

GASTON COUNTY BUDGET CHANGE REQUEST

TO: Earl Mathers COUNTY MANAGER

FROM: 4315 Sheriff's Office
Dept. # Department Name

Department Director's Name Date

TYPE OF REQUEST:

☐ Line Item Transfer Within Department & Fund

☐ Line Item Transfer Between Funds *

☐ Project Transfer Within Department & Fund

☒ Additional Appropriation of Funds *

☐ Line Item Transfer Between Departments*

* Requires resolution by the Board of Commissioners

ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION (As it appears in the budget)	ACCOUNT NUMBER	AMOUNT
	Fund - Function - Dept - Division - Object - Project	Whole Dollars Only
	xxx - xx - xxxx - xxxx - xxxxx - xxxxxx	(See Note Below)
Fund Balance Appropriated	010-99-9900-0000-490000	{52,100}
K-9 (bomb/drug FY 18)	010-02-4315-4315-560000-18125	52,100

JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:

The Sheriff's Office requests the purchase of three additional K-9s for the detection of explosives and narcotics in the jail. Presently, the Sheriff's Office has one K-9 trained in explosives. The purchase consists of two K-9s trained in narcotics and one in explosives. The addition of these K-9s is critical. Jail staff are finding increased numbers of inmates receiving mail laced with Suboxone (narcotic) strips, drugs found during shakedowns, and situations where drugs have been left around the premises. In addition to the K-9s, funding for a K-9 vehicle and accessories (vehicle kennel insert, painting, radio and siren) is needed to ensure the K-9 Unit is fully operational. With the opioid epidemic reaching an all-time high, jails across the country are dealing with an increased number of inmates addicted to drugs – Gaston County is no exception. This purchase would allow the Sheriff's Office to adequately combat the crisis.

Note: Decreases in expenditures & increases in revenue accounts require brackets. Increases in expenditures & decreases in revenue do not require brackets. Please note that transfers between funds require interfund transfer accounts.