amount of \$30,000 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 unreserved fund balance in this account is \$1,111,026 as of July 31, 2013.

The City Commission to approve the appropriation of \$30,000 from the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund for the operation of the Gainesville Police Department Mounted Patrol Unit for Fiscal Year 2014.