



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#13-1417

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: November 5, 2013

TITLE: Motion to Approve Donation to Broward County Crime Stoppers Utilizing
State Law Enforcement Trust Fund - \$10,000

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve a donation to Broward County Crime Stoppers in the amount of \$10,000 utilizing State Law Enforcement Trust Fund.

Background

The Broward County Crime Stoppers program has been in existence for 32 years and has enjoyed great success. The organization contributes to the law enforcement community by providing a centralized receiving point for information on criminal acts throughout Broward County. Upon verification of the information as to its usefulness in investigation by the appropriate agency, a monetary reward is paid. Since Broward County Crime Stoppers is a non-profit organization, the reward funds are generated in part through donations.

For the calendar year 2012, the partnership between Broward County Crime Stoppers and the Fort Lauderdale Police Department resulted in the following successes:

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| Tips received from Crime Stoppers: | 346 |
| Number of Arrests Made: | 70 |
| Number of Homicides Solved: | 1 |
| Number of Weapons Recovered: | 14 |
| Number of Cases Cleared: | 213 |
| Value of Narcotics Recovered: | \$91 |
| Value of Cash and Property Recovered: | \$1,405 |
| Amount of Rewards Approved: | \$23,400 |

In January 2012, a Crime Stoppers tip led to the arrest of two subjects, Blue Darral Dennis and John Lee Tisby for the shooting death of a New Jersey man during an attempted drug rip-off in October of the previous year. A Crime Stoppers tip alerted Fort Lauderdale detectives to a convicted felon who was illegally in possession of several

firearms. The subject was arrested in April and found to be in possession of a Raven MP 25 plus 6 rounds of .25 caliber ammunition and a Romarms WASR-10 AK 47 type of assault rifle along with 40 rounds of 7.62x39 rifle ammunition.

A subject wanted for shooting at 3 individuals was located after tip information was forwarded to the Fort Lauderdale Career Criminal Unit. The seventeen-year old subject was arrested in September 2012 and charged with three counts of Attempted Murder. In addition, Crime Stoppers honors law enforcement officers who have worked most diligently with their tips while solving major cases. The Fort Lauderdale Fugitive Unit detectives have been recognized for their efforts in each of the last 15 years. In light of the contribution Crime Stoppers makes to the Fort Lauderdale community, it is most fitting to make a contribution to this organization to assist them in the furtherance of their mission.

Resource Impact

There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$10,000. Funding for this item is available in Fund 104, Sub-Fund 01, POL050201, 4299 (Other Contribution).

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| Available: | | | | | | | |
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| FUND | SUBFUND | FUND NAME | INDEX # | INDEX NAME | OBJECT # | SUBJECT NAME | AMOUNT |
| 104 | 01 | LAW ENFORCEMENT CONFISCATED PROPERTY | POL050201 | MISCELLANEOUS COMMISSION APPROPRIATIONS | 4299 | OTHER CONTRIBUTION | \$10,000.00 |
| TOTAL: | | | | | | | \$10,000.00 |

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the **Public Safety Cylinder of Excellence**, specifically advancing:

- **Goal 9:** Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- **Objective 1:** Prevent and solve crimes in all neighborhoods

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