#24-0621

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

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

**DATE**: July 2, 2024

TITLE: Motion Authorizing the Acceptance of Grant Funds from Broward

Behavioral Health Coalition; Coordinated Opioid Recovery (CORE) Network of Addiction Care Program - \$500,000 - (Commission Districts

1, 2, 3 and 4)

# **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission authorize the acceptance of grants funds from the Broward Behavioral Health Coalition; Coordinated Opioid Recovery (CORE) Network of Addiction Care Program in the amount of \$500,000 and authorize the City Manager to execute any documents required to accept the funds.

# **Background**

The Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC) has proposed to fund the City of Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue Department in the amount of \$500,000 to organize a program targeting the treatment of opioid addiction. This program is exciting and fits within our mission of "saving life and property by providing the highest level of emergency services for our community since 1912". This grant is closely aligned with our recent efforts towards addressing frequent callers and addressing needs within our community through our Mobile Integrated Health Program.

The proposed CORE Program will enhance our ability to address the opioid crisis in our community. Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) affects thousands of Americans annually. In 2023, the City of Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue (FLFR) responded to 833 Opioid related incidents, while this year, FLFR has responded to 436 such incidents to date. The CORE Program's main pillars are first responders, hospital emergency departments and treatment facilities. BBHC's objective is to expand access and remove barriers to treatment for OUD. FLFR will continue to collaborate and partner with community organizations through the Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) program to support populations most affected by substance abuse. This grant will enable FLFR to enhance social support for people at high risk for overdose by visiting patients daily to monitor and administer medication for up to fourteen days, thus promoting public safety.

The grant award will fund the one-year pilot program including overtime services by a

specialty-training paramedic each day, the salary and benefits for one (1) temporary Community Health Coordinator, a vehicle, and associated grant operating expenses.

# **Resource Impact**

This action will result in a positive impact to the city for \$500,000. This item is contingent upon the approval of the Consolidated Budget Amendment CAM #24-0323.

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-529- 337-201-24GCORE	FY24 Coordinated Opioid Recovery Program	Intergovernmental Revenues/ Broward County - Public Safety	N/A	N/A	\$500,000
			TOTAL AMOUNT →		\$500,000

#### Use:

ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	AMOUNT
10-129-9300-529- 10-1199-24GCORE	FY24 Coordinated Opioid Recovery Program	Salaries and Wages/ Other Regular Salaries	N/A	N/A	\$58,000
10-129-9300-529- 20-2199-24GCORE	FY24 Coordinated Opioid Recovery Program	Salaries and Wages/ Other Employee Benefits	N/A	N/A	\$14,500
10-129-9300-529- 30-3199-24GCORE	FY24 Coordinated Opioid Recovery Program	Services/ Materials/ Other Professional Services	N/A	N/A	\$15,414
10-129-9300-529- 30-3201-24GCORE	FY24 Coordinated Opioid Recovery Program	Services/ Materials/ Ad/Marketing	N/A	N/A	\$25,000
10-129-9300-529- 30-3925-24GCORE	FY24 Coordinated Opioid Recovery Program	Services/ Materials/ Office Equipment	N/A	N/A	\$80,000
10-129-9300-529- 40-4337-24GCORE	FY24 Coordinated Opioid Recovery Program	Other Operating Expenses/ Service Charge - Fire	N/A	N/A	\$244,986
10-129-9300-529- 60-6416-24GCORE	FY24 Coordinated Opioid Recovery Program	Capital Outlay/ Vehicles	N/A	N/A	\$62,100
			TOTAL AMOUNT →		\$500,000

# **Strategic Connections**

This item is a 2024 Commission Priority, advancing the Public Safety initiatives.

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
- Coastal Management, Community Health, and Safety Element
- Goal 4.5: Community Health and Safety. Ensure local standards and proactive measures to enhance community health and safety in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

### **Related CAM**

24-0323

#### **Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – CORE Agreement

Exhibit 2 – Coordinated Opioid Recovery (CORE) Program

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