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CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: September 24, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Elba Viruet, Police

ITEM TYPE: Presentation

AGENDA SECTION: PRESENTATIONS

SUBJECT: Florida Contraband Forfeiture Grant Program Awards

SUGGESTED ACTION: Presentation of checks from Forfeiture Grant Program to local non-profits.

Is this item Quasi-Judicial?

No

Does this item require a public hearing?

No

EXPLANATION:

The Bradenton Police Department's 8th Annual Florida Contraband Forfeiture Grant Program is an example of our commitment to community policing and engagement. Our agency must donate at least 25% of forfeiture funds received annually to community organizations and programs engaged in projects that seek to improve neighborhood safety, promote crime prevention, drug prevention, drug education, drug treatment services, or school resource officer programs. The \$15,800 awarded through these grants, in addition to funds already expended with your approval, far exceed the minimum annual requirement. Each organization selected provides services within the City of Bradenton and will directly impact our residents.

Selected recipients of the Bradenton Police Department's 8th Annual Florida Contraband Forfeiture Grant Program are:

Boys & Girls Club of Manatee County, Inc.
Bradenton Gladiators Football, Inc.
Bradenton Police Department Explorer Post #1004
Florida Cultural Group, Inc.
Hand Up to Victory, Inc.

Manatee County Girls Club, Inc. dba Just for Girls
New Manatee Broncos
Pace Center for Girls of Manatee County
Prodigal Daughters Journey Home
Rogers Garden Bullock Elementary School
Special Olympics Florida, Inc.
United Community Centers, Inc./13th Avenue Dream Center

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

ATTORNEY REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

SUGGESTED MOTION:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS: