

SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Item # 40

**SUBJECT:** Law Enforcement Trust Fund Expenditure for Project Graduation 2006.

**DEPARTMENT:** Sheriff's Office **DIVISION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZED BY:** Sheriff Eslinger **CONTACT:** Penny Fleming **EXT.** 6617

**Agenda Date** 2/28/06 **Regular**  **Consent**  **Work Session**  **Briefing**   
**Public Hearing – 1:30**  **Public Hearing – 7:00**

**MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval by the Board of County Commissioners to contribute \$14,000 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund to provide funds for "Project Graduation" to Seminole County high schools.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Seminole County Sheriff's Office is requesting \$14,000.00 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund to provide funds for an alcohol and drug free celebration for Seminole County high schools on graduation night.

The Seminole County Sheriff's Office strongly supports the expenditure of these funds as an alternative to irresponsible and reckless behavior on graduation night. "Project Graduation" is a collective effort involving concerned parents, students, faculty, and law enforcement to ensure a safe environment for our graduating seniors as they celebrate their completion of high school. Through the efforts of those involved, "Project Graduation" is offered to high school seniors as a means to prevent tragic events relating to drunk driving and drug usage. Each student who attends "Project Graduation" agrees to arrive and remain substance free throughout the celebration.

The following seven high schools have requested funds for 2006: Lake Brantley High School, Lyman High School, Winter Springs High School, Oviedo High School, Lake Mary High School, Seminole High School and Crooms Academy High School. The Sheriff's Office would contribute \$2,000 to each school to partially offset their expected expenditures.

This request complies with Chapter 932.7055(4)(a), Florida State Statutes. The State/Local Forfeiture Fund Cash Balance prior to this commitment is \$28,962.84

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