

Kerry Cronin

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Sent: Friday, June 9, 2023 2:51 PM
To: Kerry Cronin
Cc: Sarah Wheaton; Nicholas Lukovsky; Ryan C. Morris; Richard McLaughlin
Subject: Re: FW: Duluth, MN Fallen K9

Ms. Cronin,

Please know that the Stanton Foundation is here to provide and stand behind the grant for Fallen K9 Luna. Once the replacement K9 is chosen and an invoice is received, please send me a copy of the invoice (electronic) and a check will be disbursed shortly thereafter (up to \$15,000.00). Again please accept our sincerest condolences on the loss of K9 Luna from everyone here at the Stanton Foundation. If there are any questions , please feel free to contact me.

Have a great weekend,

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On Thu, Jun 8, 2023 at 10:19 AM Kerry Cronin <kcronin@duluthmn.gov> wrote:

Good morning Chief,

Our department lost K9 Luna on February 25th, 2021 in the line of duty. We applied for, and received, an award from your organization to support our department in obtaining and training a new K9.

Later that year, I explained to Bryce that our staffing levels continued to decrease throughout the year, making it impossible for us to dedicate a full time officer to our K9 unit. At this time, we are happy to report that the tide is

changing and we intend to dedicate a handler early next year. We have reserved a seat in the 2024 K-9 school with the St. Paul Police Department.

My question to you, are we past the point of utilizing this award to help us return our K9 program to its prior levels? If a conversation would be helpful, I will be available to you most any time to share what you need to know. I've attached a copy of our application for your information. I have also copied Deputy Chief Nick Lukovsky and Ryan Morris in the case you may wish to speak with one of them.

I appreciate your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Kerry Cronin

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