

## RALPH M. TERRAZAS FIRE CHIEF

August 15, 2019

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS FILE NO. 19-102

TO:	Board of Fire Commissioners
FROM:	Ralph M. Terrazas, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: REQUEST APPROVAL OF DONATIONS FROM GRATEFUL HEARTS

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## **SUMMARY**

On May 10, 2019, the West Valley-Warner Center Chamber of Commerce coordinated the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Grateful Hearts Food Fair and Fundraiser. The event is sponsored by Douglas Emmett Inc. in appreciation to the local first responders in the Warner Center area in Council District 3. The proceeds from the event help to support the local fire stations in Battalion 17 and the Topanga police station. This year \$20,000 was raised and pledged to seven (7) fire stations in Battalion 17 of Operations Valley Bureau and the Department's Crew 3 volunteer program. Each fire station was pledged a donation of \$2,700 and Crew 3 was pledged \$1,100. Upon approval and receipt, the referenced amounts will be deposited into the respective fire stations and Crew 3 accounts at the Los Angeles Fire Department Foundation. The Foundation will manage and disperse the donations to the fire stations and Crew 3 in accordance with Department and City policy.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Board:

- Receive this report for the approval and receipt of \$20,000 donation to the fire stations in Operations Valley Bureau Battalion 17 and the Department's Crew 3 Volunteer Program.
- 2. Request the Commission Executive Assistant to transmit this report to the Mayor's Office in accordance to Executive Directive No. 3 and to the City Council in accordance with the Los Angeles Administrative Code, Ordinance 15514, Article 12, Section 5.111.4, for consideration and approval.

## CONCLUSION

The Los Angeles Fire Department benefits tremendously from gracious donations and support from business and community associations. The Grateful Hearts event has been a successful event held annually over the last 13 years. Operations Valley Bureau and Battalion 17 acknowledges Douglas Emmett Inc. and the West Valley-Warner Center Chamber of Commerce for their efforts and generosity.

Board report prepared by Battalion Chief Thomas Gikas – Commander Battalion 17 B Platoon.