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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **The Myth About Moving Money Around**

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. issued the following statement on comments made by county officials regarding his ability to “move money around.”

County Executive Chris Abele and Chairman Lee Holloway continue to indicate that my budget gives me the flexibility to “move money around.” I find that laughable in that I couldn’t move money around to prevent 48 deputies from being laid off under Abele’s budget, approved by the county board.

In fact, Abele sued me in court to force me to implement his layoffs. Where was the flexibility then? Where do they suggest I move the money from? Inmate programming?

A reduction of \$12 million only allows me to move money to fill gaping holes that exist from the layoffs. The people of Milwaukee County are smart, and they know this is nothing more than political spin from the county executive and county board. Abele and Holloway need to have the courage to stand behind their decimation of public safety in Milwaukee County.

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