

## City of Margate Police Department

ACCREDITED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY



## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Jonathan Shaw, Acting Chief of Police

FROM: Michael Palma, Captain

DATE: September 21, 2017

SUBJECT: Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act

In accordance with the Florida Contraband Act, the Margate Police Department is required to expend or donate no less than twenty five percent of the fiscal years total collection of state forfeiture funds. To meet this requirement, an additional \$8,100.00 must be donated to charitable organizations within the guidelines of Florida State Statute 932.7055.

We are requesting \$5000.00 be donated to the Margate Police Explorer Program Post #97, which is a non-profit organization under the Boys Scouts of America and is a permissible entity to receive the donated funds. This is an organization that has a close working relationship with the Margate Police Department.

Upon speaking with Sergeant Lee Edstrand who is the advisor of the program, having a donation will provide a multitude of resources that he struggles to obtain on a yearly basis. The need to provide the youth of the Margate Explorer Post includes but is not limited to uniforms, equipment, fees associated with registration fees, competition fees, travel, and conducting training classes for the youth members.