



City of Boynton Beach Agenda Item Request Form

Meeting Date: 01/20/2026

Proposed Resolution No. R26-001- Approve the Boynton Beach Police Department's use of Florida opioid settlement funds to support Police Officer training focused on operational readiness, including practical strategies for addressing opioid use disorder and co-occurring conditions, and to fund overtime costs associated with attending the training.

Requested Action: Staff recommends approval of Proposed Resolution No. R26-001.

Explanation of Request:

The State of Florida has distributed opioid settlement funds to local municipalities to support initiatives that address the impacts of the opioid epidemic. These funds are intended to support evidence-based strategies, including prevention, treatment, and response efforts related to opioid use disorder. Reference R21-174.

The Boynton Beach Police Department routinely encounters individuals affected by opioid use disorder and related co-occurring mental health conditions. To enhance officer preparedness and promote community safety, the Police Department is requesting approval to use a portion of the City's allocated opioid settlement funds for specialized training designed to improve operational readiness.

The proposed online training course, "Operational Readiness for Police Officers – Effective Strategies and Practical Techniques for Addressing Opioid Use Disorder and Co-occurring Conditions," is provided by Zschool in partnership with the University of Miami. This training will equip officers with practical strategies for recognizing opioid use disorder, safely interacting with affected individuals, and responding effectively to opioid-related incidents.

The quoted cost to train 172 officers is \$77,400. In addition, overtime expenses will be necessary to maintain adequate staffing levels while officers participate in the training. The overtime cost is TBD but will not exceed \$50,000.

Use of the opioid settlement funds for this purpose is consistent with allowable uses established by the State of Florida and supports the City's public safety and public health objectives.

How will this affect city programs or services?

Approval of this item will enhance existing police services by improving officer knowledge, skills, and preparedness when responding to opioid-related incidents. The training is expected to support safer interactions, improve outcomes for individuals experiencing opioid use disorder, and strengthen coordination between law enforcement and public health efforts.

Account Line Item and Description: Opioid Settlement Acct. 001-0000-369-35-00

Total Funds Received \$308,495.18

October 2026 \$9,488.63

April 2025 \$90,327.66

December 2024 \$143,264.95

December 2023 65,413.94

Fiscal Impact:

Funding for this request will be provided from the City's allocated Florida opioid settlement funds. There is no impact to the City's General Fund. Expenditures will include training costs and related overtime for participating Police Officers, not to exceed the amount allocated for this purpose within the opioid settlement fund.

Attachments:

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