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PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

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Meeting Date: December 1, 2026 [X] **Consent** [ ] **Regular** [ ] **Ordinance** [ ] **Public Hearing**

Department Submitted By: Community Services
Submitted For: Community Services

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I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to receive and file: the Behavioral Health and Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorders (BHSUCOD) Advisory Committee Annual Report for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026.

Summary: Pursuant to Resolution 2022-1340, the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee shall provide an annual report to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). FY 2026 marked a pivotal transition for the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee, moving from strategic planning toward implementation of the priorities established in Palm Beach County's (County) Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder (BHSUD) 2024 Plan (Plan 2024). The central focus of the year was advancing the strategic investment of Opioid Settlement Funds (OSF) to address community needs and strengthen the County's behavioral health and substance use system of care.

Through collaboration between the Community Services Department (CSD), the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee, community providers, and other stakeholders, the County developed an OSF investment strategy aligned with Plan 2024. The OSF plan was approved by the BCC on September 9, 2025, establishing a framework for implementing settlement resources across key areas of the behavioral health continuum.

Consistent with Plan 2024, 90% of OSF is dedicated to social determinants of health, recovery supports, and prevention, while 10% is dedicated to targeted deep-end treatment and crisis care. This approach recognizes that sustainable recovery requires more than clinical treatment and emphasizes access to supportive services, recovery resources, care coordination, prevention, and other community-based strategies that address barriers to wellness and recovery. These efforts support a more integrated, person-centered, and recovery-oriented approach to behavioral health and substance use services.

As the County moves forward with implementation, the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee will continue to support strategic oversight, community engagement, and alignment of initiatives with Plan 2024. Collectively, the FY 2026 efforts established a foundation for continued system improvement and for the strategic use of OSF to expand access to services, strengthen care coordination, address social determinants of health, and promote equitable behavioral health and substance use outcomes throughout the County. Countywide (RS)

Background and Justification: In 2022, the BCC designated the CSD as the lead entity for planning, administration, coordination, and contracting of BHSUD services in the County. **(Continues on Page 3)**

Attachments:
1. BHSUCOD Advisory Committee Annual Report for FY 2025
2. Resolution R2022-1340

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Recommended By: Signed by: James Green F84BD38B0CEE433... 11/3/2026
Department Director **Date**

Approved By: _____
Deputy County Administrator **Date**

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II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
Capital Expenditures					
Operating Costs					
External Revenue					
Program Income (County)					
In-Kind Match (County)					
NET FISCAL IMPACT					
No. ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)					

Is Item Included In Proposed Budget? **Yes ___** **No x**
Does this item include the use of federal funds? **Yes ___** **No x**
Does this item include the use of state funds? **Yes ___** **No x**

Budget Account No.:
Fund ____ Dept ___Unit ____ Object ____ Program Code____ Program Period _____

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:
There is no funding associated with this item.

C. Departmental Fiscal Review: DocuSigned by: Thomas Eaton B9475D9E749E4E9...
Thomas Eaton, Director of Finance and Support Services

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and/or Contract Development and Control Comments:

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OFMB Contract Development and Control

B. Legal Sufficiency:

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Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

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Department Director

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Background and Justification (Continued from Page 1):

It further established the BHSUCOD on November 1, 2022, to enhance the County's capacity and effectiveness in formulating a comprehensive, integrated, and effective behavioral health, substance use and co-occurring disorders prevention, treatment, support, and recovery plan (R2022-1340).

On November 15, 2022, the BCC approved the BHSUD Plan 2022 (Plan 2022) (Agenda Item No.: 5F-1). Both the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee and the Plan 2022 were developed to satisfy the State of Florida's Opioid Settlement Clearing Trust Fund requirement pursuant to section 17.42(4)(c), Florida Statutes (2026).

In 2023, the CSD, in collaboration with the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee, community members, and key stakeholders, conducted a process to update Plan 2022. The Plan 2024, approved on October 22, 2024, provides recommendations related to BHSUD and OSF.

Palm Beach County
Behavioral Health Substance Use Disorders and Co-Occurring Disorders Advisory Committee
Annual Report

FY2026

October 1,2025- September 30, 2026

Letter from the Chair of the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee and Director of the Community Services Department

On behalf of the Palm Beach County Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorders Advisory Committee (BHSUCOD) and the Community Services Department (CSD), we are pleased to present the FY 2026 Annual Report highlighting the activities and accomplishments of the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee.

This report reflects our shared commitment to ensuring that opioid settlement funds are invested strategically, transparently, and in ways that create meaningful and lasting improvements for individuals, families, and communities impacted by substance use disorders, co-occurring behavioral health conditions, and the opioid epidemic.

Over the past year, Palm Beach County has taken significant steps to implement the priorities established in the Behavioral Health and Substance Use Master Plan through a competitive funding process that supports prevention, early intervention, treatment, recovery support, harm reduction, housing, workforce development, care coordination, research, and community education. These investments represent more than financial resources they represent hope, collaboration, and a commitment to building a comprehensive, person-centered, and recovery-oriented system of care.

The BHSUCOD Advisory Committee continues to serve as a collaborative forum where individuals with lived experience, healthcare providers, community organizations, public safety partners, local government, and other stakeholders work together to identify community needs, recommend evidence-informed strategies, and strengthen behavioral health services throughout Palm Beach County. Our role extends beyond planning; we are committed to promoting accountability, evaluating outcomes, and ensuring that every investment advance measurable improvements in health, resilience, and recovery.

While we celebrate the progress made during this implementation year, we recognize that the work is far from complete. The behavioral health landscape continues to evolve, requiring innovation, collaboration, and sustained partnerships across every sector of our community. Together, we will continue advancing policies and initiatives that strengthen a resilient, equitable, and integrated behavioral health system where every resident has access to the care and support they need.

On behalf of the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee, I extend my sincere appreciation to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, Community Services Department staff, funded providers, community partners, and individuals with lived experience whose dedication and collaboration have made this work possible.

