



Gaston County

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Board of Commissioners
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Police Department

Board Action

File #: 25-229

Commissioner Hovis - Police Department (Animal Care and Enforcement) - To Accept and Appropriate Donations Received from The Estate of Melba Dodie Reese in the Amount of **\$2,388.89**

STAFF CONTACT

Chief S.M. Zill - County Police - 704-866-3321

BUDGET IMPACT

General Fund: Increase donation revenues by \$2,388.89 and appropriate \$2,388.89 into the Miscellaneous Supplies/Expense account. No additional County Funds needed.

BACKGROUND

The Gaston County Animal Care and Enforcement has received a donation in the amount of \$2,388.89 from The Estate of Melba Dodie Reese in the amount of \$2,388.89. Animal Care and Enforcement request these funds be accepted and transferred.

POLICY IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Budget Change Request (BCR), Donation Letter Request, The Family of Melba Reese Letter

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

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GASTON COUNTY									
BUDGET CHANGE REQUEST (BCR)									
TO:	Matthew Rhoten, County Manager								
FROM:	<table><tr><td>GPD-201</td><td>Animal Control</td></tr><tr><td>Dept. Code</td><td>Department Name</td></tr><tr><td>S.M. Zill</td><td>4/23/25</td></tr><tr><td>Department Director</td><td>Date</td></tr></table>	GPD-201	Animal Control	Dept. Code	Department Name	S.M. Zill	4/23/25	Department Director	Date
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☐ Line-Item Transfer Within Department & Fund
☐ Project Transfer Within Department & Fund
☐ Line-Item Transfer Between Departments
☐ Line-Item Transfer Between Funds*
☒ Additional Appropriation of Funds*

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JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:

Gaston County Animal Care and Enforcement requests funds be accepted and transferred into the above listed account. These funds were donated from the estate of Melba Reese in her honor by the family. Animal Care and Enforcement requests these funds be accepted and transferred.



GASTON COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT


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Telephone: (704) 866-3320 Fax: (704) 866-3314
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Stephen M. Zill
Chief of Police

Captain Kyle Yancey
Animal Care & Enforcement

To: Gaston County Commissioners

From: Captain E.K. Yancey 

Date: 04/23/25

Ref: ACE Donations

The attached unsolicited donation was received from **The Estate of Melba Dodie Reese** in the amount of **\$2,388.89**. An attached letter states that this money represented the final distribution from the Estate of Ms. Reese with no conditions. This letter request that these donations be accepted into the GCACE Donations Expense Account for use by Gaston County Animal Care and Enforcement upon approval by the Gaston County Commissioners.

The Family of Melba Reese

P.O. Box 2
Cramerton, NC 28032

April 11, 2025

Gaston County Animal Care & Enforcement
P.O. Box 479
Dallas, NC 28034

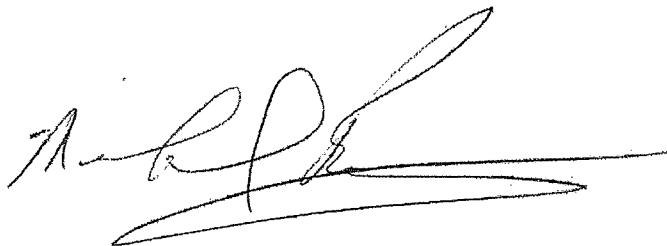
Dear Sir,

In January of this year Melba passed and we are working through the estate. One of our items is to donate the funds from her campaign account. As Melba was an avid believer in your program and even adopted several of your k-9s, we could not think of a better institution to receive these funds. Please accept the enclosed check and use it as you see fit to help the animals in your care.

Sincerely yours,

The Family of Melba Reese

Melba Reese

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, likely belonging to Melba Reese, written over a horizontal line.