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Dear K9 Program Manager,

I am writing to express my strong support for the establishment of the K9 program in our town, as outlined in the Stanton K9 Unit Establishment Grant. As the Police Chief for the Oxford Police Department, I have witnessed firsthand the tremendous benefits that K9 units can bring to law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve.

The introduction of a K9 program in our town would greatly enhance the capabilities and effectiveness of our police force. K9 units possess a unique set of skills and abilities that complement traditional policing methods. Through specialized training and exceptional instincts, police dogs excel in various law enforcement operations, including search and rescue, drug detection, suspect apprehension, and community engagement. These are large areas that our agency has struggled with in the past.

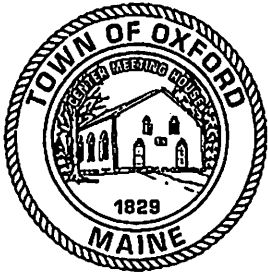
I wholeheartedly endorse the Stanton K9 Establishment Grant and kindly request the support of the Stanton Foundation in making this program a reality for our town. I am confident that the establishment of a K9 program will have a lasting positive impact on our police force, our community, and the safety of our residents.

Thank you for your commitment to making a difference in law enforcement and for considering our request. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (207)539-4414 x 2.

Sincerely,

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To whom it may concern:

Over the last many years, we have seen a significant increase in drug related incidents here in Oxford. At this time the Police Department relies on any department with this region of the State for K9 services. Once called, it can take up to one hour or more for the department to respond, assuming the K9 unit is available. These wait times along with sporadic availability hampers enforcement and detection allowing drugs to remain on the streets. For these reasons, I am supportive of the Oxford Police Department's efforts to pursue the K9 program.

Thank you,

Adam Garland
Town Manager