



City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form

Meeting Date: 12/ 2/2025

Proposed Resolution No. R25-310- Ratify the City's application for the FY25 Office of Justice Programs Community Based Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative (CVIPI) through the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Department of Justice Office, and authorizing the Mayor to accept the grant, if awarded, and execute all future documents associated with the grant, subject to approval by the City Attorney.

Requested Action:

Staff recommends approval of Proposed Resolution No. R25-310.

Explanation of Request:

This initiative is designed to strengthen the City's ability to reduce violent crime by integrating advanced technology and expanding investigative capacity focused on violent crime reduction and gun violence intelligence.

A major component of the proposal includes the acquisition of the BrassTrax Integrated Ballistics Identification System, which will allow the Police Department to process ballistic evidence internally and immediately upload data to ATF's national system. This capability will significantly improve the timeliness of investigations, enhance the ability to link gun-related incidents, and provide stronger evidentiary support for prosecutions. The funding request covers the cost of hardware and software, installation, training, and a three-year service agreement, as well as technical integration with the ATF's National Integrated Ballistic Information Network.

The second component of the proposal provides overtime funding for detectives and specialized units engaged in violent crime investigations. These funds will enable sustained investigative operations, ensuring timely response to shootings and homicides, extended follow-up work, and ongoing collaboration with regional and federal partners. The additional staffing resources will also support community engagement efforts in areas experiencing higher levels of violent activity.

Together, these two components form a comprehensive strategy to address violent crime through both the application of advanced forensic tools and the allocation of personnel resources necessary to act on investigative leads.

How will this affect city programs or services?

The initiative will enhance the City's public safety programs by improving investigative efficiency and responsiveness to violent incidents. The ability to conduct in-house ballistic analysis will accelerate case linkages, increase clearance rates for shootings and homicides, and strengthen the overall quality of investigations. Overtime funding will ensure that detectives can continue critical investigative and community engagement work without impacting regular police operations or the City's general budget. This initiative also supports the core goals of the CVIPI program by promoting data-driven violence reduction strategies, interagency collaboration, and strengthened relationships between law enforcement and the community.

Account Line Item and Description: If awarded, grant accounts will be created.

Fiscal Impact:

If awarded, the City will receive \$298,892 in grant funds under the Community Violence Intervention and Prevention Initiative (CVIPI) program. The proposed budget includes \$150,000 for investigative overtime to support violent crime reduction efforts, \$140,939.51 for the purchase of the BrassTrax ballistics imaging system to enhance firearm investigations, and \$7,953 for costs associated with the mandatory CVIPI cross-site training and meeting. There is no local match required for this grant.

Attachments:

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