

**CITY OF BUCKEYE
Regular Council Meeting
COUNCIL ACTION REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 11/18/25	AGENDA ITEM: 4.F. PD - Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County Sheriff's Office for MCSO Detention Officer Training Academy
DATE PREPARED: 11/13/25	DISTRICT NO.:
STAFF LIAISON: Robert Sanders, Chief of Police, rsanders@buckeyeaz.gov, (623) 349-6430	
DEPARTMENT: Police	AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Consent Agenda Items / New Business

ACTION/MOTION: (This language identifies the formal motion to be made by the Council)
Council to take action on Resolution NO. 86-25 approving the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Buckeye and Maricopa County authorizing Buckeye Police Department attendance at the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Detention Officer Training Academy; and authorizing the City Manager to execute and deliver said Agreement and related documents on behalf of the City of Buckeye.

SUMMARY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

This project establishes an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Buckeye Police Department and the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office to allow Buckeye detention recruits to attend the MCSO Detention Officer Training Academy. The agreement provides a cost-effective way for Buckeye PD to train detention personnel without creating its own academy. Recruits will receive professional, accredited instruction through MCSO's established training program, ensuring compliance with state standards and consistency in detention operations. The City will pay a \$250 registration fee per recruit, with all other training costs, facilities, and instruction provided by MCSO. The agreement supports operational efficiency, staff development, and long-term collaboration between agencies, helping Buckeye PD meet staffing and training needs in a financially responsible manner.

BENEFITS:

This Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Buckeye Police Department and the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) allows Buckeye PD detention recruits to attend the MCSO Detention Officer Training Academy. The agreement provides significant cost savings by offering professional training for a \$250 per recruit fee, avoiding the expense of creating and operating a separate academy. Recruits will receive high-quality, accredited instruction through MCSO's established training program, ensuring consistency with state and regional detention standards.

The arrangement increases operational efficiency by allowing Buckeye PD to train new recruits as space permits, supporting timely staffing of detention positions. It also promotes professional development by exposing recruits to best practices and procedures from a large, experienced law enforcement agency. The agreement includes clear administrative and legal safeguards outlining responsibilities, indemnification, and compliance requirements to protect both parties. It further provides long-term stability through a two-year initial term, beginning July 1, 2025, with renewal options for continued collaboration and budget control.

FUTURE ACTION:

Future action includes an annual cost review conducted by the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, with any necessary amendments processed by April of each fiscal year and taking effect at the start of the new

fiscal year. Any amendments or cost adjustments will require approval by both the Buckeye City Council and the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors.

Following the initial two-year term (July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2027), the agreement will automatically renew for up to two additional one-year terms unless cancelled or terminated. Either party may terminate the agreement with 30 days written notice, or immediately if health or welfare concerns arise.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The financial impact of this Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Buckeye Police Department and the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) is minimal. The City will pay a non-refundable registration fee of \$250 per recruit for participation in the MCSO Detention Officer Training Academy. No additional operational or facility costs are incurred, as MCSO provides the training space, curriculum, and instruction. Funding for participant fees will be covered within the existing Police Department training budget.

This agreement provides a cost-effective means to ensure detention recruits receive required certification and training without the significant expenses associated with establishing and maintaining a separate detention academy. Future fiscal impacts are limited to the number of recruits enrolled annually, and costs are reviewed by MCSO each fiscal year to allow for budget planning and amendment as needed.

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR TOTAL COST:

Dependent upon attendance of Prisoner Transport Officer Candidates.

BUDGETED:

No

FISCAL YEAR:

2026-2028

Items related to a project or facility location must include an attached vicinity map for Council Review.

ATTACHMENTS:

[IGA Buckeye PD DETENTION ACADEMY \(6\) \(003\).pdf](#)

[Resolution No. 86-25 Approving IGA between City of Buckeye and Maricopa County.docx](#)