



SRT K9 UNIT FOUNDATION

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2021 GUIDELINES FOR K9 UNIT:

In conjunction with The Danny Ripepi Memorial Concert, the proceeds from this event will be distributed to Excel K9 Services, Inc. for the purchase of 4 Law Enforcement Departments/Agencies throughout the Northeast Ohio Region.

SRT K9 Unit welcomes applications, for support from November 22, 2021 to January 22, 2022. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted. SRT K9 Unit & A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Homes, Inc. will announce the selected departments/agencies on March 1, 2022.

ELIGIBILITY:

Any Law Enforcement Department/Agency in the Northeast Ohio Region.

REQUIREMENTS:

Please submit all of the following items and information in one proposal. Incomplete applications will not be accepted and may not be notified.

Proposals must include the following:

- A brief background on the department.
- **FOR EXISTING K9 UNITS:** Demonstrated success of the K9 unit, including the number of K9 calls received annually and a summary of how the K9 unit has previously been funded.
- **FOR NEW K9 UNITS:** Please outline the need for a new K9 unit and give an estimate of anticipated K9 related calls. In addition, include documentation proving the K9 has been approved by all necessary parties, if applicable.
- Give a description of how your department utilizes the K9 unit for Public Relations.
- What is the Demographic of your department location, (population, Median Income & crime rate).
- A K9 specific budget. Do not send the entire department/agency budget.
- How does your department/agency envision the K9 unit assisting with the law enforcement mission.
- What other specialize units does your department have.
- Please explain how the K9 unit will continue to support and sustain itself in the coming years.
 - *10 year financial commitment*
 - *\$2,000.00/year veterinary care*
 - *\$1,500.00/food allowance*
 - *16 hours per month state required maintenance training*
 - *Officer commitment - work schedule & home environment inspection.*
 - *Department will be required to provide & outfit a vehicle to K9 spec's.*
 - *Officer compensation to care for K9 at home (FSLA)*
 - *Handler Leave, must commit to a minimum of 6-week training at Excel K9 Services – Hiram, Ohio*
 - *Yearly State Certification through the State of Ohio*
- SRT K9 Unit & The A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Home Board must interview the K9 Candidates.
- Awarding Departments/Agencies must sign a release of liability for SRT K9 Unit & A. Ripepi & Sons Funeral Homes, Inc.

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2021 APPLICATION FOR THE SRT K9 FOUNDATION:

Department Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Website: _____

Commanding Officer: _____ Title/Position: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

If you are requesting start-up funds for a new K9 unit, does your department require pre-authorization from City Council or a similar entity? YES NO

If YES, has the acquisition of a K9 unit been approved? _____

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