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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPT DONATION OF A 2014 FORD E350 12-PERSON PASSENGER VAN
FROM THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA
(FIFTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Los Angeles County (County) Sheriff's Department (Department) is seeking the Board's approval authorizing the Department to accept the donation of a 2014 Ford E350, 12-person passenger van (Vehicle) from the City of Santa Clarita (City).

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Approve and authorize the Sheriff, as an agent of the County, to accept the donated Vehicle, Vehicle Identification Number 1FBNE3BL4EDA15010, valued at \$22,556.01 from the City.
2. Upon Board approval, instruct the Executive Officer Clerk of the Board to send a letter of appreciation to City Manager Kenneth W. Striplin, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Suite 300, Santa Clarita, California, 91355.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The donated Vehicle will be utilized by the Department's Santa Clarita Valley Sheriff's Station (Station) personnel for the Station's Vital Intervention and Directional Alternatives (VIDA) Program, Explorer Post, and the Youth Activities League (YAL).

The Station's VIDA staff mentors and instructs approximately 35 children during each 16-week program. In addition to their normal duties which include conducting home checks for participants, VIDA graduations, and annual events, the staff conducts several field trips and community service projects involving the VIDA participants during each 16-week program.

The Vehicle will be used to assist the YAL coordinator with accomplishing more than 30 annual field trips with the YAL children. These field trips include numerous visits to museums and theme parks throughout the southern California region, including out-of-county trips to Santa Cruz, San Diego, Yosemite, Reno, Tahoe, Santa Barbara, Oxnard, Kern County, San Luis Obispo, and Big Bear. Due to the growing success of the program, which currently has over 350 children registered, the Vehicle will assist with accomplishing these annual field trips.

The Vehicle will also be utilized by the Station's Explorer Post which consists of 35 explorers. The Explorer Post attends three annual explorer competitions, two of which are located outside of the County. The Explorer Post is also responsible for participating in the following Department sponsored functions: Special Enforcement Bureau Mud Run, LASD Chili Cook Off, Polar Plunge, Special Olympics, and the Santa Clarita Valley Fourth of July Parade. The Explorer Post also provides shuttle services for other Explorer Post sponsored events. The current passenger van is a 2001 model with more than 130,000 miles and will become the secondary support vehicle for the staff of these programs.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Acceptance of this Vehicle supports the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability; and Goal 3, Integrated Services Delivery. The donated Vehicle will provide an additional tool to support the Station's personnel, while also providing reliable transportation for all of the participants of the Station's programs.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no additional cost associated with this donation, other than routine maintenance and fuel costs, which will be paid for from the Department's Operating Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

California Government Code Section 25355 permits the County to accept donations or other gifts for public purpose. Donations in excess of \$10,000 must be placed on the Board agenda for the Board's consideration and acceptance.

This Board letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current Department services or projects as a result of this donation.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, please return one copy of the adopted Board letter to the Department's North Patrol Division.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim McDonnell". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and "M".

JIM McDONNELL

Sheriff

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