



Legislation Text

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State Agency for Surplus Property Program for Gainesville Police Department (B)

The Federal Property Assistance (FPA) surplus program was formed in 1965 under [Florida Statutes Chapter 217](#) as amended. The FPA Program acquires and distributes U.S. Department of Defense, and federally owned tangible personal property declared excess/surplus by the military and federal government. This property is allocated to the State of Florida for the benefit of state and local law enforcement, public agencies and private/nonprofit eligible organizations. The acquisition of federal surplus property through Florida 1033 Program and State Agency for Surplus Property (SASP) results in sizable cost savings in asset procurement for law enforcement, public agencies and nonprofit organizations, which saves tax dollars.

The Florida Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) also known as the Florida 1033 Program supports *only* law enforcement agencies. The Florida 1033 Program originated from the National Defense Authorization Act of 1997. This law allows transfer of excess Department of Defense property that might otherwise be destroyed to law enforcement agencies in the State of Florida. The program uses web-accessible surplus/excess databases FEPMIS of the U.S. Defense Logistics Agency. The program enables law enforcement agencies to have equipment they may otherwise not have the resources to purchase. More information on the [Florida 1033 Program](#)

State Agencies for Surplus Property (SASP) Program supports many different nonprofit organizations and all public agencies to include law enforcement, facilitating the requests and transfers of surplus federal government property to eligible organizations in Florida for more information on the [SASP Program](#) . These programs will benefit the Gainesville Police Department through means of office supplies, kitchen supplies for the Reichert House/BOLD Program, and fleet vehicles. The Gainesville Police Department will not purchase weapons, armored vehicles or other military grade equipment from this program.

Law enforcement agencies are the only public agency that can join both programs for eligibility for three years.

Strategic Connection

This item is connected to Goal 5: Best in Class Neighbor Services and community policing which is a top priority.

Financial costs varies on the surplus item that is being requested for purchase.

The City Commission (1) grant the Chief of Police the signature authority to allow the Gainesville Police Department to participate in this program for three years (2) allow the application process to proceed with signature authority by the City officials before the deadline of October 31 (3) subject to review and approval by the City Attorney as to form and legality.