

Memorandum



Date: May 17, 2024

To: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item No. 2(B)(5)
June 4, 2024

From: Daniella Levine Cava
Mayor

Subject: Report on Funding Received and Expenditures Made from the Miami-Dade Police Department's Youth Outreach Unit Trust Fund - Directive 213074

Executive Summary

The following information is provided in response to Resolution No. R-114-22, sponsored by former Commissioner Sally A. Heyman and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on February 1, 2022, establishing the Youth Outreach Unit Trust Fund (YOU Trust Fund), for use by the Miami-Dade Police Department's (MDPD) Community Affairs Bureau's Youth Outreach Unit (YOU), and requiring the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide an initial report to the Board no later than July 31, 2022, and biannually thereafter. This report details funding received and expenditures made from the YOU Trust Fund during the period of July 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023. The YOU Trust Fund did not receive any revenue during this reporting period. YOU expenditures during this reporting period totaled \$23,042.60 and will be reimbursed from its \$75,000 Peace & Prosperity Plan allocation. Below is a breakdown of expenditures during this reporting period:

| Account Description | Reporting Period Total | Line-Item Description |
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| Overtime | \$ 3,024.61 | The YOU provides mentoring to youths affected by gun violence. Program hours are Monday-Friday during the school year. |
| Other Operating Supplies | \$ 3,682.99 | Transportation, field trips, t-shirts, and promotional items |
| Food | \$16,335.00 | Meals and snacks for YOU participants |
| Reporting Period Total | \$23,042.60 | |

Background

The MDPD created the YOU to combat gun violence occurring in Miami-Dade County (County) by mentoring at-risk youth identified by the Group Violence Intervention Team. MDPD officers assigned to the YOU mentor identified youth living in households directly affected by gun violence, in hopes of preventing their potential future involvement in gun-related activity. Programming activities of the YOU include homework assistance, cultural excursions, cooking classes, summer camp, guest speaker series, book clubs, and sporting events. YOU programming is provided five days a week, and on weekends for excursions. Additionally, the YOU provides its participants with daily meals and transportation.

To support the YOU's efforts, Resolution No. R-114-22 created the YOU Trust Fund as a mechanism to receive funds from public and private entities for use on programming not budgeted for in the MDPD's General Fund, such as daily meals, transportation, weekend excursions, and summer activities. The YOU received a \$75,000 allocation from the Mayor's Year 3 Peace & Prosperity Plan that was deposited into the County's "Anti-Gun Violence and Prosperity Initiatives" trust fund, managed by Miami-Dade County's Office of Management and Budget. During this reporting period, the MDPD's YOU expended \$23,042.60 from its \$75,000 allocation. The YOU Trust Fund did not receive any funds.

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The MDPD remains committed to youth and the reduction of gun violence in our community and will utilize the YOU Trust Fund to receive and expend funds in support of the YOU's mission.

Per Ordinance 14-65, this memorandum will be placed on the next available Board meeting agenda.

Should you require additional information, please contact Stephanie V. Daniels, Director, Miami-Dade Police Department, at 305-471-3272.

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