

TO: TOWN COUNCIL
FROM: TOWN MANAGER

RE: CONSENT ITEM
REQUEST FOR DONATION – PLACER SHERIFF SEARCH & RESCUE

ISSUE

Placer Sheriff Search & Rescue requests a donation to help with their year around activities assisting in searches, disaster assistance, body recovery and evidence searches.

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize donation in the amount of \$100.00 to be paid from miscellaneous Donations and Awards budget.

CEQA

There are no CEQA issues because it is self evident that this kind of donation will not impact the environment.

MONEY

The yearly budget typically provides for Donations and Awards which are designated toward certain things and there is generally a un-appropriated discretionary amount that Council allocates throughout the fiscal year for those things that were not specifically identified in the budget process. The 2010/11 budget did not include this request as an identified donation. There is \$1,500 budgeted in miscellaneous donations and in the past the Council has donated to this cause in the amount of \$100 to \$200 dollars. Last meeting Council approved \$300.00 for a doggie bag station at Loomis Elementary school so there is still \$1,200 remaining in the miscellaneous category.

DISCUSSION

Placer Search & Rescue requests a donation to help them maintain the efforts they do throughout Placer County as described in the attached information. In the past the Council has authorized donations varying from \$100 to \$200 dollars. Last year no donation was given due to very uncertain economic times. Today the economy is still pretty tight. The cause is worthwhile however so Council is asked to find favor with the request.



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To Whom It May Concern:

The Placer County Sheriff's Search & Rescue Organization is a functional unit of the Sheriff's Departments authorized by the California Government Code. Although, our Search & Rescue unit is coordinated by the Sheriff's Department, it is predominately staffed by dedicated volunteers from all walks of life and various professional backgrounds.

Our purpose is to be mission ready at any time of day, any season and in any weather, to search for lost persons in any type of terrain. Not only do we cover all of Placer County, but we also provide mutual aid assistance to other counties or states that request our help and expertise. In addition to searches, our members provide other community services and are a valuable asset during disasters. We also assist the Placer County Sheriff's Department with body recovery and evidence searches.

Due to the fact that we are a volunteer organization, our members are not financially compensated for their effort. We find it becomes very expensive for our volunteers to provide their own personal gear and equipment necessary to perform the multitude of tasks required. That is why we seek donations, which are used for equipment and training.

Without financial assistance from civic-minded people such as you, we would be unable to maintain our status as one of the most professional and highly respected Search & Rescue operations in California.

If you have any questions, or if I can be of any further assistance, please don't hesitate to call me at 530 889-7846. Thank you so much for your caring and generosity. We are a 501©3, Tax ID # 68-0187194.

Sincerely,

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PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION			
FUND	DATE	AMOUNTS	AMOUNT
DEPT	ACCOUNT		

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