



Toledo-Lucas County Police Athletic League, Inc.
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Board of Trustees

To City of Toledo Councilmembers,

President

Scott Noonan

My name is Scott Noonan. I currently serve as President of the Toledo Police Athletic League Board and I appreciate your consideration of financial support for the organization and its efforts toward construction of the multi-purpose athletic field on the current vacant lot situated in front of our current facility (located at the former Leverette school building on Manhattan Blvd.)

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The purpose of this letter is to provide further clarification of what the City of Toledo's financial investment would constitute along with the fundraising plan revolving around the multi-purpose field. For multiple decades, Toledo Police Athletic League has envisioned a multi-purpose field to serve as a literal and symbolic staple of the community and region. The \$350,000 financial ask from the City of Toledo has a sense of immediacy due to the intention of the Board and its staff, Sergeant Ron Paris and Officer Kim Darrington, to capitalize on our goal to break ground and complete construction of this project to provide more opportunities for our youth to have athletic programming as an alternative to potential negative experiences they may encounter. The time is now for the City and PAL to provide a community bridge between law enforcement and the future of the citizenry of this region and a multi-purpose field would definitively serve that purpose.

Director

Sergeant Ron Paris

PAL Officer

Officer Kim Darrington

I also wanted to take the time to further explain the fundraising mechanism and planning I, along with the Board and Sgt. Paris/Officer Darrington, have envisioned. Along with the \$350K ask from the City, and an \$80K commitment from our coffers, I have indicated a fundraising goal of between \$750,000 and \$1 million. Based on the expert opinions provided surrounding the potential costs of the field construction, it was safely estimated to be around \$500,000 at the time. With external factors, such as inflation and increased labor costs, and the intention of the Board to fundraise for the remaining construction project costs AND maintenance of the field going forward, the goal for the \$750K-\$1 Million goal was to utilize the potential investment of the City of Toledo to create a robust and exciting fundraising plan to present to community organizations, private institutions, governmental entities, and the general public at large. Using my experience being at United Way, I have always envisioned this fundraising project to be geared around the field and its future maintenance to create the buy-in and support necessary to cover all bases (pardon the pun). While it may seem like a lofty goal, please note that the City of Toledo's

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investment is vitally important to this plan as its commitment would carry serious weight and appreciation towards our fundraising efforts. Also please note that ALL fundraising will be geared around this field and its future since our organization wants this field to serve as a beacon of collaboration, excitement, pride and positive imagery for the region in the local and national spotlight.

In conclusion, on behalf of the Toledo Police Athletic League, thank you for your consideration of this matter and I hope this letter provides clarity and I hope that you will support our ask and take witness to the positive direction that this field will provide to the region and its future generations.

Sincerely,

Scott A. Noonan