



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

24-0750

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

DATE: August 20, 2024

TITLE: Resolution Approving a Settlement Agreement between the Office of the State Courts Administrator and the City of Fort Lauderdale for Reimbursement of Community Court Expenses, and Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Execute the Settlement Agreement and Any Other Documents Required to Accept State Funds - \$86,444.10 - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving a Settlement Agreement between the Office of the State Courts Administrator and the City of Fort Lauderdale for reimbursement of Community Court expenses and authorizing the Acting City Manager to execute the Settlement Agreement and any other documents required to accept state funds.

Background

The Florida Legislature appropriated \$100,000.00 in Chapter 2023-239, Section 7, Line 3313 as grant-in-aid to the City of Fort Lauderdale to fund the operational expenses of the weekly Community Court sessions. The Community Court program addresses the City Commission's FY 2024 Top Priority on Housing Accessibility by coordinating services to address mental health, physical health, and addiction for those that are homeless or at risk. Through the settlement agreement the City seeks reimbursement for program expenses in the amount of \$86,444.10 from July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024.

Resource Impact

There is a positive fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$86,444.10 for the reimbursement of Community Court expenses from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

Funds available as of August 2, 2024					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME	CHARACTER CODE/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character)	AMOUNT
10-001-1453-564-369-921	Neighbor Support Community Court	Miscellaneous/ Grant Payroll Reimbursements	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$86,444.10
TOTAL AMOUNT →					\$86,444.10

Strategic Connections

This item is a FY 2024 Commission Priority, advancing the *Affordable Housing and Economic Development* initiative.

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

- The Housing Focus Area, Goal: Enable housing options for all income levels.

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

Attachments

- Exhibit 1 – Settlement Agreement
- Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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