Sincerely,

Rae Whitely

Pastor Rae Whitely, Chair
PBC Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorders Advisory Committee

James E. Green

Dr. James Green, Director, Community Services Department

BHSUCOD Advisory Committee Overview and Background

Palm Beach County has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to addressing behavioral health, substance use, and co-occurring disorders through strategic planning, community collaboration, and evidence-informed policy. In 2019, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) established the Behavioral Health, Substance Use, and Co-Occurring Disorders Steering Committee in response to recommendations outlined in the April 2017 Opioid Epidemic Response Plan. This action also positioned the County to meet the State of Florida's Opioid Settlement Clearing Trust Fund requirement for an opioid response abatement plan pursuant to Section 17.42(4)(c), Florida Statutes (2022). Recognizing the growing impact of the substance use epidemic including opioids, crack cocaine, crystal methamphetamine, and other behavioral health and substance use disorders, the BCC identified these issues as among the County's highest strategic priorities.

Building upon this foundation, on November 1, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution R-2022-1340, formally establishing the Palm Beach County Advisory Committee on Behavioral Health, Substance Use, and Co-Occurring Disorders (BHSUCOD). The Resolution created a permanent advisory body responsible for strengthening the County's behavioral health system through strategic planning, collaboration, and policy recommendations. It also established provisions governing the Committee's purpose, membership, appointments, officers, roles and responsibilities, meetings, subcommittees, ethics, and operational procedures. As established by Resolution R-2022-1340, the purpose of the BHSUCOD is to enhance Palm Beach County's capacity and effectiveness in developing a comprehensive, integrated, recovery-oriented behavioral health system that addresses prevention, treatment, harm reduction, recovery support services, and co-occurring disorders.

In September 2026, Resolution R-2022-1340 was repealed and replaced to update the current committee Resolution to the following: 1) shorten the original Advisory Committee's name from Behavioral Health Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorders (BHSUCOD) to Behavioral Health Substance and Use Disorders (BHSUCOD). 2) change the "Ex Officio" to "Designated Seat"; 3) add the Office of the Public Defender as a Designated Seat member; and refining the role and responsibilities of the committee.

The BHSUCOD Committee shall:

A. Advance prevention, early intervention, treatment, crisis response, recovery support services, and related policies of behavioral health, mental health, substance use, and co-occurring disorder services for residents of Palm Beach County.

B. Collaboratively engage with system partners to improve coordination, communication, alignment, and continuity of care among organizations, agencies, and institutions committed to addressing behavioral health, mental health, substance use, and co-occurring disorder needs throughout the County.

C. Promote access to care, strengthen service integration, identify gaps and barriers, and enhance outcomes for individuals, families, and communities impacted by behavioral health, mental health, substance use, and co-occurring disorders through a comprehensive, coordinated, recovery-oriented system of care.

D. Provide oversight and recommendations related to mental health as a primary condition and its needs affecting residents of Palm Beach County.

E. Collect information related to substance abuse disorders in the County and provide that information to the BCC, along with recommendations on responding to the opioid epidemic, as provided in section 17.42, Florida Statutes.

The BHSUCOD committee provides recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners regarding behavioral health and substance use initiatives while promoting cross-sector collaboration among healthcare providers, community organizations, public safety agencies, educational institutions, individuals with lived experience, and other stakeholders. Supported by the Palm Beach County Community Services Department, the BHSUCOD serves as the County's primary advisory body for advancing coordinated, person-centered, and evidence-informed strategies that improve outcomes for all Palm Beach County residents.

Committee Members

Angela Burns	1	Designated Seat for League of Cities
Cheo Reid	2	Designated Seat for State Attorney's Office
Jon Van Arnam	3	Designated Seat for Health Care District
Natalie Kenton	4	Designated Seat for the Florida Department of Health
Sandra Sisson	5	Designated Seat for Sheriff's Office
Joshua Mena (Pending)	6	Designated Seat for Fire Rescue
Jill Sorensen (Pending)	7	Designated Seat for Southeast Behavioral Health Network
Heather DeStefano (Pending)	8	Designated Seat for Palm Health Foundation
Lissa Franklin - Vice Chair	9	Designated Seat for Southeast Florida Recovery Advocates
Vacant	10	Person with Lived Experience with Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder
Ariana Ciancio	11	At-Large
Dr. Suzanne Spencer, Ed. D	12	At-Large
William Freeman	13	Person with Lived Experience with Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder
Stephanie Thompson (Pending)	14	At-Large
Brent Schillinger, MD	15	At-Large
Catherine Doe	16	At-Large
Rev. Rae Whitely - Chair	17	At-Large
Austin Wright	18	Person with Lived Experience with Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder

Subcommittees

Beginning in January 2026, the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee initiated the operationalization of its standing subcommittees to further advance the priorities identified in the Behavioral Health and Substance Use Master Plan 2024. Recognizing that implementation requires focused collaboration and subject matter expertise, each subcommittee was charged with providing strategic leadership within its respective priority areas while supporting the Committee's overall mission.

Since their inception, the subcommittees have met monthly to review emerging behavioral health needs, evaluate current initiatives, identify implementation strategies, and develop recommendations to strengthen Palm Beach County's integrated system of care. A significant focus of these meetings has been the ongoing review and revision of the Master Plan 2024 to ensure it reflects current community needs, incorporates evidence-informed and promising practices, aligns with opioid settlement investments, and establishes measurable strategies that improve prevention, treatment, recovery support, and behavioral health outcomes throughout the County.

The subcommittee structure promotes collaboration among community stakeholders, individuals with lived experience, service providers, healthcare professionals, public safety partners, educational institutions, and local government representatives. Through this collaborative approach, the Committee continues to strengthen coordinated planning, enhance cross-sector partnerships, and provide informed recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners.

The subcommittees and their respective Chairs are outlined below along with the propose sub-committee descriptions. These will be finalized once the Master Plan is approved by Advisory Committee in 2027.

Prevention and Education: Chair-Austin Wright

The Prevention and Education sub-committee is responsible for guiding efforts that reduce the incidence of substance use and behavioral health challenges through prevention, early intervention, and community education. The committee focuses on promoting current evidence-based, evidence-informed, and promising practice strategies, increasing awareness, reducing stigma, and strengthening partnerships to support informed, healthy, and recovery-oriented communities in alignment with the goals of the Master Plan.

