

ORDINANCE NO. 044, 2024  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS  
APPROPRIATING PRIOR YEAR RESERVES RECEIVED BY CITY  
GIVE FOR FORT COLLINS POLICE SERVICES FOR THE SAFE  
FUTURES INITIATIVE

A. Like many law enforcement agencies across the nation, Fort Collins Police Services (“FCPS”) is adopting new industry practices for victim-centered services by hiring civilian professionals for forensics, fraud, and criminal investigations.

B. Traditionally served by uniformed police officers, this new approach offers a proactive, comprehensive victim-centered approach to public safety and leverages candidates from accounting, criminal justice, and forensic disciplines, who desire to serve their community.

C. The Fort Collins Safe Futures Fund is a designated charitable fund to support the operational needs for innovative, victim-centered police services to address the impact crime has on victims, their families, and witnesses; leverage technology-based skilled investigative resources; assist in the identification of victims of human trafficking; and prevent the sexual exploitation of the most vulnerable members of our community.

D. The purpose of this item is to request appropriation of \$80,000.00 in philanthropic revenue received by City Give for Fort Collins Police Services for the Safe Futures Initiative.

E. The charitable support represents a range of generous local giving: \$50,000 from one donor, and \$30,000 from the second donor, with all gifts designated for the sole purpose of the Safe Futures Initiative.

F. This appropriation benefits public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Fort Collins and serves a public purpose of protecting our most vulnerable population of citizens by investigating crimes and holding perpetrators of those crimes accountable.

G. Article V, Section 9 of the City Charter permits the City Council, upon the recommendation of the City Manager, to make supplemental appropriations by ordinance at any time during the fiscal year from such revenues and funds for expenditure as may be available from reserves accumulated in prior years, notwithstanding that such reserves were not previously appropriated.

H. The City Manager has recommended the appropriation described herein and determined that this appropriation is available and previously unappropriated from the General Fund and will not cause the total amount appropriated in the General Fund to exceed the current estimate of actual and anticipated revenues and all other funds to be received in this Fund during this fiscal year.

I. Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter authorizes the City Council to designate in the ordinance when appropriating funds for a federal, state or private grant

or donation, that such appropriation shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year in which the appropriation is made, but continue until the earlier of the expiration of the federal, state or private grant or donation or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant or donation.

J. The City Council wishes to designate the appropriation herein for Safe Futures Initiative donation as an appropriation that shall not lapse until the earlier of the expiration of the grant or donation or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant or donation.

In light of the foregoing recitals, which the Council hereby makes and adopts as determinations and findings, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby appropriated from prior year reserves in the General Fund the sum of EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$80,000) to be expended in the General Fund for the Safe Futures Initiative.

Section 2. The appropriation herein for The Safe Futures Initiative is hereby designated, as authorized in Article V, Section 11 of the City Charter, as an appropriation that shall not lapse at the end of this fiscal year but continue until the earlier of the expiration of the grant or donation or the City's expenditure of all funds received from such grant or donation.

Introduced, considered favorably on first reading on March 19, 2024, and approved on second reading for final passage on April 2, 2024.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Interim City Clerk

Effective Date: April 12, 2024

Approving Attorney: Dawn Downs