

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: March 11, 2025 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 \$75,000 from the Federal Justice Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETf) to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO).


Summary: The 2024 Guide to Equitable Sharing for State, Local and Tribal Law Enforcement Agencies (GUIDE), provides that seizing law enforcement agencies shall use Justice and Treasury Forfeiture proceeds for law enforcement purposes only. Permissible uses include: law enforcement operations and investigations; law enforcement training and education; law enforcement, public safety, and detention facilities; law enforcement equipment; joint law enforcement/public safety operations; contracts for services; law enforcement travel and per diem; law enforcement awards and memorials; drug, gang and other prevention or awareness programs and matching grants. Special Operations will use the requested funds to purchase and equip a new unmarked sport utility vehicle. Use of Federal Treasury LETf requires approval by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), upon request of the PBSO. The current Federal Justice LETf balance is \$266,065. Approval of this request will reduce the Federal Justice LETf balance to \$191,065. PBSO certifies that the use of these funds is in accordance with the GUIDE. No new positions are needed and no additional County funds are required. Countywide (RS)

Background and Justification: The Department of Justice and Department of Treasury Asset Forfeiture Programs are nationwide law enforcement initiatives that remove the tools of crime from criminal organizations, deter crime and deprives wrongdoers of their criminal proceeds, and recover property that may be used to compensate victims. Equitable sharing further enhances the law enforcement mission by fostering cooperation among federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies. Federal law authorizes the Attorney General and the Treasury to share federally forfeited property with participating state and local law enforcement agencies. PBSO 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 Federal LETf requires approval by the BCC, in accordance with the GUIDE, upon request of the PBSO.

Attachments:

- Budget Transfer Federal Justice LETf Fund 1153

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RECOMMENDED BY:  _____

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR 2/13/25
DATE

APPROVED BY: N/A _____

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DATE

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs	\$75,000				
External Revenues	(\$75,000)				
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 _____	X _____	NO _____		
Does this item include the use of state funds:	YES _____	NO _____	X _____		
Budget Account No.:	Fund <u>1153</u>	Agency <u>160</u>	Org <u>1690</u>	Object <u>9498</u>	
Reporting Category	_____				

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

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

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Administration Comments:

<p><u><i>[Signature]</i></u> 2/18/2025 OFMB <i>JA 2/18</i> <i>CB 2/18</i></p>	<p><u><i>[Signature]</i></u> 2/20/25 Contract Administration <i>26, 2.19.25</i></p>
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B. Legal Sufficiency:

[Signature] 2/20/15
 Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

 Department Director

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

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
EXPENDITURE BUDGET TRANSFER

BGEX 021825* 9109

FUND 1153 LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND

ACCOUNT NUMBER	ACCOUNT NAME	UNIT NAME	ORIGINAL BUDGET	CURRENT BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	ADJUSTED BUDGET	EXPENDED/ ENCUMBERED as of 02/13/2025	REMAINING BALANCE
EXPENDITURES									
160-1690-9498	Tr To PBSO Fd 1902	Transfers	0	2,477,367	75,000	0	2,552,367	2,477,367	75,000
160-9900-9902	Operating Reserves	Reserves	2,743,432	266,065	0	75,000	191,065		191,065
	Total Expenditures				75,000	75,000			

SIGNATURES

DATES

Initiating Department/Division

2/13/2025

Administration/Budget Department Approval

2/18/2025

OFMB Department - Posted

BY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

At Meeting of: March 11, 2025

Deputy Clerk to the
Board of County Commissioners