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Key West Police Department Attn: Chief Donald Lee, Jr., Chief of Police 1604 N Roosevelt Blvd. Key West, FL 33040

Re: Request for Funding of Program for Juvenile Redirection

To Whom It May Concern:

We would like to request a donation from this fiscal year's KWPD forfeiture money to be used for the Success Through Empowerment Program (STEP). STEP is facilitated by Bethel A.M.E. Church. We are requesting the amount of \$1200.00 to be used throughout the 2017 calendar year January to December. These funds will be distributed at \$100.00 each month to assist in our outreach program. Our goal is not only to redirect juvenile offenders and drug-court youths but also to divert and prevent all at-risk youths from entering the juvenile justice system. We have partnered with the Department of Juvenile Justice and several other agencies, i.e. the offices of the mayor, the sheriff, the public defender, the state prosecutor, the city commissioners, the health department, etc., that empower juveniles and assist them in positive decision making and other life skills. Juveniles receive testimonies from people from the community and insight from experts explaining to them their rights and teaching them about consequences of crime, health education, effective communication, the power to overcome substance abuse, etc. Please consider making a donation to our program. Thank you.

If you should have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (754) 234-5482 (cell) or email me at antoniomagwood@yahoo.com.

Respectfully,

Reverend Antonio Magwood, Pastor