



**Jason E. Mumpower, Comptroller of the Treasury**

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## **Former Cordova High School Baseball Booster Club President Stole Money**

An investigation by the Tennessee Comptroller's Office has resulted in the indictment of Tarus Anderson, the former president of the Cordova Homerun Booster Club in Shelby County. The booster club's purpose is to support the Cordova High School baseball team.

The investigation began after school officials reported Anderson's improper use of booster club funds during her time serving as president from August 1, 2019 through August 1, 2020.

Comptroller investigators determined that Anderson misappropriated at least \$6,815 from the club for her own benefit. This includes a \$6,000 booster club check written to Anderson as well as two cash withdrawals totaling \$815.



It should be noted that Anderson later paid back \$1,000, and she used an additional \$145.95 from the proceeds of the \$6,000 check to purchase t-shirts for the baseball team. This leaves a remaining balanced owed of \$5,669.05.

Based upon this investigation, in September 2022, the Shelby County Grand Jury indicted Tarus Anderson on count of theft over \$2,500.

"Booster clubs are required by state law to ensure the safeguarding of funds and property," said Comptroller Jason Mumpower. "In this case, several deficiencies existed within the club's financial practices. Club officials should promptly review and reconcile bank statements, require two signatures on all checks, and maintain adequate supporting documentation for all purchases and cash withdrawals."

To view the investigative report, go to [tncot.cc/doireports](https://tncot.cc/doireports). To view a map depicting Comptroller investigations, go to [tncot.cc/mappinginvestigations](https://tncot.cc/mappinginvestigations).

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