

**PALM BEACH COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: July 11, 2023       Consent       Regular  
 Ordinance       Public Hearing

Department:  
Submitted By: Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office  
Submitted For: Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office

**I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF**

**Motion and Title:** Staff recommends motion to approve: a Budget Transfer of \$523,850 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETf) to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO).

**Summary:** Section 932.7055(5), Florida Statutes; provides that the seizing agency shall use Forfeiture proceeds for school resource officer, crime prevention, safe neighborhood, drug abuse education and prevention programs, or for other law enforcement purposes, which include defraying the cost of protracted or complex investigations, providing additional equipment or expertise, purchasing automated external defibrillators, and providing matching grant funds. Section 932.7055(5), Florida Statutes; also requires that no less than 25% of the LETf's previous year's revenues be used for the support or operation of drug treatment, drug abuse education, drug prevention, crime prevention, safe neighborhood and school resource officer programs of various non-profit organizations. The PBSO's FY 2023 donation requirement is \$230,119. The PBSO's support of these programs exemplifies its strong commitment to the prevention and reduction of crime throughout the communities it serves and its desire to put money back into these communities to support organizations that provide such services. The year-to-date transfer for all donations to outside organizations after approval of this item is \$1,663,884. The funds requested are to aid PBSO and qualified organizations that meet the requirements set forth in Section 932.7055(5), Florida Statutes. Use of LETf requires approval by the Board, upon request of the Sheriff. The current State LETf balance is \$3,016,837. Approval of this request will reduce the State Law Enforcement Trust Fund balance to \$2,492,987. The PBSO certifies that the use of these funds is in accordance with Section 932.7055(5), Florida Statutes. Below is a table indicating the organizations the PBSO seeks to fund and the corresponding amount of funding proposed per respective organization or agency. No new positions are needed and no additional County funds are required. Countywide (RS) (Continued on Page 3)

**Background and Justification:** The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office is dedicated to providing the most efficient and effective law enforcement services and also has a long-standing commitment to the reduction of crime and implementation of crime and drug prevention programs within Palm Beach County. Use of LETf requires approval by the Board, in accordance with Section 932.7055(5), Florida Statutes, upon request of the Sheriff. This Statute also requires that no less than 25 % of the last fiscal year's revenues be donated or expended for the support or operation of drug treatment, drug abuse education, drug prevention, crime prevention, safe neighborhood or school resource officer programs. The PBSO certifies that the use of these funds by the organizations listed above is in accordance with Section 932.7055(5), Florida Statutes.

**Attachments:**

- 1. Budget Transfer
- 2. LETf Donation Applications (25)

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RECOMMENDED BY:  /21/2023  
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR      DATE

APPROVED BY: N/A  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR      DATE

**II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS**

**A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

<b>Fiscal Years</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>2027</b>
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs	\$523,850				
External Revenues	(\$523,850)				
Program Income (County)					
In-Kind Match (County)	0				
Net Fiscal Impact	0				
# Additional FTE Positions (Cumulative)	0				

Is Item Included in Current Budget: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO X

Does this item include the use of federal funds: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO X

Budget Account No.: Fund 1151 Agency 160 Org 1690 Object 9498

Reporting Category \_\_\_\_\_

**B. Recommended Sources of Funds / Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

The funds are being requested from the State Law Enforcement Trust Fund. No additional County Funds are required.

**III. REVIEW COMMENTS**

**A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Administration Comments:**

Shirley M. Muth 6/27/23  
OFMB  
MD 6/27

Dr. J. Lawrence 6/28/23  
Contract Administration  
MD 6/28/23

**B. Legal Sufficiency:**

[Signature] 7/5/23  
Assistant County Attorney

**C. Other Department Review:**

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Department Director

**This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.**

Summary: (Continued)

ORGANIZATION	AMOUNT
BAM Festival, Inc.	\$2,500
Believer's Academy, Inc.	\$10,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County, Inc. - Belle Glade	\$20,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County, Inc. - Wellington	\$7,500
Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County, Inc. - West Palm Beach	\$5,000
Center for Trauma Counseling, Inc.	\$10,000
Child Rescue Coalition, Inc.	\$15,000
Children's Place at Home Safe, Inc.	\$10,000
Cox Science Center and Aquarium, Inc.	\$25,000
Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc.	\$35,000
Els for Autism, Inc.	\$25,000
Esperanza Community Center, Inc.	\$10,000
Florida Crime Prevention Association, Inc.	\$7,000
HACER Ministry Corporation, Inc.	\$25,000
Homeless Coalition of Palm Beach County, Inc.	\$35,000
Mothers Against Murder Association, Inc.	\$25,000
NAMI Palm Beach County, Inc.	\$15,000
Palm Beach Economic Crimes Unit, Inc.	\$5,000
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Foundation, Inc. - Explorers Program	\$86,850
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Foundation, Inc. - School Supplies	\$35,000
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Foundation, Inc. - Shop with a Cop	\$50,000
Restoration Bridge International, Inc.	\$15,000
Sweet Dream Makers, Inc.	\$10,000
Vita Nova, Inc.	\$15,000
West Palm Beach Library Foundation, Inc.	\$25,000
<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>\$523,850</b>