

# Narrative

## January 3, 2023

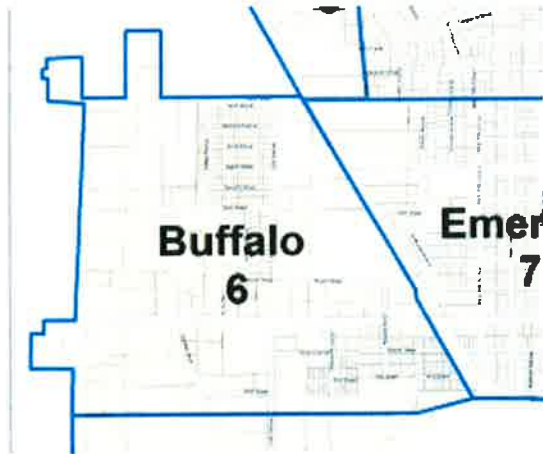


### RESOLUTION – DONATION ARMOR TESTUDO GEN 2 LEVEL III VEST

The Alliance Police Department participates in the National Faith and Blue partnership which occurs annually in October (<https://faithandblue.org/>). This program enhances relationships with officers and the faith community.



**FAITH & BLUE**



All patrol officers in the city of Alliance are assigned a beat <https://www.cityofalliance.net/430/APD-Community-Partnership-Program-Initia>. Within their patrol beat they host quarterly meetings to interact with the community. These beat meetings gather feedback and educate the community as well as the police department. As part of the fourth quarter beat meeting, officers are encouraged to reach out to the faith leaders in their beat and attend a service in whatever capacity the faith institution desires. Sometimes it is for prayer and other times to receive applause for their service to the community.

Officer McGlaughlin is assigned Beat 6 which is the Buffalo Beat. The Alliance Evangelical Free church (<http://www.efcalliance.com/>) is within this beat. Art Lorensen, a member of the church asked officer McGlaughlin if they could purchase shields for the police department. Officer McGlaughlin advised the police department has 4 new shields but could use plate carrier vests. Mr. Lorensen stated the church was going to donate a vest.

On November 22, 2022 Mr. Lorensen met with the chief advising they had purchased a vest to donate to the department. He advised the vest has a value of approximately \$350. The vest would be useful for high risk entry situations with ratings to stop rifle rounds. The department has plans in the 2023 strategic plan to start outfitting officers with this type of vest for active shooter situations and this vest would compliment this.



The vest is valuable in extreme circumstances for officers to wear when a person is armed with a rifle. They are not for everyday use or wear. They are to be worn over the existing uniform and vest to provide the additional stopping power.

The proposed resolution would authorize the donation of One (1) AR500 Armor Testudo Gen 2 Level III Vest.

**RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DONATION OF AR500 ARMOR TESTUDO GEN 2 LEVEL III VEST WITH A VALUE OF APPROXIMATELY \$350.**

RESOLUTION NO. 23-01

*WHEREAS*, The City of Alliance provides law enforcement services for the citizens of Alliance; and

*WHEREAS*, The Alliance Evangelical Free church would like to donate one (1) AR500 Armor Testudo Gen 2 Level III Vest to the Alliance Police Department; and

*WHEREAS*, The vest would be beneficial for high risk entry situations; and

*WHEREAS*, The City Council believes it is in the best interest of the City of Alliance to accept donation from The Alliance Evangelical Free church.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, that the donation of one (1) AR500 Armor Testudo Gen 2 Level III Vest to the Alliance Police Department be accepted on behalf of the Alliance citizens.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2023.

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Mike Dafney, Mayor

(SEAL)

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tarrah S. Johnson, City Clerk

Approved as to Form and Legality:

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Simmons Olsen Law Office, Legal Counsel