

PREVENTION CONCEPTS AND SOLUTIONS IMPLEMENTATION OF K-9 UNIT (RE: K-9 BICE) FOR CLAYTON TWP.

OVERVIEW

Prevention Concepts and Solutions is pleased to submit this proposal for services to support Clayton Township Police Department in achieving its goals related to establishing a K-9 Unit by providing the K-9 (re: K-9 Bice) and necessary training and certifications, as well as fundraising for essential equipment, veterinary care, food, insurance, and other related costs.

The Objective

The purpose of establishing a K-9 Unit within Clayton Township Police Department is to provide a valuable asset, partner, and team member who will improve community policing outcomes and expand the scope and breadth of police operations.

- Need #1: Increase community and officer safety and department productivity
- Need #2: Enhance department-community relations
- Need #3: Increase efficiency and effectiveness in policing

The Opportunity

This is an amazing opportunity to cost-effectively enhance Clayton Township PD's ability to protect and serve its community, while improving qualities of life for Veterans, First Responders, and others in the community.

- Goal #1: Secure community support and resources
- Goal #2: Establish K-9 Unit policy and procedural manual
- Goal #3: Secure necessary equipment for K-9 Unit
- Goal #4: Secure necessary training and certifications for K-9 Team

OUR PROPOSAL

Prevention Concepts & Solutions provides services and supports for veterans, first responders, and others in our communities. Our mission is to improve qualities of life for Veterans, First Responders, and others by providing Canine-Assisted Interventions combined with Mental Fitness Training and, as a result, have the ability to donate specially trained Police K-9s to law enforcement, and Psychiatric Service, Emotional Support and Therapy Dogs to Veterans.

Through our experience, education, and research, we discovered that in many instances, traditional, treatment approaches, alone, were not successful in mitigating symptoms related to mental, emotional, and/or physical health. Working from this contextual understanding, our organization developed alternative approaches in addressing one's health and wellness goals. From a holistic perspective, and in reference to one's hierarchy of needs, we have created a program that synthesizes resiliency and recovery processes; by combining Canine-Assisted Therapy and Activities with Mental Fitness Training, we have developed a unique health and wellness model.

Specific to canine development and outcomes, our team of volunteers offers a wealth of experiences (over 50 years combined) related to the rearing, raising, evaluating, and training of canines. We also have established strategic partnerships with highly reputable organizations to assist with canine training and certification processes specific to nationally recognized, law enforcement guidelines.

Through our volunteer and partner networks, as an organization, we have been successful in preparing several k-9s for careers in law enforcement. In 2018, we have placed two Police K-9s with departments in Michigan. One, K-9 Lucky, who was named in honor of fallen officer, Darren "Lucky" Weathers, is working for the Wayne State Police Department and has been instrumental in keeping the Wayne State University campus and surrounding community safe from drugs and crime. The second, K-9 Doss,

who was named in honor of fallen officer, Glenn Doss Jr., is finishing up his training with the West Bloomfield PD, and he will be a valuable asset to the department and community for many years.

Clayton Township PD has a well-deserved reputation for quality police work; however, human officers, even the most well-trained, are not biologically equipped to perform certain tasks, especially concerning tracking fugitives and detecting drugs and explosives. Their canine partners, in contrast, are born with a unique olfactory system (sense of smell) that provides them with the ability to detect and discern the faintest of odors; in fact, dogs have around 300 million smell receptors (humans have 5 million), which makes them invaluable, crime-solving assets. Working from this understanding, our organization seeks to provide the supports, services, and resources necessary to establish a K-9 Unit within Clayton Township PD; the K-9 Unit will enhance existing strengths within the department and expand the scope and breadth of the department's abilities to safely, and cost-effectively, protect and serve the community.

Rationale

Research has shown that K-9 teams are more effective and efficient at building searches, drug detection, and fugitive apprehension, along with improving community relations, perceptions of safety, and officer safety and department morale.

- Favorable cost-benefit solution to expanding community policing outcomes
- Adding an extremely effective marketing tool to improve community relations
- K-9 Units are crime deterrents
- Supporting the missions of Clayton Twp. PD and Prevention Concepts and Solutions

Project Approach

Our strategy incorporates sound methods, extremely qualified and dedicated personnel, and a highly collaborative approach to implementation. We consider this a partnership with Clayton Twp. PD and the surrounding community and, as such, our team will be working hand-in-hand with department and community leadership to ensure all the pieces are in place to make this a successful endeavor. Because we are a volunteer-driven organization (no one gets paid for this work), our team's energy derives from a passion for serving our community.

