



Policy For Use of Drug Forfeiture Funds

Purpose statement

The purpose of this policy will be to provide guidelines regarding the use and reporting of the uses of drug forfeiture funds.

Statutory Authority

State law (Title 15, Section 5826) provides for the distribution of drug forfeiture assets and allows the municipal officers to accept such assets. State law does not provide guidelines for the use of drug forfeiture assets, but allows the municipality to develop guidelines for such use.

Eligible Uses for Drug Forfeiture Funds

The Waterville Police Department will use forfeiture assets to conduct and support on-going drug investigations, over-time costs, training, protective equipment, weapons, vehicles, technology and other goods and services that are necessary for the safety of the officers and the general public. The City Council may determine to apply said assets to other City budget needs.

Reporting Requirements

The Police Chief with approval of the City Manager, shall have the authority to expend forfeiture funds in amounts not to exceed \$10,000 in a fiscal year for activities directly related to the Police Departments operations and drug investigations. All uses of drug forfeiture monies in excess of \$10,000 will require Council approval in the form of an approved resolution.

APPROVED

Waterville City Council
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