

FUNDING OF A VOLUNTARY GUN BUYBACK PROGRAM FOR THE DANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Gun violence has been a growing concern across the country and locally. In addition to being used for intentional acts of violence and suicides, firearms are dangerous weapons which can also be the source of accidental injuries. The Sheriff's Office is committed to assisting in the reduction of gun related injuries and deaths.

Some citizens who possess firearms may be unable to provide safe storage, or may no longer want the firearm in their homes due to a variety of reasons, including medical or mental health issues, accessibility to children or youth, or other concerns. Disposal of unwanted firearms is not typically a simple process.

Voluntary Gun buyback programs provide a safe legal means for citizens to dispose of unwanted firearms and prevent them from getting into the hands of someone who shouldn't have them. Although these programs may not have a direct impact on overall gun violence, it will reduce the number of firearms potentially accessible to children, youth and vulnerable individuals.

The Dane County Sheriff's Office, is partnering with the Madison Police Department to hold a voluntary Gun Buyback Event, which is tentatively scheduled for August 13, 2022. This is planned to be a "no questions asked event", allowing citizens to safely surrender unwanted firearms for destruction and receive gift cards for gas or groceries in exchange

In order to implement and conduct the Gun Buyback Program, the Sheriff's Office is requesting approval to utilize ARP funds in the amount of \$50,000 for the program. Of the allocated amount, \$12,000 would be utilize to fund staff overtime costs for the Sheriff's Office and the Madison Police Department and the remaining funding will be used toward the purchase fuel and grocery gift cards, facility use fees and supplies.

The Sheriff's Office further seeks authorization to accept public/private monetary and in-kind donations to supplement county funding for this event and potentially fund future events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that revenue line PSC 81367 "ARP Revenue" is increased by \$50,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that expenditure lines in the Sheriff's Office Field Division are increased as listed below \$50,000 is transferred from the General Fund to account lines Sheriff's Office, Field Services Division as follows:

Overtime - (SHRFFLD - 10027)	\$4830
Retirement Fund (SHRFFLD - 10099)	\$660
Social Security (SHRFFLD - 10108)	\$370
Workers Compensation (SHRFFLD - 10189)	\$140
Gun Buyback Program Expense (SHRFFLD NEW)	\$38,000
Gun Buyback Program MPD (SHRFFLD - NEW)	\$6,000
Total	\$50,000

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following budget lines be reduced:

ADMADM 30266 "UV Filtration"	(\$50,000)
ADMADM 81367 "ARP Revenue"	(\$50,000)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Sheriff's Office is authorized to accept public/private monetary and in-kind donations and is allowed to purchase gift cards for the Gun Buyback Program with county issued procurement cards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sheriff's Office is authorized to reimburse the City of Madison for assistance in staffing the event; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that all unexpended funds and unrecognized revenues from the above referenced account lines be carried forward until fully expended.