Resources

- K-9 Bice (1-year-old, female, German Shepherd), who was named in honor of fallen officer, Tammy Bice (purchased, raised, and trained by Prevention Concepts and Solutions)
- K-9, protective vest (donated by community members)
- 1 year of dog food (sponsored by Magoos)
- Training and USPCA certification through Skooby Do's & Don'ts
- Highly talented team of trainers and mentors

Project Deliverables

Following is a complete list of all project deliverables:

Deliverable	Description
Police K-9	K-9 Bice, named in honor of fallen officer, Tammy Bice, is a 1-year-old, German Shepherd who is currently pre-trained for police work and will be fully trained and certified at the time of the donation.
Training & Certifications	5-week, Canine Handler and Certification course through Skooby Do's and Don'ts; K-9 team to be certified through the United States Police Canine Associates (USPCA).

Training Equipment	Aggression sleeve, tracking harness, leashes, collars, muzzles, and other related equipment.
K-9 Package for Vehicle	K-9, Kennel insert for 2013 Ford Explorer; temperature control and remote door control
Vetinary Care	Secure sponsorship of vetinary care
Protective Vest	Secure donations for K-9 protective vest
Food/Nutrition	Secure dog-food sponsorship
Policy Manual	Develop policy manual in collaboration with Clayton Twp. PD

Timeline for Execution

Key project dates are outlined below. Dates are best-guess estimates and are subject to change until a contract is executed.

Description	Start Date	End Date	Duration
Project Start	1/1/2019	03/23/2019	12 weeks
Introduce Handler to K-9 Bice and start basic training	1/23/2019	2/14/2019	3 weeks
Presentation to Clayton Township Board of Trustees for approval of K-9 Unit	2/14/2019	2/14/2019	1 day
Start of Canine Academy	2/15/2019	3/22/2019	5 weeks
Graduation and Donation of K-9 Bice at our Hound, Heroes, & Hope Event	3/23/2019	3/23/2019	1 day
Secure donations and sponsorships to cover costs of start-up	1/1/2019	3/23/2019	12 weeks
Develop k-9 Unit Policy Manual	1/23/2019	2/14/2019	3 weeks

EXPECTED RESULTS

Financial Benefits

- K-9 officers save 600-1,000 human hours every year
- Drug seizure and civil forfeiture (these numbers vary, but range in 100s of thousands in seized assets)
- Average cost of K-9 officer - \$2.80/hr. Average cost of human officer - \$38/hr. (Anderson, 2010).

Community Benefits

- Search and rescue (apprehension of fugitives and finding missing persons/children)
- Perception of safety

- Reduced drug activity and crime
- Stronger police-community relations
- Preventing escalation of force
- Providing mental health, substance use, and trauma-related services and supports for Veterans and First Responders (through our PACK program)

PRICING

The following table details the pricing for services and materials outlined in this proposal:

Item Description	Start-up Expenses
K-9 Bice (1-year-old, female, German Shepherd) *pre-trained for dual purpose	\$7,500
1 Protective Vest	\$1,000
K-9- Handler Academy (Skooby Do's and Don'ts)	\$5,000
Training equipment (leash, harness, tracking line, collar, etc.)	\$300
Vetinary Care (1 year)	\$500
Insurance (1 year)	\$1,000
K-9 Package for Vehicle (kennel insert, temp monitoring, and remote door control)	\$5,000
K-9 Law presentation for Handler and Supervisor (Attorney John Peters)	\$1,000
Food and Nutrition (1 year)	\$750
Total, Start-up Expenses	\$22,050
*Our goal is to fundraise for the \$22,050, thus making the start-up cost to Clayton Twp. \$0	

*Disclaimer: The expenses listed in the preceding table are an estimate for the services and materials discussed. This summary is not a warranty of final price

QUALIFICATIONS

Prevention Concepts and Solutions is continually proven to be an industry leader for high-quality k-9s in the following ways:

- Over 50 years of combined experience in raising, evaluating, and training k-9s
- Trained and certified in animal behavior and animal-assisted therapy
- Successfully raised, trained, and donated 3 police k-9s to law enforcement
- Successfully raised, trained, and donated 3 Service Dogs to Veterans
- Developed and implemented canine-assisted programs for Veterans and First Responders

CONCLUSION

They patrol our streets and schools; they sniff out narcotics and explosives; they apprehend fleeing criminals; they locate crucial evidence; they find missing persons and children. Indeed, K-9 officers protect and serve our communities with dignity and grace; however, they are also cherished family and community members, as well as trusted partners and allies. It is not by chance that our mission revolves around the healing power of canines; everyone involved with our organization has been positively impacted through their experiences and interactions with dogs.

Having placed three police canines with departments, we understand the financial and logistical challenges associated with starting and maintaining a K-9 Unit. This understanding allows us to account for any unseen obstacles, thus making our organization effective in guiding Clayton Twp. PD through the implementation process. We stand ready and willing to devote all of our talents and resources towards making this project a success.

We look forward to working with Clayton Township Police Department and supporting your efforts to implement a K-9 Unit. We are excited and honored for this opportunity and stand ready to meet any challenges ahead.

If you have questions on this proposal, feel free to contact us at any time (Jason Foltz is the main contact for this project).

Thank you for your consideration,

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