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Foundation Makes Grant to the Police Department for tactical light and holster systems

PALM BEACH GARDENS, FL (December 22, 2010) – The Palm Beach Gardens Police Foundation announced today that it had made a significant financial grant to the Police Department for the purchase of new tactical light and holster systems to outfit the department's patrol officers.

The new tactical high-performance, high-output, multifunction LED weapon light will be mounted on each officer's pistol. A specially designed holster to carry the weapon and light in a very secure way, while still allowing quick access by the officer, will also be provided.

"It is not unusual for our police officers to conduct high-risk searches in dark areas of buildings and homes. In the past and when appropriate, officers had to draw their firearm and at the same time aim a flashlight in the area being searched. It's often difficult to handle these two pieces of equipment, along with a radio and other items in a high-stress situation" said Police Chief Stephen Stepp. "The new equipment is a vast improvement because it enhances the officers' capabilities and provides an added measure of officer safety. Keeping our officers safe and efficient ultimately allows them to provide a higher level of service to the community."

Tom Murphy, Foundation President said: "This grant is in line with our mission of supporting the outstanding men and women of the Palm Beach Gardens Police Department by funding projects and programs that are beyond the scope of the current City budget."

About the Palm Beach Gardens Police Foundation

The Palm Beach Gardens Police Foundation is a non-profit entity holding IRS 501(c)(3) status. Its mission is to provide funding for equipment and innovative Police Department projects, not available from the city's budget, that serve the community, improve communications, and foster excellence in policing.

For more information about the Foundation visit their website at www.pbgpf.org

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