Justice System and Public Safety: Chair- William Freeman

The purpose of the Justice System and Public Safety is to strengthen community-based services to justice-impacted individuals including but limited to pre-arrest, pre-trial, diversion, and re-entry through expansion of placement options, advancement of sustainable reentry supports, and promoting early intervention and treatment over incarceration. The sub-committee will collaborate with law enforcement, courts, and community partners to improve outcomes for

individuals with substance use and mental health needs through evidence-informed practices, peer support, and demonstrate effectiveness, while advocating for life-saving policies and resources.

Treatment and Recovery- Chair: Catherine Doe

The Treatment and Recovery committee's purpose is to expand equitable access to evidence-based treatment and recovery support for individuals with substance use disorders and co-occurring mental health conditions. This includes advancing Medication Assisted Treatment through mobile and community-based services; promoting a person-centered, recovery-oriented system of care; and strengthening coordination among providers, funders, justice systems, and community partners. The committee works to remove barriers to care, integrate trauma-informed and peer-led support, improve transitions through shared protocols and agreements, and engage prescribers, families, and public safety partners to improve outcomes, continuity of care, and long-term recovery.

Evaluation and Monitoring: Chair- Lissa Franklin

The Evaluation and Monitoring Sub-committee are responsible for assessing the overall effectiveness of the behavioral health and substance use system of care and its alignment with the goals of the Master Plan. The sub-committee provides recommendations based on monitoring results, data, policies, and institutional practices to determine how well the system is performing in the areas of efficiency, accessibility, coordination, resource availability, and service quality.

Faith-Base: Chair Rae Whitely

The Faith-Based Sub-committee is responsible for engaging, equipping, and partnering with faith-based organizations across Palm Beach County to support behavioral health, substance use prevention, early intervention, treatment linkage, recovery support, and overall community wellness. The committee leverages the trusted role of faith leaders, congregations, and interfaith networks to advance prevention, reduce stigma, expand access to the System of Care, including Recovery HUBs and crisis services, and promote trauma-informed, culturally responsive, and recovery-oriented practices in alignment with the goals and priorities of the Palm Beach County Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder Master Plan.

Essential Services: Chair-Vacant

The Essential Services Committee is responsible for advancing strategies that address non-clinical factors impacting behavioral health outcomes, including access to housing, food security, transportation, education, care coordination, employment, and other essential services. The committee focuses on reducing barriers to care, supporting community re-entry, and strengthening coordination among systems to promote stability and long-term recovery.

Opioid Settlement Funding:

During the past 18 months, Palm Beach County developed and released two Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs) for Opioid Settlement Funds (OSF) in alignment with the County's Behavioral Health and Substance Use Master Plan. The NOFOs were designed to expand access to individualized, person-centered, recovery-oriented care through an integrated system of services that utilizes a "No Wrong Door" approach, ensuring that all Palm Beach County residents can access appropriate behavioral health, substance use, and recovery supports regardless of where they enter the system.

The first NOFO was publicly released on March 7, 2025, followed by a second NOFO on October 10, 2025. Agencies that applied to the NOFO have gone through a competitive process prior to funding recommendations. For both funding opportunities, applications underwent a competitive review process and were evaluated, scored, and ranked by independent subject matter experts based on established evaluation criteria.

The two NOFOs solicited proposals in the following funding categories:

- Recovery Supports
- Recovery Communities
- Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)
- Drug Disposal
- Deep-End Treatment

Other Community Investments contracts in the following areas:

- Neutral Care Coordination
- Syringe Services Expansion
- Housing Supports
- Recovery Capital Tool
- Research

The contracts were executed with performance periods through June 30, 2028. The total annual allocation of Opioid Settlement Funding through contracts is $6,095,535.00, and $1,010,000 in Housing Supports, of which $500,000 is from accrued OSF interest.

The OSF dollars are allocated as follows: 90% of funds directed toward social determinants of health—including housing, recovery supports, care coordination, and prevention—and 10% of funds directed toward deep-end treatment and crisis care, with guardrails to prevent supplanting of existing funding streams with Opioid Settlement Funds with reference from the NOFO stating " Monies from the opioid settlement fund shall be expended to expand the availability of services and supports described in the Master Plan and not to supplant funding otherwise available for those purposes". The funding allocations for each NOFO category are summarized below.

I. Community Investments

1. Recovery Supports

The interventions shall include peer support, care coordination, and financial support for situational-related expenses. This service focuses on Social Determinants of Health, resilience and risk factors, and other Recovery Capital Index data collected during the contract period. In addition, these agencies participate in the Recovery Housing Initiative.

Agency	Services Provided	Amount	Core Strategy/ Approved Uses	Outcomes
Rebel Recovery Florida, Inc.	Housing, Peer Supports, Resource, and Care Navigation	$457,850	Core Strategy: Expansion of Warm Hand-Off Programs and Recovery Services Approved Uses: B Support People in Treatment and Recovery	1. Increase resilience of program Participants - 60% will increase RCI 1 point from baseline to last recorded in the fiscal year. 2. Participants will complete an individualized recovery plan. 60% of Participants will have achieved at least two goals identified in a completed individualized recovery plan. 3. Participants will remain engaged in services - 60% of Participants will remain engaged for the program duration.

				4. Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Center- 60% of Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Center
The Lord's Place, Inc.	Housing, Recovery Supports, and Other Essential Services	$350,000	Core Strategy: Expansion of Warm Hand-Off Programs and Recovery Services Approved Uses: B Support People in Treatment and Recovery	1. Increase resilience of program Participants - 60% will increase RCI by 1 point from baseline to the last recorded in the fiscal year. 2. Participants will complete an individualized recovery plan. 60% of Participants will have achieved at least two goals identified in a completed individualized recovery plan. 3. Participants will remain engaged in services - 60% of Participants will remain engaged for the program duration. 4. Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Centers- 60% of Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Center

Master Plan Alignment: Provide sustainable resources (essential services), including housing, peer support, care coordination, and flex funds, which mirror the federal Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Program (COSSUP).

2. Community Education and Engagement

This category consisted of four (4) subcategories: Family Supports; Resilient and Recovery Ready Communities; Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT); and Drug Disposal.

