

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recommendation to Approve Agreements School Resource Officer (SRO) Program 2020-2021

Introduction

Responsible: Procurement & Warehousing Services (PWS)

This request is to approve the recommendation to award the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Agreements for The Cities of Fort Lauderdale and Miramar for ten (10) months August 19, 2020 through June 9, 2021. The Special Investigative Unit (SIU) Department will use these Agreements.

The spending authority being requested is \$1,740,000.

Goods/Services Description

Responsible: Special Investigative Unit (SIU)

The SRO Program is a joint venture between The School Board of Broward County, Florida (SBBC), and the cities law enforcement agency in Broward County. The SRO Program enhances the relationship between law enforcement and the students of Broward County Public Schools by assigning law enforcement officers to serve as resource officers at schools. The SRO performs multiple duties within a school including, without limitation to:

- the performance of law enforcement functions within the school setting;
- the provision of assistance to SBBC in protecting and securing the school site and its occupants during regular school hours and for the duration of any food distribution or dissemination of electronic devices;
- the enhancement of student knowledge of the law enforcement function and the fundamental concept and structure of law through a joint effort between SBBC and City;
- the development of positive student concepts of the law enforcement community and promotion of positive interaction and enhanced relations between students and law enforcement officers;
- the provision of assistance and support for crime victims (including victims of abuse) identified within the school setting;
- the presentation of educational programs concerning crime prevention and the rights, obligations, and responsibilities of students as citizens;
- SROs shall participate as a Behavioral Threat Assessment (“BTA”) Team Member at a behavioral threat assessment meeting located at the respective Participating SBBC School. As a BTA Team Member, the SRO may assist the school in gathering information, evaluating facts, and making institutional determinations, such as whether a health or safety emergency exists, and how the school should respond. SRO’s will also, along with other BTA team members, have access to SBBC’s Psychological Services Department.
- to the extent SROs have not completed training related to racial equity and best practices for interactions with persons who have intellectual or developmental disabilities, SBBC will provide training opportunities for all SROs assigned to school sites during regular school hours or on any agreed-upon early release day or employee planning day at no cost.

The SRO Program is an excellent benefit to the School Administration, the Student Body, and the Community as a whole. The Parties (each respective City or Town and SBBC) desire to enter into this SRO Agreement (hereafter referred to as “Agreement”) to accomplish the purposes expressed.

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**Procurement Method
Responsible: PWS**

Purchasing Policy 3320, Part II, Rule G, and Section 6A-1012(7), Florida Administrative Code allows the requirement for requesting competitive solicitations or prior School Board approval waived for the purchase of professional services.

**Financial Impact
Responsible: PWS and SIU**

The estimated financial impact to the District will be:

Twenty-nine (29) SROs at \$6,000 each for ten (10) Months	\$1,740,000
Total Estimated Financial Impact	\$1,740,000

These Agreements reflect a yearly increase from \$54,600 to \$60,000 for each SRO. The funding source will come from the Safe Schools Allocation and security funding provided by the referendum. The financial impact amount represents an estimated contract value; however, the amount authorized will not exceed the estimated contract award amount.

Financial analysis and impact are provided in Table 1 below:

Agency Name/Location City Name	ID Number	# of SROs	Monthly Cost x SRO	# of Months	Annual Cost
City of Fort Lauderdale	FY21-059	10	\$ 6,000	10	\$ 600,000
City of Miramar	FY21-064	19	\$ 6,000	10	\$ 1,140,000
		29			\$ 1,740,000

The allocation of the SROs is provided in Table 2 below:

AGENCY/MUNICIPALITY	ELEMENTARY		MIDDLE		HIGH		CENTER / ALTERNATIVE		COMBINATION		NUMBER OF SRO	NUMBER OF SITES SERVICED
City of Fort Lauderdale			New River	1	Fort Lauderdale	1	Whiddon Rogers	1	Dillard's 6-12	2		
			Sunrise	1	Sheridan Tech	1						
			William Dandy	1	Seagull Alternative	1						
					Stranahan	1						
			3		4		1		2	10	9	
City of Miramar	Coconut Palm	1	Glades	1	Everglades	2	Henry D Perry	1	Perry Annabel C.	1		
	Coral Cove	1	New Renaissance	1	Miramar	2	Whispering Pines	1				
	Dolphin Bay	1										
	Fairway	1										
	Miramar	1										
	Sea Castle	1										
	Silver Lakes	1										
	Silver Shores	1										
	Sunset Lakes	1										
Sunshine	1											
	10		2		4		2		1	19	17	
TOTALS	10		5		8		3		3	29	26	