



Council Agenda Form

MOTION #		DRAFT #
DATE SUBMITTED:	DATE TO GO BEFORE COUNCIL: LEAVE BLANK	
SUBMITTED BY: McClellan		
CO-SPONSORS: Sandino, Simasek		
DEPARTMENT: Legislative		

TITLE OF MOTION: School Emergency Preparedness Kits

RECOMMENDATION: I move the Mayor and Council allocate an amount not exceeding \$60,000 for the purchase of trauma kits and coordination of training for Hyattsville-serving schools and City-located facilities to use in the event of an emergency.

SUMMARY BACKGROUND:

Gun violence continues to be of extreme concern in various public spaces across the United States. With recent school shootings and a delay in emergency services being able to enter schools when a shooting happens, trauma kits can serve to lessen or stop the bleeding that can lead to more serious concerns or death before medical attention can be received. While there is a much larger conversation to be had about the root cause of gun violence, trauma kits can serve to save lives in the aftermath of an active shooter attack in Hyattsville's public schools. In addition to schools, these kits would be placed in frequented public buildings in the City of Hyattsville, determined by City Staff.

Trauma kits typically include gloves, tweezers, blood-clotting gauze, tourniquets, biohazard bags, etc. and can range in size and price. In addition to gunshot wounds, trauma kit can be used to care for more extreme injuries caused by stabbings, vehicular collisions, and other bodily injuries. Easy access to trauma kits and training can save lives.

These kits require very little upkeep, as most of the supplies in the kit do not expire or do not expire quickly. The kits would need to be routinely checked every 2-3 years (or after use) to ensure they have all the supplies available and in good condition.

ANTICIPATED STAFF RESOURCES REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT:

- Research and purchase trauma kits from an independent organization for each classroom in each Hyattsville-serving school
- Plan, conduct, and assess trainings for school faculty and administration
- Deliver trauma kits to each school, for each of their classrooms

NEXT STEPS:

- Work with school leaders to determine the number of trauma kits needed for each classroom.
- Work with City Staff to determine locations for trauma kits in publicly accessible facilities and event spaces (e.g., Multi-Generational Center, City Building, etc.)
- Schedule and conduct trainings for school faculty and staff and City Staff.
- Order and deliver trauma kits to each school and City-located facility.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR / DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR COMMENT:

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: Sent as an attachment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

STRATEGIC GOALS AND ACTIONS:

LEGAL REVIEW REQUIRED?: Yes

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