A. Family Supports

This service provides community-based support to families experiencing a family member's substance use or co-occurring disorder, particularly for parents or grandparents who face a variety of emotional, legal, and daily living challenges as they unexpectedly find themselves in the position of raising a second family. These supports may include, but not be limited to, emotional, physical health, and practical support, advocacy, parenting and family interaction, care, and resource navigation.

Agency	Services Provided	Amount	Core Strategy/ Approved Uses	Outcome
NAMI Palm Beach County, Inc.	Family Support Programs specifically designed for families with loved ones who have substance use and/or Co-occurring disorders.	$100,000	Core Strategy: Provide enhanced support for children and family members suffering trauma as a result of addiction in the family and offer trauma-informed behavioral health treatment for adverse childhood events. Approved Uses: Provide enhanced support for children and family	1. Increase resilience of program Participants - 60% will increase RCI 1 point from baseline to last recorded in the fiscal year. 2. Participants will complete an individualized recovery plan. 60% of Participants will have achieved at least two goals identified in a completed individualized recovery plan.

			members suffering trauma as a result of addiction in the family and offer trauma-informed behavioral health treatment for adverse childhood events.	3. Participants will remain engaged in services - 60% of Participants will remain engaged for the program duration. 4. Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Center- 60% of Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Center.
Federation of Families of Florida, Inc.	Open Network, Peer Support, navigation for families	$75,000	Core Strategy: Provide enhanced support for children and family members suffering trauma as a result of addiction in the family and offer trauma-informed behavioral health treatment for adverse childhood events Approved Uses: Provide enhanced support for children and family members suffering trauma as a result of addiction in the family and offer trauma-informed behavioral health treatment for adverse childhood events.	1. Increase resilience of program Participants - 60% will increase RCI by 1 point from baseline to the last recorded in the fiscal year. 2. Participants will complete an individualized recovery plan. 60% of Participants will have achieved at least two goals identified in a completed individualized recovery plan. 3. Participants will remain engaged in services - 60% of Participants will remain engaged for the program duration. 4. Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Center- 60% of

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Living Skills in the Schools, Inc.	Prevention and Education	$100,000	Core Strategy: Prevention Programs- Funding for evidence-based prevention programs in schools. Approved Uses: Create or support school-based contacts that parents can engage with to seek immediate treatment services for their child; and support prevention, intervention, treatment, and recovery programs focused on on young people	1. Increase resilience of program Participants - 60% will increase RCI by 1 point from baseline to last recorded in the fiscal year. 2. Participants will remain engaged in services - 60% of Participants will remain engaged for the program duration.
Palm Beach County Substance Abuse Coalition, Inc., d/b/a. Palm Beach County Behavioral Health Coalition	Family supports	$175,000	Core Strategy: Expand warm hand-off services to transition to recovery services Approved Uses: Provide enhanced support for children and family members suffering trauma as a result of addiction in the family and offer trauma-informed behavioral health	1. Increase resilience of program Participants - 60% will increase RCI 1 point from baseline to last recorded in the fiscal year. 2. Participants will complete an individualized recovery plan. 60% of Participants will have achieved at least two goals identified in a completed individualized recovery plan.

			treatment for adverse childhood events.	3. Participants will remain engaged in services - 60% of Participants will remain engaged for the program duration. 4. Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Centers- 60% of Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Centers.
Rebel Recovery Florida, Inc.	Family Supports, Peer Support	$350,000	Core Strategy: Expand warm hand-off services to transition to recovery services Approved Uses: Provide enhanced support for children and family members suffering trauma as a result of addiction in the family and offer trauma-informed behavioral health treatment for adverse childhood events.	1. Increase resilience of program Participants - 60% will increase RCI 1 point from baseline to last recorded in the fiscal year. 2. Participants will complete an individualized recovery plan. 60% of Participants will have achieved at least two goals identified in a completed individualized recovery plan. 3. Participants will remain engaged in services - 60% of Participants will

				remain engaged for the program duration. 4. Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Centers- 60% of Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Centers.

Master Plan Alignment: Create and/or support community-based education or support services for families, youth, and adolescents at risk for SUD and any co-occurring MH conditions, which builds resilience, recognizes adverse child experiences, and is trauma-informed.

B. Recovery Ready Communities

Agency	Services Provided	Amount	Core Strategy/ Approved Uses	Outcomes
Ferd and Gladys Alpert Jewish Family & Children's Service of Palm Beach County, Inc.	Mental Health & Substance Use First Aid	$150,000	Core Strategy: Prevention Programs- Funding for evidence-based prevention programs in schools Approved Uses: Evidence-based prevention programs in schools or evidence-informed school and community education programs and campaigns for students, families, school employees, school athletic programs,	1. Communities will be resilient and recovery-ready- - Community-based initiatives will be facilitated in a minimum of 20 municipalities that will encourage the development of resilient and recovery ready communities

			parent-teacher and student associations, and others.	by September 30, 2027. 2. Increased resilience at the Community level. Communities will increase resilience factor scores by at least one (1) point as determined by an analysis of community resilience/ recovery indexing from baseline to next RCI assessment within the fiscal year. 3. Improve the knowledge and perception about mental illness and substance use disorder, harm reduction. - Individuals will improve knowledge and perception about mental illness and substance use disorder, and about harm reduction, as evidenced by an increased score of at least 75% following training, as measured by a pre-post assessment.
Drug Abuse Foundation of Palm Beach County, Inc.	Facilitation of Recovery communities, workshops, and	$350,000	Core Strategies: Broaden the scope of recovery services to include co-occurring	1. Communities will be resilient and recovery-ready- Community-based initiatives will be facilitated in a

	workgroups with partners using the Recovery Ready Neighborhood Coalition Framework.		SUD or mental health conditions. Approved Uses: Support People in Treatment and Recovery	minimum of 20 municipalities that will encourage the development of resilient and recovery ready communities by September 30, 2027. 2. Increased resilience at the Community level. Communities will increase resilience factor scores by at least one (1) point as determined by an analysis of community resilience/ recovery indexing from baseline to next RCI assessment within the fiscal year. 3. Improve the knowledge and perception about mental illness and substance use disorder, harm reduction. 4. Individuals will improve their knowledge and perception about mental illness and substance use disorder, and about harm reduction, as evidenced by an increased score of at least 75% following training, as measured by a pre-post assessment.

