

REPORT TO THE BOARD OF MAYOR & ALDERMEN

DATE: January 12, 2026

FROM: Dale Lane, Police Chief

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Cash Donation (\$1,000.00) from the Telugu Association of Memphis

INTRODUCTION:

The purpose of this Agenda item is to consider the acceptance of \$1,000 in cash donations made by the Telugu Association of Memphis.

BACKGROUND:

The Telugu Association of Memphis (TAM) is a non-profit cultural organization dedicated to preserving and promoting Telugu language, culture, and traditions while fostering strong community connections across the Mid-South. Based in Collierville, Tennessee, TAM hosts cultural, educational, and social events that bring families together, support youth engagement, and provide meaningful support and outreach to the broader community through service and charitable initiatives.

DISCUSSION:

The Telugu Association of Memphis, as part of its commitment to community support and outreach, expressed a desire to donate \$1,000 to the Collierville Police Department. The association indicated the donation was intended as a gesture of appreciation for the department's service to the community and did not specify a particular use for the funds. The Collierville Police Department plans to apply the donated funds toward its Unmanned Aerial Unit (UAS/Drone Program), specifically to assist in outfitting an existing trailer that will be deployed at the scene of incidents to support operations by housing specialized equipment and providing workspace for personnel during active incidents.

BUDGET IMPACT:

A budget amendment request will be submitted to appropriate these funds to help purchase equipment for the UAS Unit.

ATTACHMENTS:

[Donation - Telugu Association of Memphis.pdf](#)

PROPOSED MOTION:

To accept a \$1,000 donation to the Collierville Police Department from the Telugu Association of Memphis.

Board Action: Motion By _____ Seconded By _____

Vote Total	Hall	Jordan	Robbins	Marshall	Stamps	Fraser
Yes						
No						
Abstain						