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## **Feeders Supply to Partner with Louisville Metro Police Foundation for Protective Vest of LMPD K9 Officers**

*Feeders Supply Will Accept In-Store Donations and Match the First \$1,000 in Donations*

LOUISVILLE, KY (November 26, 2019) – Feeders Supply is teaming up with Louisville Metro Police Foundation to purchase protective vests for Louisville Metro Police Department’s K9 Narcotics Detection Officers, Maverick, Ripley, and Yuma.

“Our K9 Officers do so much to keep our community safe,” stated Tracie Texas Shugart, Executive Director of Louisville Metro Police Foundation. “They stand ready to give their lives for us. It’s important that we do what we can to keep them safe in return.”

Starting November 25th and running through December 31<sup>st</sup>, all Feeders Supply locations will accept donations for the protective vests for Maverick, Ripley, and Yuma.

“Feeders Supply is honored to be joining forces to ensure LMPD’s K9 Officers receive life-saving protective vests,” said Brannon Dixon, CEO of Feeders Supply Company. “Customers will be able to donate at any Feeders Supply locations now through the holidays, and Feeders Supply will match the first \$1,000.”

Maverick is a 6-year-old Belgian Malinois who hails from the Netherlands and has been serving Louisville for 4 years. Ripley is a 3-year-old female Belgian Malinois from Hungary. She has been serving for the community for 1 1/2 years and Yuma is a 3-year-old Shepherd Malinois mix who has been with LMPD for a little over a year.

This past August, the three K9 Officers competed at the K9 Olympics and finished in First Place as a team in narcotics detection. Yuma individually finished third in overall points and Maverick individually finished first in residential narcotics detection. Both Yuma and Maverick were purchased by the Louisville Metro Police Foundation.

The protective vests cost around \$2,500. For more information or to find a Feeders Supply store, please visit [www.feederssupply.com](http://www.feederssupply.com). For more information on Louisville Metro Police Foundation, please visit [saferlouisville.org](http://saferlouisville.org).

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### **About Feeders Supply Company:**

Feeders Supply, “The Pet Lovers Store” is Kentuckiana owned and operated since 1959. It is recognized as a premier retailer of pet foods and pet supplies. Since 1988, the company has been partnering with area rescue organizations including the Kentucky Humane Society to assist with pet adoption events at our stores, as well as permanent adoption centers in seven store locations. Over 50,000 animals and counting

have been adopted through these partnerships. In addition to the pet adoption, Feeders Supply assists with raising money for animal charities, as well as donating pet food and cat litter to animal rescues and shelters. With 23 stores, Feeders Supply is proud to serve the Louisville, Southern Indiana, Shepherdsville, Shelbyville, LaGrange, Elizabethtown, Frankfort, Lexington and Northern Kentucky areas. Learn more at [feederssupply.com](http://feederssupply.com).

**About Louisville Metro Police Foundation (LMPF):**

Founded in 2005, the Louisville Metro Police Foundation is committed to making Louisville a safer place to live, work and visit, one officer at a time. As an independent, private nonprofit organization—the only organization authorized to raise funds on behalf of the Louisville Metro Police Department—LMPF uses donations to finance essential equipment, training and programs for the men and women in blue of the LMPD and their families.