

The Honorable Members of the Common Council
200 East Wells Street, Room 202
Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: Asset Forfeiture Funds

Dear Council Members:

Pursuant to Common Council File #920252, adopted June 16, 1992, this file requests Common Council authorization for the Milwaukee Police Department to expend \$144,500 from its Asset Forfeiture Funds. The following is an itemized description of the anticipated expenditures included in the resolution. These expenditures are in accordance with the guidelines of the Federal Asset Forfeiture sharing program. All the items below were discussed in detail in the 2002 plan. This resolution will leave \$2,756.35 in the Asset Forfeiture Trust Account.

1. **MDT Maintenance Fees** **\$3,000**
This provides funding for the remaining “first-generation” mobile data terminals that use the Milwaukee County radio infrastructure for access.
2. **Canine Units** **\$8,000**
This funds the food, medical care and boarding for three drug-interdiction canines. The Department will not have canines without this item.
3. **Replacement Name Tags** **\$15,000**
The Department is experiencing problems with the reliability of its current nametags. This funding will be used to replace a **portion of these nametags with a new version that includes the American flag.**
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3. **TEU Supplies** **\$3,000**
The Department’s TEU unit conducts search warrants, which requires supplies and equipment to keep them safe in highly volatile and dangerous conditions. This item has been perennially funded from forfeitures, which are often directly related to this unit’s duties.
4. **Mounted Patrol Unit** **\$70,000**
The cost of leasing five horses for the Mounted Patrol includes all resources employed by the local stable.

5. Vehicle for Mounted Patrol Unit \$32,000
This would replace the 1985 Suburban currently used by the unit to pull the horse trailers.
6. Boat Motor Replacement \$10,000
The Department is in need of a replacement engine for the 2002 season. The current engine has had a number of costly repairs in 2001, and now needs replacement.
7. Surveillance Equipment \$3,500
This equipment helps the Vice Control and Intelligence Divisions conduct covert investigations and take photos and video footage as evidence safely.

Sincerely,

ARTHUR L. JONES
CHIEF OF POLICE

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