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Pete Krall, Lieutenant
Sparks Police Department
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Dear Mr. Krall:

We are in receipt of your grant request dated June 21, 2016 requesting \$37,650.00 for the purpose of purchasing a new police K9 and associated training and equipment. We are proud to have provided the funding for the first two K9s to your department and are pleased that they have contributed to the success of your mission over the years. We have received a number of requests for K9s from various police agencies throughout Northern Nevada and have funded many of them. We believe that K9s add a needed dimension to the abilities of police agencies to succeed in their mission.

We are concerned that we have become the "go to" Foundation for the funding requests for K9s and training. While we are still interested in funding K9s since our Founder, Helen Close, had a great love of dogs and supported first responders during her life time, we also feel that other parties should also provide funding. In your case, I would expect the City of Sparks would have the ability to budget for an additional K9 as outlined in your grant request to us. Additionally, there are other charitable foundations that make grants throughout the year and may have an interest in providing funds.

As a matter of policy, we have decided that we will provide \$10,000.00 towards the cost to acquire the dog, associated equipment and training costs. We will reimburse the City of Sparks this amount once the dog and equipment and first patrol school have been paid and receipts forwarded to us. Unfortunately, we have made reimbursement a requirement due to another police agency not providing a report to us after repeated attempts over 18 months to obtain the disposition of the funds provided them.

Please let us know your interest in pursuing the grant request to us. Should you wish to proceed, please send us a letter of interest based on your grant proposal to us and accepting the conditions outlined above.

Sincerely,



Kenneth E Stieha Jr
President