



## MEMORANDUM

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Date: May 17, 2023

To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

Via: Albert P. Childress, City Manager *(Npc)*

From: Sean T. Brandenburg, Chief of Police

Subject: **Donation to Special Olympics, Florida, Monroe County**

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### Introduction

The Key West Police Department is requesting authorization to donate \$1,000.00 from State Forfeiture Funds to Special Olympics, Florida, Monroe County. This request complies with the requirements of Florida Statute 932.7055.

### Background

In the U.S. a large percentage of Special Olympic athletes face significant stresses daily, but very few athletes have the adaptive coping skills to deal with stressful situations. This donation will help provide our local Special Olympic athletes with interactive learning material that focuses on developing coping skills and strategies to resist the peer pressure they may receive involving substance abuse. The learning material uses terminology and techniques that are designed for the unique abilities of these athletes. We feel this donation will help provide the opportunity for these athletes to gain invaluable skills to handle stressful situations. In turn, this donation will continue our on-going efforts of drug use prevention and promoting a safer community.

### Procurement

The requested funds 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 \$1,000.00 donation to continue our efforts to support our community.