

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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Agenda Date: January 17, 2023

In Control: Public Safety Committee Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: William McManus, Chief of Police

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Lights On! Program Briefing

SUMMARY:

The Public Safety Committee will be provided with a briefing about a new program the San Antonio Police Department is implementing called Lights On!

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Lights On! Program is committed to strengthening police-community relations in cities across the country by promoting positive interactions between residents and police officers through the issuance of taillight/headlight repair vouchers by local law enforcement agencies.

The San Antonio Police Department has entered into a five-year agreement with Lights On! to implement the voucher program in San Antonio. The program will provide \$20,000 annually in bulb repair vouchers with Lights On! contributing \$10,000 annually. The H-E-B Corporation will

contribute \$10,000 for the first year of the program. The SAPD will seek sponsorships for future years.

The Department will implement this program in the South, West and East Service Areas to provide repair vouchers in areas consistent with the City's Equity Atlas. Motorists observed with broken vehicle lights are provided a voucher up to \$250 toward the repair of the light at a participating auto repair center.

Lights On! will work to develop partnerships with auto repair centers in the identified areas to accept the repair vouchers and perform the necessary repairs. It is anticipated that Lights On! will secure agreements with auto repair centers in March 2023.

ISSUE:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The H-E-B Corporation will contribute \$10,000 for the first year of the program. The SAPD will seek sponsorships for future years. The agreement can be terminated at any time by either party.

ALTERNATIVES:

This briefing is for information purposes only.

RECOMMENDATION:

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