



## JANUARY NEWSLETTER



### 2018 Grants Spotlight

Every year the Seattle Police Foundation utilizes the generous contributions of our fellow citizens and funding partners to enhance the Seattle Police Department's efforts through funding projects that provide vital safety equipment, training, and innovative community programs. By supporting grants in these funding areas, our public-private partnership allows the Seattle Police Department to better serve Seattle's public safety needs.

Below are just a few of the grants SPF funded in 2018.

#### **ARROWHEAD FORENSICS FLARE PLUS ALS LIGHTING KIT**

The Forensic Photo Unit plans to expand its forensic capabilities by purchasing a portable Alternate Light Source System (ALS). New technology has made this ALS system portable so it can be used at crime scenes and in laboratory settings. Photographers will be able to locate and identifying potential evidence which would otherwise go unseen.

The impact of the purchase through this grant will enhance SPD's relationship with the community by reassuring the community of Seattle that SPD investigates crimes thoroughly with excellent police work and cutting-edge technology.

#### **METAL BARRICADE CARTS**

Fencing barricades are often used by officers during street festivals and demonstrations around Seattle. The fencing equipment is stacked and stored on carts to allow them to be transported when needed. The wooden carts currently used are old and in terrible disrepair.

With funding from the Capitol Hill Block Party, the Seattle Police Foundation grant will fund the creation of new metal carts. These carts will be durable and effective, allowing officers to set up for road closures, events, and incidents safely and effectively. They will also provide a lasting solution to the storage concerns for the number of barricades, and allow them to be easily relocated by staff without damage or injury.

#### **SOUTH PRECINCT ROLL CALL ROOM MURAL**

The roll call room is where patrol officers start their shift. It is a chance to start the day off on a positive note, boost morale, and can serve as a motivator to provide the best policing. Many officers who work in the South Precinct have been feeling a lack of morale due to negativity around policing. With help from SODO BIA, the Seattle Police Foundation's grant will provide a new mural in the South Precinct roll call room.

South Precinct Captain Kevin Grossman said:

*"Seeing this mural will serve as a daily reminder of the people, places, and activities we love and are*

here to protect. Photos help us remember the past and preserve memories. SPD's motto - 'Service, Pride, and Dedication' together with photographs showing the best of our precinct would serve as an encouraging place for our officers to start their shift, which will help motivate them to continue building the strong relationships with the community that this work requires."

### VEHICLE MOUNTED MOUNTAIN BIKE RACK

The South Precinct Bike Unit has used an ineffective van to deploy officers. The van has been difficult to work with especially when equipment and officers are in multiple locations.

SPF's grant to the unit will allow for a bicycle rack to be purchased. The new equipment will allow for 9 SPD Mountain Bikes to be rapidly deployed in any area the South Precinct serves, enhancing patrol efforts in the community and making it easier to respond to calls for service.

Officer Bruce Case shared the following about what this support means to him:

*"Being awarded the grant for the vehicle bicycle carriers is going to change the way the South Precinct Mountain Bicycle Squad deploys. First, we can use the department patrol vehicles, something we could never do before as a unit. Due to the large area covered by the South Precinct, we have been constrained to a smaller area. With the racks, we can load up and take the bikes where we are needed, becoming a better used asset to the already strained patrol officers. Also, we can quickly deploy all over the city to the large range of events where people are expressing their 1st Amendment rights, which is very cumbersome with our current means of transportation. Finally, we can better cover the whole precinct, having better access to a computer to do records checks and write reports.*

*I cannot put into words how important this is to us as bicycle officers. The Seattle Police Department is known throughout the nation for use of the bicycle for modern day policing and with approval of the grant, we've been made even better."*

For more information on all the 2018 grants, click [here](#).



## Cop-I-Con

The first ever SPD Cop-I-Con will provide opportunities for community members to come together with officers.

**When:** February 18th, 2019 10:00am - 3:00pm

**Where:** 2203 Airport Way S, Building C

### LEARN

- 911 Communications
- Gang Unit
- Youth Violence Prevention Programs
- SPD Navigation Team
- Law and the Community "Know Your Rights"
- Narcotics and DUI

### MEET

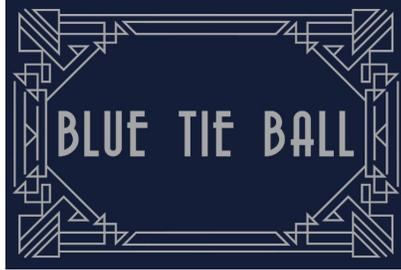
- SWAT
- Bomb Squad
- K9
- Hostage Negotiation Team
- Mounted (Horse) Patrol
- Motorcycle Unit
- Bike Patrol Units

### ENJOY

- Food
- Jumpy House
- Kids bike obstacle course
- Photo Booth
- Detective Cookie's Chess Club

## Save the Dates!





September 21, 2019



November 1, 2019

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