Hanley Center Foundation, Inc.	Recovery workplace Friendly Communities Training, on the skills training for individuals with MHSUD	$350,000	Core Strategies: Broaden the scope of recovery services to include co-occurring SUD or mental health conditions. Approved Uses: Support People in Treatment and Recovery	1. Communities will be resilient and recovery-ready- Community-based initiatives will be facilitated in a minimum of 20 municipalities that will encourage the development of resilient and recovery ready communities by September 30, 2027. 2. Increased resilience at the Community level. Communities will increase resilience factor scores by at least one (1) point as determined by an analysis of community resilience/ recovery indexing from baseline to next RCI assessment within the fiscal year. 3. Improve the knowledge and perception about mental illness and substance use disorder, harm reduction. Individuals will improve their knowledge and perception of mental illness and

				substance use disorder, and about harm reduction, as evidenced by an increased score of at least 75% following training, as measured by a pre-post assessment.

Master Plan Alignment: Create and/or support community-based education to increase awareness and ability to recognize warning signs of different stages for both behavioral and substance use issues.

C. Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)

Agency	Services Provided	Amount	Core Strategy/ Approved Uses	Outcome
Genesis Community Health, Inc.	Training Primary Care Providers and Mental Health Providers that serve underinsured and uninsured populations on how to utilize SBIRT as a tool to intervene early when	$ 340,000	Core Strategy: Expand Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment ("SBIRT") services to non-Medicaid eligible or uninsured pregnant women Approved Uses: Connect People Who Need Help to the Help they Need (Connections to Care) and (Fund Screening, Brief	1. Increase the number of Primary and Behavioral Health Providers utilizing SBIRT- Increase the number of Providers utilizing SBIRT by a minimum of 20 from baseline survey in each of the fiscal years. 2. Increase the number of SBIRT screenings. - Increase the number of completed SBIRT

	risky substance use behaviors are identified. The Agency will also train its staff to utilize SBIRT in its clinics.		Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) programs to reduce the transition from use to disorders, including SBIRT services to pregnant women who are uninsured or not eligible for Medicaid).	screenings each year by 150 additional screenings.
Palm Beach Medical Society	Training Private and Specialty Care Providers on how to utilize SBIRT as a tool to intervene early when risky substance use behaviors are identified. The Agency will also train its staff to utilize SBIRT in its clinics.	$150,000	Core Strategy: Expand Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment ("SBIRT") services to non-Medicaid eligible or uninsured pregnant women Approved Uses: Connect People Who Need Help to the Help they Need (Connections to Care) and (Fund Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) programs to reduce the transition from use to disorders, including SBIRT services to pregnant women who are uninsured or not eligible for Medicaid).	1. Increase the number of Primary and Behavioral Health Providers utilizing SBIRT- Increase the number of Providers utilizing SBIRT by a minimum of 20 from baseline survey in each of the fiscal years 2. Increase the number of SBIRT Screenings. - Increase the number of completed SBIRT screenings each year by 150 additional screenings

Master Plan Alignment: Create and/or support community-based education or support services for families, youth, and adolescents at risk for SUD and any co-occurring MH conditions, which builds resilience, recognizes adverse child experiences and is trauma-informed.

D. Drug Disposal

Agency	Services Provided	Amount	Core Strategy/ Approved Uses	Outcome
Palm Beach County Substance Abuse Coalition, Inc., d/b/a. Palm Beach County Behavioral Health Coalition	Drug Disposal	$80,000	Core Strategy: Prevention Programs, Funding for community drug disposal programs. Approved Uses: Public education relating to drug disposal	1. Increase the number of unused prescription drugs collected in the fiscal year. - Increase the number of pounds of unused prescription drugs collected by 10% from baseline in each fiscal year 2. Increase the number of collection sites. - Increase the number of new collection sites by 10% from baseline in each fiscal year.

Master Plan Alignment: Create and/or support community-based education to increase awareness and ability to recognize warning signs of different stages for both behavioral and substance use issues

3. Deep-End Treatment

One (1) proposal for deep-end treatment was submitted and awarded funding.

Agency	Services Provided	Amount	Core Strategy/ Approved Uses	Outcome

The Hanley Center Foundation, Inc.	Deep End Treatment	$450,000	Core Strategy: Expand comprehensive evidence-based treatment and recovery services, including MAT, for women with co-occurring Opioid Use Disorder ("OUD") and other Substance Use Disorder ("SUD")/Mental Health disorders for uninsured individuals for up to 12 months postpartum Approved Uses: Expand comprehensive evidence-based treatment and recovery services, including MAT, for uninsured women with OUD and any co-occurring SUD/MH conditions for up to 12 months postpartum	1. Increase resilience of program Participants - 60% will increase RCI 1 point from baseline to last recorded in the fiscal year. 2. Participants will complete an individualized recovery plan. 60% of Participants will have achieved at least two goals identified in a completed individualized recovery plan. 3. Participants will remain engaged in services - 60% of Participants will remain engaged for the program duration. 4. Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Centers- 60% of Participants will be provided a referral to a Recovery Community Centers.

II. Other Community Investments:

Agency	Services Provided	Amount	Core Strategy/ Approved Uses	Outcome
Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network	Care Coordination, Recovery Supports	$1,767,175	Core Strategy: Expansion of Warm Hand-Off Programs and Recovery Services Approved Uses: B Support People in Treatment and Recovery	1. 80 unduplicated individuals served monthly. 2. 80 completed assessments monthly. 3. # of referrals monthly 4. # of referrals to a higher level of care monthly 5. # of referrals to support services monthly 6. 70% of Participants will be successfully linked to services as evidenced by the resource and referral portal monthly; not more than 5% of missed opportunities of individuals who have not been able to be contacted monthly 7. # of discharges monthly 8. # of non-compliance (dropouts/no shows) discharges monthly 9. # of returning clients into CONNeCT monthly 10. 80% of Participants will be successfully linked to an assessor within a set time frame from the initial 211/911 call

