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Chief Sean Brandenburg Key West Police Department 1604 N. Roosevelt Blvd. Key West, FL 33040

Dear Chief Brandenburg,

The mission of Wesley House Family Services is promoting and enhancing the safety, well-being, and development of children by educating, supporting, and meeting the needs of the families.

We respectfully ask for assistance for our crime prevention program from the Key West Police Department in the amount of \$1500.00.

This program covers a wide range of services with enhancements constantly being incorporated into our services.

Children in foster care are often the victims of crime. Their limited possessions, often the only link to their past, are usually unsecured. Any such loss can be a traumatic experience for a child in either foster care of the dependency system.

Our older youth need to secure their methods of transportation, which is the lifeline for getting to both school and work. For youth living in the shelter, added security for their living space is crucial. This includes both lighting and locks. As part of our Independent Living Program for children ages 13-17, we aim to teach those in our care about crime prevention and respect.

On behalf of all the children and families we serve, we thank you for your consideration and keeping our community safe.

Warm regards,

Grace Epperly

Development Coordinator