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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the donation of funding for the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), Rampart Area's Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) Program for the benefit of the LAPD, Rampart Area and the community it serves.

Recommendation for Council action:

ACCEPT the donation of funding for the LAPD, Rampart Area's DART Program, valued at \$45,609.10, from the Los Angeles Police Foundation, for the benefit of the LAPD, Rampart Area and the community it serves; and, THANK the donor for this generous donation.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Board of Police Commissioners (Board). Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Board dated October 14, 2016, attached to the Council file, the LAPD recommends that the Board approve the donation of funding for the LAPD, Rampart Area's DART Program from the Los Angeles Police Foundation for the benefit of the LAPD, Rampart Area and the community it serves.

The LAPD reports that the donation is for the benefit of Rampart Area and the community it serves. The DART Program is a collaborative effort between the Department and Children's Institute, Incorporated, a non-profit organization specializing in the treatment and prevention of child abuse and neglect. The program will provide victims of domestic violence with immediate crisis intervention and emergency assistance at the onset of the abusive event and continuing throughout the investigative and judicial process. This program will ultimately reduce the likelihood of future incidents, injury, or the escalation and severity of the abuse, while helping to break the cycle of violence and create safe and secure neighborhoods. The perception of the LAPD by domestic violence victims will be improved by building trust and relationships between the LAPD and the community. The collaboration with DART will also allow Rampart Area officers and detectives to focus their efforts on apprehending and prosecuting the batterers. The Los Angeles Police Foundation will provide vendor direct funding to support Rampart Area's DART Program.

At the meeting held on December 6, 2016, your Public Safety Committee considered this matter. An opportunity for public comment was held. After a brief discussion, the Committee recommended that Council approve the donation of funding for the LAPD, Rampart Area's DART Program for the benefit of the LAPD, Rampart Area and the community it serves, as recommended by the Board, as detailed above.

This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
BONIN:	YES
O'FARRELL:	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT

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