

LARIMER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Public Safety

Date:	December 6, 2017
То:	Citizens of Larimer County
From:	Sheriff Justin Smith
Subject:	Larimer Retired K9 Foundatior

Sadly, citizens receive solicitations from time to time from fraudulent organizations purporting to help local law enforcement causes.

I want to assure you that the <u>Larimer Retired K9 Foundation is the real deal</u>. The foundation was the brainchild of one of our agency volunteers who sought ways to help deputies who chose to adopt their K9 partners after their retirement from service to the LCSO. She created this 501(c)(3) foundation to connect supporters to these retired K9s and their partners.

These dogs work tremendously hard and sometimes in very harsh condition during their years of service and unfortunately, many of them experience physical ailments after their retirement from active service. We don't want to separate deputies from their K9 partners, so we allow those deputies to adopt their former K9 partners after they have been retired from active service. However, we are not able to expend public funds for medical care for the K9s after they have retired from service. That is where the privately funded foundation steps in.

The Larimer Retired K9 Foundation seeks donations of funds and services needed for these dedicated K9 service animals, so that they can make the most of their retirement.

Your generous donations go 100% to support these retired community K9 heroes.

Look up office telephone number on the web and give us a call if you want to confirm the legitimacy of the foundation.

Respectful Justin/Smith

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