

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-54

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2014-125 TO PROVIDE FOR AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$177,000

WHEREAS, GCRTA is involved with the multi-jurisdictional Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force; and

WHEREAS, GCRTA derives revenue from seized and confiscated monies and/or properties of convicted drug dealers prosecuted by the Task Force; and

WHEREAS, guidelines instituted by the Office of the United States Attorney restricts the use of these funds for law enforcement purposes; and

WHEREAS, GCRTA has funds available in the Law Enforcement Fund and would like to use \$177,000 of these funds; and

WHEREAS, the Transit Police Department intends to use these funds for unbudgeted law enforcement purposes to purchase personal protective equipment for Police Officers; specialized supplies and equipment for the Emergency Services Teams and K-9 Teams; various materials and supplies to support law enforcement activities; and for maintenance and improvements to the Transit Police fitness center; and

WHEREAS, no appropriation was made in the 2015 budget as this expenditure was unexpected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

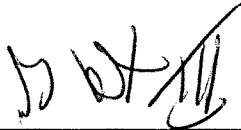
Section 1. That Resolution No. 2014-125 be hereby amended as follows:

<u>LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND</u>		
	<u>2015</u> <u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Amended</u> <u>2015</u> <u>Appropriation</u>
34 TRANSIT POLICE		
Law Enforcement Fund	\$85,000	\$262,000

Section 2. That Resolution No. 2014-125 shall remain unchanged in all other respects.

Section 3. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: May 19, 2015

  
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President

Attest:   
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CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer




Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority  
**STAFF SUMMARY AND COMMENTS**

TITLE/DESCRIPTION: AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$177,000	Resolution No.: 2015-54
	Date: May 14, 2015
	Initiator: Office of Management & Budget
ACTION REQUEST: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Review/Comment <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

- 1.0 PURPOSE/SCOPE: This action will amend the 2015 Appropriations Budget in order to appropriate funds in the Law Enforcement Fund.
- 2.0 DESCRIPTION/JUSTIFICATION: In 1988, RTA became involved with the multi-jurisdictional Caribbean/Gang Task Force – now known as the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force. RTA's involvement was prompted by the increased gang activity found in and around the rail system. In addition to the benefits of intelligence gathering and inter-department relations, RTA derives revenue from seized and confiscated monies and/or properties of convicted drug dealers prosecuted by the Task Force.  

The Office of the United States Attorney has instituted certain guidelines for the reporting and disbursement of funds including restricting the use of the funds for law enforcement purposes only. As such, the Transit Police Department would like to use these funds in the amount of \$177,000 for unbudgeted law enforcement purposes to purchase personal protective equipment for Police Officers; specialized supplies and equipment for the Emergency Services Teams and K-9 Teams; various materials and supplies to support law enforcement activities; and for maintenance and improvements to the Transit Police fitness center.
- 3.0 PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: Does not apply.
- 4.0 POLICY IMPACT: This action is consistent with the policy guidelines for use of funds derived from the Northern Ohio Law Enforcement Task Force, i.e. the funds must be spent for law enforcement purposes.
- 5.0 ECONOMIC IMPACT: This resolution recognizes an estimate of expenditures out of the Law Enforcement Fund in the amount of \$177,000.
- 6.0 ALTERNATIVES: Since GCRTA can only use these funds for law enforcement purposes, the only alternatives to appropriating these funds within the Law Enforcement Fund are to return the funds or to keep them on balance for use by Transit Police at another time.
- 7.0 RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board adopt this resolution as proposed.
- 8.0 ATTACHMENTS: None.

Recommended and certified as appropriate to the availability of funds, legal form and conformance with the Procurement requirements.

  
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CEO, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer