



LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Suzanne Sherman, City Manager

THRU: Mariano Augello, Chief of Police

DATE: May 16, 2024

RE: Request for approval of the FY 23-24 State Assistance for Fentanyl Eradication (S.A.F.E.) in Florida Program Agreement between the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and Palm Bay Police Department.

SUMMARY:

The legislative memo seeks approval for a financial assistance agreement between the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) and the Palm Bay Police Department. This agreement is part of the FY23-24 State Assistance for Fentanyl Eradication (S.A.F.E.) Program, which allocates \$20 million to support efforts against illegal fentanyl activities. The memo outlines the conditions under which the Palm Bay Police Department will be reimbursed for expenses such as overtime, equipment, and training related to fentanyl investigations.

The agreement stipulates that these activities and expenditures comply with Florida law, and the funds will be distributed based on the operational needs of the Palm Bay Police Department as approved by the S.A.F.E. Executive Board. The memo emphasizes the importance of the agreement in enhancing the department's capabilities to combat fentanyl-related crimes effectively. It also mentions the procedural requirements for funding requests and reimbursements, ensuring that all expenditures are properly documented and justified according to state financial guidelines. Approval of this agreement is crucial for initiating timely and effective law enforcement activities aimed at mitigating the fentanyl crisis in the region, thus supporting public safety and health objectives.

REQUESTING DEPARTMENTS:

Police

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fiscal impact will be a revenue of \$22,133.19 to FDLE Grants Account #001-0000-334-2008 for a reimbursement for the expense of \$22,133.19 out of Criminal Investigative Certificate & License

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Account # 001-5013-521-5403 for the purchase of the PenLink program approved in the application request.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to approve the FY 23-24 State Assistance for Fentanyl Eradication (S.A.F.E.) in Florida Program Agreement between the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and Palm Bay Police Department.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Agreement
2. Addendum A