



K-9 fund-raising account opened at local bank

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YREKA - The Yreka Police Department (YPD) may have a new K-9 program sooner than anticipated.

According to YPD Lt. Rick Riggins, the fund-raising efforts to finance the K-9 program have been very successful thus far.

Riggins said he is encouraged by the amount of support from both small and large donors, including business owners and service groups.

The large donors include Larry Stidham of Stidham Trucking, who donated \$6,000 to the cause, Karl Greiner, owner of Gold Rush, Inc., who gave \$1,000, and Craig Hill, owner of NorCal Products, who volunteered to purchase the dog.

After seeing a K-9 demonstration by the Sheriff's Department, Riggins was also contacted by a Yreka Girl Scout group who offered to organize a fund-raiser for this project.

"It's just great the way the community is responding to this project," Riggins said.

Riggins said he plans to contact various businesses throughout the community, requesting help in this effort.

An account specifically earmarked for this project has been opened by Riggins at the Scott Valley Bank in Yreka.

People interested in making donations can contact Lt. Riggins at the YPD at 841-2300 or make donations directly into the K-9 account at Scott Valley Bank.