



Nassau County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Bill Leeper

July 15, 2021

Honorable Thomas Ford
Chairman, Board of County Commissioner
96135 Nassau Place
Yulee, FL 32097

Re: LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND

The Nassau County Sheriff's Office is wishing to remove \$25,000.00 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund to donate to the Florida Sheriffs Association Youth Ranches Camp Sorensen, which is located at 607 Retreat Aces Road in Hilliard on the west side of Nassau County.

Camp Sorensen summer camping programs will teach boys and girls team-building activities while having fun with volunteer deputies. Camp activities include high ropes, challenge course, swimming, canoeing, archery and a host of traditional camp activities. Strong and devoted leadership is the key to a successful camping experience. The staff includes volunteer deputies, college students, graduates, teachers, and other professionals committed to helping boys and girls become productive, law-abiding citizens in order to reduce crime.

Camp Sorensen will provide an opportunity for Nassau County Deputy Sheriffs and other law enforcement volunteers to get personally involved on a positive level with children in our community. During the remainder of the year, Camp Sorensen will offer programming related to leadership, diversity, athletics and team-building through community partnerships.

The Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch has been improving the lives of at-risk children since 1957, and is credited with helping more than 165,000 children and families in Florida.

Pursuant to Florida State Statute 932.7055, the County in consultation with the Sheriff must expend monies from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund for crime prevention programs in the County. As such, I am requesting that the County approve the use of \$25,000 for the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Camp Sorensen.

Sincerely,

NASSAU COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "Bill".

Bill Leeper
Sheriff

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