				11. 80% of Participants referred post-crisis will receive a follow-up within 72 hours of crisis referral 12. 80% of Participants will receive a level of care
Rebel Recovery Florida, Inc.	Syringe Services Expansion	$225,000	Core Strategies: Expanding Syringe Service Programs Approved Uses: Syringe service programs and other evidence-informed programs to reduce harm associated with intravenous drug use, including supplies, staffing, space, peer support services, referrals to treatment, fentanyl checking, connections to care, and the full range of harm reduction and treatment services provided by these programs.	At the end of the project period, increase the percentage of people with HIV who inject drugs that are aware of their HIV status and linked to care by 70% through the provision of Harm Reduction Intervention Services with outcomes across client demographics (Race/Ethnicity, Birth Sex, Gender Identity, Age, Country/Territory of Birth, Transmission Category).
Rebel Recovery Florida, Inc.	Mobile Unit Purchase (one-time)	$275,000	Core Strategies: Expanding Syringe Service Programs Approved Uses: Syringe service programs and	Purchase of a Mobile Unit vehicle for the Syringe Services Program.

			other evidence-informed programs to reduce harm associated with intravenous drug use, including supplies, staffing, space, peer support services, referrals to treatment, fentanyl checking, connections to care, and the full range of harm reduction and treatment services provided by these programs.	
Rebel Recovery Florida, Inc.	Peer Support	$53,990	Core Strategy: Expand warm hand-off services to transition to recovery services Approved Uses: Provide enhanced support for children and family members suffering trauma as a result of addiction in the family and offer trauma-informed behavioral health treatment for adverse childhood events.	1. # of Participants referred for assessments 2. # of referred Participants who received assessments 3. # or Participants enrolled in Rebel Recovery 4. # of sessions provided by Rebel Recovery 5. # of Participants discharged from Rebel Recovery 6. Court liaison attendance record at staffing and hearings (minimum 90% or higher) 7. # of participants who successfully completed service with Rebel Recovery.

Commonly Well	Recovery Capital Index tool	$146,520	Core Strategies: Broaden the scope of recovery services to include co-occurring SUD or mental health conditions. Approved Uses: Support People in Treatment and Recovery	Distribute data and engagement platforms to up to 20 agencies per year to capture and analyze the RCI and other survey data. Collaborate with each agency to define and report specific outcomes associated with each agency, consistent with the County's objectives. Commonly Well will provide each agency with standard reporting and dashboards through the platform (Solomon). CW will also provide each agency with a quarterly "Recovery Intelligence Summary" (mini analysis) and an annual Report. CW will assign a dedicated customer success led to ensure all agencies are properly onboarded, trained, and supported for success.
Florida Atlantic University	Pilot Research	$150,000	Core Strategies: Broaden the scope of recovery services to include co-occurring SUD or mental health conditions. Approved Uses: Support People in Treatment and Recovery	1. Communities will be resilient and recovery-ready- Community-based initiatives will be facilitated in a minimum of 20 municipalities that will encourage the development of resilient and recovery ready communities by September 30, 2027. 2. Increased resilience at the Community level. Communities will increase resilience factor scores by at least one (1) point as determined by an analysis of community resilience/ recovery indexing from baseline to next RCI assessment within the fiscal year.

				3. Improve the knowledge and perception about mental illness and substance use disorder, harm reduction. Individuals will improve their knowledge and perception of mental illness and substance use disorder, and about harm reduction, as evidenced by an increased score of at least 75% following training, as measured by a pre-post assessment.
Recovery Housing Initiative (Not Contracted)	Housing Support	$510,000	Core Strategies: Broaden the scope of recovery services to include co-occurring SUD or mental health conditions. Approved Uses: Support People in Treatment and Recovery	Provide housing support for up to 3 months in a FARR-certified and/or Oxford Housing.
Tiny Homes Pilot Program	Housing Support	$500,000 (OSF Accrued Interest)	Core Strategies: Broaden the scope of recovery services to include co-occurring SUD or mental health conditions. Approved Uses: Support People in Treatment and Recovery	Provide Transitional Housing for up to 24 months for individuals who are coming out of treatment in the community or incarceration.

III. Evaluation, Research, and Performance Monitoring

Palm Beach County is committed to using data-driven decision-making to strengthen accountability, measure outcomes, and evaluate the effectiveness of opioid settlement-funded initiatives. In alignment with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) evaluation framework and data quality standards, the County continues to enhance its evaluation infrastructure to monitor program performance, system effectiveness, and community impact.

To improve care coordination and support integrated service delivery, the County is exploring the development of a centralized data warehouse that will connect behavioral health and other Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) data systems. Social Determinants of Health (SDOH) are the non-medical factors that influence an individual's health, well-being, and quality of life. They are the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, work, learn, worship, and age, as well as the broader systems and policies that shape daily living conditions. These factors significantly affect health outcomes, access to care, and overall opportunities to achieve optimal health. This initiative will facilitate data sharing, improve service coordination, and support more comprehensive analysis of client outcomes across systems of care.

The County will also continue to utilize the Resiliency and Community Indicators (RCI) framework to measure systems-level change, advance health outcomes, and assess population-level outcomes associated with opioid settlement investments.

To ensure accountability and compliance, the Community Services Department collects and reviews quarterly programmatic and performance reports from all contracted providers. These reports are used to monitor progress toward contractual deliverables, performance measures, and program outcomes. In addition, the Department conducts annual programmatic and compliance monitoring reviews to verify adherence to contractual requirements, fiscal accountability, applicable federal and state regulations, County policies, and established best practices. Monitoring findings are used to provide technical assistance, identify opportunities for continuous quality improvement, and ensure responsible stewardship of opioid settlement funding.

IV. Governance and Oversight

The BHSUCOD Advisory Committee continued to meet bi-monthly throughout 2025 to advance the County's behavioral health priorities and provide strategic guidance on system planning and coordination. In accordance with Section 17.42, Florida Statutes (2022), the Committee provided formal recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) through the Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder Plan 2024 (Master Plan 2024). The Master Plan 2024 highlights progress made toward the initiatives established in the 2022 Master Plan while identifying ongoing priorities to strengthen Palm Beach County's integrated behavioral health system of care.

During 2026, the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee will update the Master Plan to reflect current behavioral health needs, emerging priorities, funded initiatives, and evolving best practices. The updated plan will continue to serve as the County's strategic roadmap for improving access to prevention, treatment, recovery support services, and other behavioral health initiatives that address the continuum of care.

