## EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM



Date:

11-28-11

To:

**Sheriff Wiles** 

From:

Lt. Hebeker through Chief Deputy Aguilar

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Subject:

Commissioners Court Item to Accept Donations for PAWS in Detention

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I am submitting the following agenda item for Commissioners Court approval:

## **AGENDA ITEM**

Approve and authorize the El Paso County Sheriff's Office to accept donated equipment and money in support of the PAWS in Detention inmate vocational program on an ongoing basis as long as the program shall exist.

## **JUSTIFICATION**

The El Paso County Sheriff's Office (EPCSO) PAWS in Detention program is an inmate vocational/educational program in compliance with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards Rule 287.1 – Education and Rehabilitation Programs. Utilizing community partners such as the Humane Society, Animal Rescue League, and the City of El Paso Animal Services, the EPCSO is providing instruction in kennel upkeep, basic dog obedience training, and basic Animal Care Technician training. In conjunction with other integrative programs, the aim of PAWS in Detention is to provide job skills in an effort to reduce recidivism.