#25-1016

**TO**: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

**DATE**: November 4, 2025

**TITLE**: Motion Accepting State Financial Assistance Award for the Fort Lauderdale

Violence Interruption Project - \$650,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3

and 4)

## **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve the acceptance of funding via the State's General Appropriations Act for the 2025-2026 fiscal year in the amount of \$650,000 for provision of the Fort Lauderdale Violence Interruption Project.

#### **Background**

During the last State of Florida Legislative funding cycle, the City submitted a proposal requesting funding for a pilot program focused on reducing violent crime through evidence-based, data-driven strategies. In September 2025, the City was awarded \$650,000 to launch this program which seeks to curb gun violence and enhance public safety by implementing a focused-deterrence approach.

Funding will be used to acquire office supplies, outreach materials, mobile license plate readers, software for data sharing and analytics associated with prevention and intervention activities, and to contract for development of a Group Violence Intervention strategy. The period of performance is July 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026.

#### **Resource Impact**

There is an anticipated positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$650,000, contingent upon the approval of the November 4, 2025 Consolidated Budget Amendment (CAM #25-0931).

## Source:

Funds available as of October 17, 2025								
ACCOUNT	COST CENTER	CHARACTER	AMENDED	AVAILABLE				
NUMBER	NAME	CODE/ ACCOUNT	BUDGET	BALANCE	AMOUNT			
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	FY 2025-2026							
	State							
	Appropriations /	Intergovt Revenue /						
10-129-9300-521-334-	Violence	Florida Department						
200-25GFDLEVIP	Interruption Project	of Law Enforcement	\$0	\$0	\$650,000.00			
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			TOTAL AMOUNT →		\$650,000.00			

#### Use:

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	FY 2025-2026				
	State				
	Appropriations /				
10-129-9300-521-20-	Violence	Service & Materials/			
2404-25GFDLEVIP	Interruption Project	Other Prof Services	\$0	\$0	\$282,000.00
	FY 2025-2026				
	State				
	Appropriations /				
10-129-9300-521-30-	Violence	Service & Materials/			
3322-25GFDLEVIP	Interruption Project	Other Facil Rent	\$0	\$0	\$18,000.00
	FY 2025-2026				
	State				
	Appropriations /				
10-129-9300-521-30-	Violence	Service & Materials/			
3949-25GFDLEVIP	Interruption Project	Uniforms	\$0	\$0	\$4,800.00
	FY 2025-2026				
	State				
	Appropriations /				
10-129-9300-521-30-	Violence	Service & Materials/			
3999-25GFDLEVIP	Interruption Project	Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$5,200.00
	FY 2025-2026				
	State				
	Appropriations /				
10-129-9300-521-60-	Violence	Capital Outlay/			
6405-25GFDLEVIP	Interruption Project	Computer Software	\$0	\$0	\$170,000.00
	FY 2025-2026	-	·		
	State				
	Appropriations /				
10-129-9300-521-60-	Violence	Capital Outlay/ Other			
6499-25GFDLEVIP	Interruption Project	Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$170,000.00
			TOTAL AMOUNT $\rightarrow$		\$650,000.00

# **Strategic Connections**

This item is a 2026 Commission Priority, advancing the Public Safety initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

 The Public Safety Focus Area, Goal 1: Be a safe community that is proactive and responsive to risks.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community.

This item supports the Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan specifically advancing:

- The Public Safety Focus Area
- The Coastal Management, Community Health and Safety Element
- Goal 4: Coordinate with related partners and agencies (at city, local, county, regional, state, and federal levels) to plan for disaster and emergency management, further the resiliency of coastal areas, and ensure city-wide community health and safety.

## **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – Florida Department of Law Enforcement Agreement for State Financial Assistance

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