The Community Services Department (CSD), in partnership with the BHSUCOD Advisory Committee, continues to lead and support a countywide behavioral health planning process that engages community partners in strengthening system alignment, clarifying stakeholder roles and responsibilities, and promoting shared accountability. Dissemination of the Master Plan to policymakers, community stakeholders, and partner organizations will foster coordinated planning, informed decision-making, and alignment across local, regional, and state systems.

Consistent with the priorities identified in the Master Plan, Palm Beach County continues to expand access to individualized, person-centered, and recovery-oriented behavioral health services that address prevention, early intervention, treatment, recovery support, and social determinants of health.

Advocacy efforts will continue to focus on advancing policies and initiatives that strengthen a resilient and recovery-oriented system of care. These efforts include collaboration with local, regional, and state partners, including the State Attorney's Addiction Recovery Task Force, to promote policies that improve access to behavioral health services, enhance cross-system coordination, and support sustainable, evidence-informed solutions for individuals experiencing mental health, substance use, and co-occurring disorders.

V. Conclusion

This report reflects Palm Beach County's unwavering commitment to a data-informed, community-driven approach to addressing the opioid crisis and strengthening a comprehensive, recovery-oriented system of care. Guided by the priorities identified in the Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder Plan (Master Plan), the County continues to strategically invest opioid settlement funds in initiatives that improve outcomes for individuals, families, and communities affected by opioid use disorder, substance use disorders, co-occurring disorders, and other behavioral health needs.

These investments advance the County's commitment to:

- Expanding access to evidence-informed prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and recovery support services.
- Providing individualized, person-centered, and recovery-oriented supports across the continuum of care.
- Strengthening integrated service delivery through cross-system coordination and collaboration.
- Promoting data-driven decision-making, accountability, and continuous quality improvement.

- Engaging community members, providers, individuals with lived experience, and cross-sector partners in planning, implementation, and evaluation.

Palm Beach County recognizes that meaningful and sustainable change requires strong partnerships, shared accountability, and ongoing collaboration with those most affected by the opioid epidemic. Through this implementation plan, the County will continue to work alongside residents, service providers, healthcare organizations, public safety agencies, local governments, and community stakeholders to build a coordinated behavioral health system that is accessible and responsive to community needs.

By leveraging opioid settlement resources strategically and transparently, Palm Beach County remains committed to improving health outcomes, reducing overdose deaths, strengthening recovery pathways, and ensuring that all residents have access to the services, support, and opportunities needed to achieve long-term health, wellness, and recovery.

RESOLUTION NO. R-2022-1340

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, CREATING THE PALM BEACH COUNTY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE USE AND CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS; PROVIDING FOR A PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP, APPOINTMENTS, TERMS; PROVIDING FOR OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; PROVIDING FOR SUNSHINE LAW, CODE OF ETHICS; PROVIDING FOR MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR SUBCOMMITTEES; PROVIDING FOR GENERAL PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE, SUNSET.

WHEREAS, behavioral health and substance use disorder are major health problems facing the citizens of Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) adopted an Opioid Epidemic Response Plan (the Response Plan) in April of 2017 that identified strategic areas of focus as well as related action steps including appointing a County Drug Czar, designating a lead entity, and establishing an opioid response steering committee to advise and help guide the County's efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Response Plan was intended to satisfy the State's Opioid Settlement Clearing Trust Fund requirement for an opioid response abatement plan pursuant to section 17.42 (4)(c), Florida Statutes (2022); and

WHEREAS, the BCC has identified the substance use epidemic including but not limited to opioids, crack cocaine and crystal methamphetamine as well as behavioral and substance use disorder as high strategic priorities; and

WHEREAS, a Behavioral Health, Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorder Steering Committee was established in 2019 consistent with the Opioid Response Plan, which was intended, in part, to satisfy the State's Opioid Settlement Clearing Trust Fund requirement for a Task Force to respond to the opioid epidemic pursuant to section 17.42 (4)(b), Florida Statutes (2022); and

WHEREAS, the BCC has expressed approval of a person-centered, recovery-oriented system of care focused on quality of care and long-term recovery outcome improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1: **Purpose.** There is hereby established the Palm Beach County Advisory Committee on Behavioral Health, Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorder (BHSUCOD) to enhance the County's capacity and effectiveness in formulating comprehensive, integrated, and effective behavioral health, substance use and co-

occurring disorders prevention, treatment, support, and recovery policies, as well as to offer recommendations regarding the County's provision of services to the citizens of Palm Beach County. The BHSUCOD will be supported by the Palm Beach County Community Services Department. The BHSUCOD will increase the coordination and interactions between organizations, agencies and institutions whose mission is to resolve Substance Use and Behavioral Disorders in Palm Beach County.

Section 2: <u>Membership, Appointments, Terms</u>.

A. Members: The BHSUCOD shall be comprised of nine (9) at-large Members and eight (8) Ex officio Members. Members and Ex Officio Members will have equal voting rights on all matters to come before the BHSUCOD. The total membership of the Advisory Committee shall, at a minimum, represent the organizations, agencies, institutions, and municipalities whose mission is to resolve Substance Use and Behavioral Disorders. Members shall be selected for their knowledge, competence, and experience relative to behavioral health and substance use disorder. In addition, three (3) of the nine (9) Members shall have lived experience with behavioral health and/or substance use disorder. All Members and Ex Officio Members must reside in Palm Beach County at the time of appointment and while serving on the Board. Membership shall be representative of the racial, ethnic, and geographic diversity of Palm Beach County.

B. Inaugural Membership. The nine (9) individuals who serve as Members of the Opioid Response Plan Steering Committee at the time this Resolution is approved by the BCC, and the three (3) individuals who serve as Ex Officio Members of that Steering Committee, shall comprise the inaugural membership of the BHSUCOD, provided each individual resides in Palm Beach County. Ex Officio Members required by Paragraph C below, who do not serve as Ex Officio Members of the Steering Committee at the time this Resolution is approved, will be added to the inaugural membership of the BHSUCOD immediately on recommendation of the organization they represent.

