

Sample Support Letter

Buxton Police Department

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August 25, 2021

Chief (Ret.) Richard McLaughlin
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Dear Chief McLaughlin,

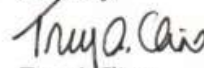
I am writing this letter to show support for the Buxton Police Department to acquire a K9 and train an officer.

I have been the Chief in Buxton for the past five (5) years and am personally aware of numerous times my department was unable to get a K9 response when needed. Having our own K9 Team would allow our department to handle these situations without requiring an outside agency to send their K9 Team out of town.

The Buxton Police Department has never had a K9 and have seen a dramatic increase in drugs being transported through our community. Currently if an officer stops a vehicle that requires the attention of a Drug Detection K9, we have a limited window to wait for it. Previously we have had to rely on other law enforcement agencies to provide their K9 if available. This creates a significant delay if the K9 not nearby and prolongs the traffic stop in some instances.

The issue of a K9 has been brought to the Buxton Board of Selectmen. They agree and fully support such an endeavor. I look forward to working with The Stanton Foundation and will make sure the program is a success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Troy A. Cline".

Troy A. Cline
Chief of Police

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Dear Chief McLaughlin

Please accept this letter as evidence of the Town of Buxton's enthusiastic support for the creation of a K-9 program at our police department. At one of our recent meetings with Chief Troy Cline our Board of Selectmen heard about the value the program would bring to the law enforcement activities engaged in by our department in addition to the impact it would have on public safety for those who live and work in the Town of Buxton.

While our department can use the K9 units from partner agencies in the area, there is often a waiting period which ties up the limited resources of our department, if the unit is available at all. The Town of Buxton is eager to establish its own unit to have this resource readily available, in addition to the other benefits such a program carries.

As you can imagine, support from the Stanton Foundation K9 Grant Program will be eagerly appreciated and help our Town achieve something we otherwise do not have the resources to accomplish. Your consideration of our request is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your time and please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. Peters", written over the word "Sincerely,".

Thomas J. Peters, Chairman
Board of Selectmen