

Item Title: Accept and Appropriate Federal Forfeiture Funds into the Grants and Donations Fund for the Wake County Sheriff's Office (WCSO)

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners accepts and appropriates \$1,000,000 of Federal Forfeiture Funds in the Grants and Donations Fund for the purchase and upkeep of investigative equipment in the Wake County Sheriff's Office.

Item Summary:

Purpose: In accordance with the North Carolina Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act, the Board of Commissioners must approve all amendments that increase the budget for a fund.

Background: Federal Forfeiture Funds are distributed to local law enforcement organizations to provide additional funding for regular investigative operations as authorized by the Federal Government. Wake County Sheriff's Office regularly receives disbursements in accordance with federal regulations and utilizes those funds to support investigative efforts within the County. These funds will be used for the purchase and upkeep of vehicles, communications equipment, professional services, and computer equipment.

Strategic Plan: This action supports Public Safety Goal 3: By 2029, reduce the wake County violent crime rate per 100,000 people in Wake County by 5%.

Fiscal Impact: The FY2025 expenditures related to this effort are estimated to be \$1,000,000. These expenditures are supported by an increased appropriation of Federal Forfeiture revenue. This action will increase the FY2025 expenditure and revenue budgets of the Wake County Sheriff's Office by \$1,000,000.

Attachments:

1. Grants and Donations Budget Memo