



SHERIFF MICHAEL J. NAVARRE

LUCAS COUNTY

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Jerusalem Township Trustees
9501 Jerusalem Road
Curtice, Ohio 43412

TO: Mr. Mark Sattler
Mr. David Bench
Mr. Beau Miller

RE: Township Patrols

Dear Township Trustees:

Earlier this year, you were advised that the Lucas County Sheriff's Office would no longer provide police service to your township effective January 1, 2023 without proper compensation for the services rendered. Jerusalem is the only township in eastern Lucas County. We have traditionally assigned one (1) deputy sheriff around the clock, seven (7) days a week when feasible.

Including proper supervision, investigative follow-up, vehicles, and fuel, the cost for providing one deputy exceeds \$750,000 annually. This does not include overtime, training, and equipment expenses. Currently, your township pays Lucas County nothing for law enforcement services. As I stated, this is no longer sustainable. Having said that, I do recognize that paying for the total cost of one deputy around the clock may not be fiscally possible for your township.

At this time, I am requesting that you notify me what your intentions are for 2023. Many important decisions regarding personnel assignment, vehicle purchases, and equipment acquisition need to be made in calendar year 2022. Knowing what our Road Patrol and Investigations Section will look like impacts those decisions. I am seeking a \$262,500 commitment from Jerusalem Township for 2023. This represents 35% of the cost of one (1) deputy 24/7 and corresponds with the percentage of "calls for service"

among the six (6) townships in Lucas County which share the services of one (1) deputy. If this amount is not fiscally possible, I would request that you then consider paying half that amount (\$131,250 annually) and receive police services for twelve (12) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. If you choose to continue to pay nothing, then the service that you have traditionally received will discontinue.

Please contact me if you have questions or seek further clarification regarding this matter.

Sincerely,


Michael J. Navarre
Lucas County Sheriff

cc: Tina Skeldon Wozniak, President
Pete Gerken, Commissioner
Gary Byers, Commissioner
Matt Heyrman, Deputy County Administrator
Megan Vahey-Casiere, County Administrator