C. Ex Officio Members: the Ex Officio Members of the BHSUCOD shall be:
   1. One (1) member of the Palm Beach County League of Cities who represents a municipality involved in opioid litigation;
   2. One (1) member representing the State Attorney, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit;
   3. One (1) member representing the Health Care District of Palm Beach County;
   4. One (1) member representing the Florida Department of Health in Palm Beach County;
   5. One (1) member representing the Palm Beach County Sheriff;
   6. One (1) member representing Palm Beach County Fire Rescue;
   7. One (1) member representing Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network; and
   8. One (1) member representing Palm Health Foundation.

Ex Officio Members shall be recommended for membership by the organization they represent, and membership shall occur simultaneously with that recommendation.

D. Appointments and Terms: At the inaugural meeting of the BHSUCOD, there will be a random selection designating three (3) Members to serve a one (1)-year initial term, three (3) Members to serve a two (2)-year initial term, and three (3) Members to serve a three (3)-year initial term. Following a Member's inaugural membership, Members shall be appointed at large by the BCC, and serve staggered terms of three (3) years, with a limit of three (3) consecutive three (3)-year terms. Vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term, and shall not count toward the member's term limits. Ex Officio Members are not term limited. All Members shall serve at the pleasure of the BCC.

E. Attendance: Members shall be automatically removed for lack of attendance. Lack of attendance is defined as failure to attend three (3) consecutive meetings or failure to attend more than one-half of the meetings scheduled during a calendar year. Participation for less than three-fourths of a meeting shall be the same as a failure to attend a meeting. Members removed pursuant to this paragraph shall not continue to serve on the Advisory Committee and such removal shall create a vacancy. Attendance requirement does not apply to Ex Officio Members.

Section 3: Officers. A chair and vice-chair shall be elected by a majority vote of the BHSUCOD and shall serve for a term of one year, but not to exceed two consecutive terms in any one office. The duties of the chair shall be to:

A. Call Advisory Committee meetings and organize the agenda for the meetings;

B. Preside at Advisory Committee meetings;

C. Establish subcommittees, appoint subcommittee chairs, and charge subcommittees with specific tasks;

D. Serve as primary liaison with staff; and

E. Perform other functions as the Advisory Committee may suggest.

The vice-chair shall perform the duties of the chair in the chair's absence, and such other duties as the chair may assign.

If a vacancy occurs in the office of the chair, then the position shall be assumed by the vice-chair for the remainder of the term. Any remaining officer vacancies shall be filled through a majority vote of the Advisory Committee.

Section 4: Roles and Responsibilities. The BHUSCOD shall have the following roles and responsibilities:

A. Collect information related to substance abuse disorders in the County and provide that information to the BCC, along with recommendations on responding to the opioid epidemic, as provided in section 17.42, Florida Statutes (2022).

B. Submit to the BCC by October 1 of each year the BHSUCOD Annual Report or Response Plan Update, which shall evaluate mechanisms for behavioral health and substance use disorder services and recommend any changes that may improve the quality, long-term recovery outcomes, and coordination of these services.

C. If requested by the BCC, provide recommendations on positions the BCC may take on local, state and federal legislation.

Section 5: Sunshine Law, Codes of Ethics

The BHSUCOD is subject to Florida's Sunshine Law. Reasonable public notice of all meetings, including subcommittee meetings, shall be provided, as required by the Sunshine Law, and all meetings shall be open to the public and minutes shall be taken. Records are subject to public disclosure.

Members of the BHSUCOD shall comply with the State's Code of Ethics found in Chapter 112, Part III of the Florida Statutes, as well as Palm Beach County's Code of Ethics codified in Sections 2-254 through 2-260 of the Palm Beach County Code.

SECTION 6: Meetings

The BHSUCOD shall meet monthly, or as needed, as determined by a majority of the membership.. A quorum, as established by ordinance, must be present for the conduct of all meetings. Meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

SECTION 7. : Subcommittees

The BHSUCOD shall be as self-sufficient as possible in that there is no budget for its function. To this end, to carry out its duties, the creation of subcommittees is encouraged.

Section 8. General Provisions All members shall comply with the Uniform Policies and Procedures governing advisory bodies as set forth in Resolution No. 2013-0193, and any amendments thereto. Members will be provided a copy of the resolution and are expected to become familiar with the various requirements, including the provision for automatic removal for lack of attendance, conduct of meetings, and compliance with state and local laws pertaining to financial disclosure and other requirements.

The BHSUCOD is not established to duplicate efforts that County programs and departments were established to address.

No member shall represent the BHSUCOD before any governmental body or public or private entity or group unless approved to do so by a majority vote of the BHSUCOD.

SECTION 9: Effective Date, Sunset Provision

This Resolution shall become effective upon approval by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners, Palm Beach County, Florida. The BHSUCOD will sunset five years from the effective date unless the Board extends its service through official action.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner McKinlay, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sachs, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Robert S. Weinroth, Mayor	-	Aye
Gregg K. Weiss, Vice Mayor	-	Aye
Commissioner Maria G. Marino	-	Absent
Commissioner David Kerner	-	Absent
Commissioner Maria Sachs	-	Aye
Commissioner Melissa McKinlay	-	Aye
Commissioner Mack Bernard	-	Aye

The Mayor thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of November, 2022.

ATTEST:
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT:
Joseph Abruzzo

By: _____
Clerk of Court & Comptroller
Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM &
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

By: _____
Assistant County Attorney

PALM BEACH COUNTY, Florida
By its Board of County Commissioners

By: _____
Robert S. Weinroth, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

By: _____
Reginald K. Duren, Assistant
County Administrator

From P. 25 of the BCC Minutes, November 1, 2022, AMENDED MOTION

MOTION to adopt the resolution with the addition of a ninth Ex Officio member from the Southeast Florida Recovery Advocates (SEFRA). Motion by Commissioner McKinlay, seconded by Commissioner Sachs.

Discussion

UPON CALL FOR A VOTE, the motion carried 6-0.

Aye:	Mayor Weinroth, Vice Mayor Weiss, Commissioner Bernard, Commissioner Marino, Commissioner McKinlay, and Commissioner Sachs
Nay:	None
Absent:	Commissioner Kerner