



ROCKY MOUNT
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE
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City Council Agenda

Date: August 23, 2021

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

Subject: AKC Reunite Adopt a K9 Cop Grant

Summary of Requested Action:

Staff is requesting authorization to apply for a \$7,500 grant through the AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant. Pending Council's approval, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute required documentation and certifications, including subsequent grant agreements. Funding will be used to purchase a canine for the police department.

Department Requesting Action: Police

Budgetary Impact: \$2,500.00 that is available in the budget

City Manager's Recommendation:

Recommend Approval. [Signature]
8/14/21



AKC REUNITE ADOPT A K-9 COP MATCHING GRANT GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION



AKC REUNITE ADOPT A K-9 COP MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM

AKC Reunite, through its Canine Support and Relief Fund, is working with AKC Clubs to donate K-9 police dogs to police departments around the United States. Many police department K-9 units are suffering budget cuts and they are unable to solicit money due to town and municipality codes. The donations from AKC Reunite and AKC Clubs allow the police department's need for a new K-9 to become a reality. AKC Reunite will match the funds raised by AKC Clubs three to one, not exceeding \$7,500.

APPLICATION OVERVIEW:

- Applicant must be a qualified Police Department
- Applicant must work with an American Kennel Club ("AKC") member or licensed club(s) to raise funds for the K-9.
- Applicant must agree to display the AKC Reunite logo on the K9 unit vehicle(s).
- AKC Reunite's contribution shall not exceed the lesser of 75% of the total cost or \$7,500.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

- Applications must be in writing on the designated form or in the approximate format provided. Do not remove or omit any of the application's questions. If a question is not applicable to your organization, please answer with N/A.
- To apply, submit the following application in a hard-copy format (Sections A, B, C D and E) Emailed versions are acceptable in portable document format (PDF) form only. Do not fax the grant application.
- Retain one copy of the application for your records. Multiple copies, videotapes or other attachments will not be accepted.
- Do not bind the application with staples or folders or put into binders, as we must be able to separate and copy the application. Paper clips and binder clips are permitted.
- You will be contacted by telephone or email if there are any discrepancies or concerns regarding the application.
- Applicants will receive a Grant Follow Up email from AKC REUNITE annually.

Applications can be sent to:

Megan Ault – Grant Administrator
AKC Reunite
8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 200
Raleigh, NC 27617

relief@akcreunite.org phone: 919-816-3980

MEMORANDUM



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To: Rochelle Small-Toney, City Manager
Cc: Robert Hassell, Chief of Police *RH*
From: Chris Ballard, Captain of Support Services *CB*
Date: 07/28/2021
Re: Intent to Apply for the AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant

Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to request authorization to apply for a grant through the AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant Program.

Discussion

AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant will provide funding to assist eligible police departments purchase police canines. The City of Rocky Mount's Police Department is retiring 1 police canine due to age and health reasons. The cost to replace a canine is approximately \$10,000.00 and this grant will offset that cost.

There is a local match required to receive AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant of \$2,500.00. The grant, if awarded, will match our \$2,500.00 contribution with up to \$7,500.00 towards the replacement cost of the canines. Staff would like to apply for said grant and any awarded funds towards the purchase of a new police canine to replace the one being retired. Any additional funds needed to cover the cost of replacement would come from the asset forfeiture account.

Staff's Request

Authorize Staff to submit the application to apply for the AKC Reunite Adopt A K-9 Cop Grant. Pending Council's approval authorize the Mayor, City Clerk, and/or appropriate Staff to execute the required documentation and certifications (including subsequent grant final application and agreements).

Please let me know if you have questions, concerns or need additional information.

Respectfully submitted,
Captain Chris Ballard

Handwritten signature of Chris Ballard.

Approved. *R. Small-Toney*
8/9/21