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TO: **Board of Finance and City Council**

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VIA: Lise E. Veronneau, Business Administrator
BURLINGTON FIRE & POLICE DPARTMENTS

DATE: February 28, 2013

RE: FY 13 – Budget Amendments and Accept Donation from Queen City Police Foundation

The **Burlington POLICE Department** respectfully requests approval to accept a $5,400 donation and reflect increase in expenditure to help pay for the CARES Program in FY 13.

INCREASE Revenue:

Donation Account	101-17-050-4950	$ 5,400

INCREASE Expenditure:

Medical Fees	101-17-050-6200	$ 5,400

Twenty-first century law enforcement is increasingly complex and demanding. Beyond the physical demands is repetitive exposure to demanding and dangerous situations as officers and other members of our staff bear witness to the worst of human behavior.

For the last three years we have been working in a number of ways to foster a more supportive and resilient work environment to reduce absences, attrition, and erosion of capacity. As an extension this work, beginning January 3, 2012, the Police Department has engaged a licensed clinician to provide coaching, counseling, training, family support, and supportive supervision guidance, among other things.

The Police Department has made the initial $5,000 contribution for the first part of FY 2012 and FY 13 In FY 12, the City WELLNESS Committee contributed the other $5,000. We are fortunate, in FY 13 to have the Queen City Police Foundation making a donation to fund an amount of $5,400 to help continue the program through the end of FY 13.

Thank you in advance for approving the associated budget amendment to increase the expenditure budget accordingly.