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Chief of Police



Key West

POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

FROM: Sean T. Brandenburg, Chief of Police

VIA: Brian L. Barroso, City Manager

DATE: November 5, 2025

RE: Requesting Authorization to Make a Donation to A Positive Step of Monroe County (25-4636)

Introduction:

The Key West Police Department is requesting authorization to donate \$1,500.00 from State Forfeiture Funds to A Positive Step of Monroe County. This request complies with the requirements of Florida Statute 932.7055.

Background:

One of the core programs of A Positive Step of Monroe County is the Southernmost Fatherhood Initiative, which is the only fatherhood program in the Florida Keys that provides in-person services at the Monroe County Jail. This program allows fathers to participate in evidence-based classes that address the root causes of father absence and strengthen families. Research shows that children raised in father-absent homes face four times the risk of poverty, 2 times the risk of infant mortality, are more likely to have behavioral problems or drop out of school, seven times more likely to become pregnant as teenagers, and are more likely to abuse drugs or alcohol, commit crimes, or be incarcerated themselves (National Fatherhood Initiative, 2023). This donation will directly support this program and ultimately place fewer demands on our law enforcement system.

Procurement:

The funds requested are available from the Key West Police Department's State Law Enforcement Officers Trust Fund 172-2111-521-8200.

Recommendation:

The Key West Police Department recommends the approval of this \$1,500.00 donation.



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