

Post Office Box 2174 Nevada City, CA 95959 Tax ID 81-4177437

July 24, 2024

Nevada County Sheriff's Office 950 Maidu Ave. Nevada City, CA 95959

Re: Grant Award and Agreement for

Congratulations! We are pleased to inform you that Rüdiger Foundation (RüF) has approved your grant up to \$10,7000. These Grant funds are intended to cover the costs associated with the training of Handler Ramos and K9 Officer Riggs as well as the outfitting of K9 Officer Riggs, as outlined in the Nevada County Sheriff's Office formal request proposal (See attachment A). This grant approval covers the funds requested in Attachment A and will be in place for the term of one (1) year from the date of this letter. Requests for on-going training, one-time expenses and medical care will be contingent upon funding and reviewed annually as part of Rüdiger Foundations Annual Budget.

The offer of this grant is subject to the following terms:

- 1. The Nevada County Sheriff's Office herein after NCSO, agrees that the K9 grant provided by Rüdiger Foundation shall be used to cover the costs and only the costs set forth in Attachment A, and that these grant funds will not be used for any other department activities.
- 2. NCSO designates Training Sgt. Jason Clinkinbeard, to correspond directly with Rüdiger Foundation regarding K9 matters. He can be reached by email at Jason.Clinkinbeard@nevadacountyca.gov on M/T/W/Th. If the designee's job duties change, they will provide Rüdiger Foundation with an appropriate alternate contact before leaving their position.
- 3. NCSO will attend a minimum of one (1) board meeting quarterly to update Rüdiger Foundation on all Rüdiger Foundation Sponsored K9 team's activities, health, training and on-going expenses.
- 4. New K9 handlers will meet with and introduce themselves to the Rüdiger Foundation Board prior to funding.
- 5. NCSO will provide itemized receipts for costs to be reimbursed from grant funds.
- 6. NCSO K9 Team (handler and canine) will make every reasonable effort to attend and participate in the annual Paw & Order Fundraiser. The Rüdiger Foundation will provide the K9 team and a plus one with an event ticket which includes dinner on the night of this event. The Rüdiger Foundation requests confirmation of attendance or lack thereof seven (7) days prior to the event, except in the case of injury/illness or public safety incident.
- 7. The NCSO K9 team will participate in a minimum of two (2) community/donor events in support of the Rüdiger Foundation in addition to the Paw & Order Fundraiser. Additionally, the NCSO will provide photographs for The Rüdiger Foundation to use on their social platforms and other promotional materials when requested.

The Mission of the Rüdiger Foundation is to provide local law enforcement with K9 resources that demonstrate and enhance an appreciated, supportive work environment, encourage constituency education and connectivity, and foster a safer, healthier community.



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If the Nevada County Sheriff's Office agrees to these terms, please have an authorized representative sign, and return a copy of this agreement. We appreciate being able to continue to support your agency and K9 program in a mutually beneficial way for both our organizations.

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| Shauneen Deschaine<br>Rüdiger Foundation Treasurer |
| n this Grant Award:                                |
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## Attachment A

## NEVADA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



## SHANNAN MOON

SHERIFF/CORONER
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR

July 8, 2024

Rüdiger Foundation PO Box 2174 Nevada City, Ca. 95959

Re: Request for funding to support training and outfitting of K9 "Riggs" and his handler Deputy Kayla Ramos

Dear Rüdiger Foundation Board:

As you're all aware, the Nevada County Sheriff's Office recently made the decision to retire one of our service dogs, Canine Ranger. With the decision to retire Ranger, our office opened recruitment for a replacement handler. That recruitment resulted in two candidates, Deputies Kayla Ramos and Breaden Ross, successfully completing all tests and both were ultimately selected to be handlers for our office.

During the testing process, Deputy Ramos presented our office with a proposal for her to bring her retired former law enforcement K9 "Riggs" out of retirement to be her partner. Following this offer, K9 Riggs was evaluated both by our contract training agency, D-Tac K9, as well as Grass Valley Veterinary Hospital and has been deemed to be healthy and capable of once again performing as a law enforcement K9.

Your Board has already approved funding to reimburse our office for the purchase of a replacement K9 for Ranger and to train and outfit a corresponding handler. With Ramos' offer to bring Riggs out of retirement, this would allow our office to bring on an additional K9 at virtually no cost for her dog. Our office already has enough vehicles to outfit two additional K9 teams, so our request is that Rudiger Foundation further authorize reimbursement funding to support Deputy Ramos' attending the 6-week handler's course with Riggs, the purchase of a suitable kennel and concrete pad, and any miscellaneous equipment needed.

March 25, 2024

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Below are estimated costs for the items needed.

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| \$<br>700.00   |
| \$<br>1,000.00 |
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## **Total Funding Request**

\$10,700.00

The Sheriff's Office greatly appreciates the ongoing support we've received from Rüdiger Foundation and recognizes we'd not be where we are today with our canine program if it were not for our strong partnership.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Shannan Moon

Sheriff-Coroner