

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

Meeting Date: March 14, 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 \$704,500 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 \$1,140,034. 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 \$2,218,969. Approval of this request will reduce the State Law Enforcement Trust Fund balance to \$1,514,469. 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 (27)

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RECOMMENDED BY:       2/16/2023      DATE  
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR      DATE

APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_  
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	\$704,500				
External Revenues	(\$704,500)				
Program Income (County)					
In-Kind Match (County)	0				
<b>Net Fiscal Impact</b>	<b>0</b>				
<b># Additional FTE Positions (Cumulative)</b>	<b>0</b>				

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:**

<p><u> Lisa M. ... </u> 2/24/2023 OFMB <i>OK</i> <i>LM 2/22</i></p>	<p><u> ... </u> 3/1/23 Contract Administration <i>...</i></p>
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**B. Legal Sufficiency:**

...  3/3/2023  
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)**

<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Alpha Educational Foundation	\$25,000
Bella's Angels	\$25,000
Big Dog Ranch Rescue - Veteran's Program *	\$250,000
Boca West Community Charitable Foundation	\$33,000
Center for Child Counseling	\$10,000
Child Protection Team	\$15,000
Children's Case Management Organization	\$7,500
Choice to Change	\$10,000
Cultural Council of Palm Beach County	\$10,000
Elizabeth Faulk Foundation	\$20,000
Faith's Place Center for Arts Education	\$50,000
Florida Outreach for the Blind	\$5,000
Habitat for Humanity South Palm Beach	\$15,000
Hands Together for Haitians	\$10,000
Hanley Foundation	\$5,000
Junior Achievement	\$10,000
KidSafe Foundation	\$5,000
New Hope Charities	\$25,000
Operation Restore	\$10,000
Palm Beach County PAL Summer Basketball	\$25,000
Palm Beach County PAL Tutoring Program	\$15,000
Palm Beach County PAL Youth Summit	\$15,000
PBCSF - Youth Scholarships	\$25,000
Safety Council of PBC Baby in Back	\$4,000
Urban League of Palm Beach County	\$50,000
YMCA of the Palm Beaches	\$15,000
YMCA South Palm Beach County	\$15,000
<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>\$704,500</b>

\* NOTE: In keeping with the Agency's continued focus on mental health and wellness, PBSO is partnering with Big Dog Ranch Rescue and their Veteran Dog Training Program. At no cost to veterans, this community based initiative provides a second chance for rescue dogs, matching them up with military veterans who can benefit from having a trained service dog in their lives to help mitigate physical and mental disabilities, such as PTSD. This proactive program, classified by the Veterans Administration as a "Non-Traditional and Innovative" therapy, aims to reduce suicide rates in our Veteran population.