

Legislation Text

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A Resolution authorizing an expenditure in the amount of \$3,000 from encumbered State Forfeited Asset Fund (F.A.F.) moneys, to support the 2019/2020 Fiscal Year operations of the L.E.A.D. Program, conducted by the Coral Gables Police Department Youth Resource Unit.

State Forfeited Asset Funds (F.A.F.) consist of the proceeds from the seizure and forfeiture of certain assets identified during criminal investigations to have been possessed or utilized in violation of the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act.

Pursuant to the provisions of Florida State Statute 932.7055(5)(c)(3), a local law enforcement agency must expend or donate no less than 25% of State Forfeited Assets for school resource officer, crime prevention, safe neighborhood and drug abuse education and prevention programs. F.A.F. monies have been encumbered to set aside funds to support Youth Resource Unit programs as required by Statute.

Law Enforcement Against Drugs (L.E.A.D.) operates age-specific anti-drug and anti-violence programs and teachings for grades K-5, grades 6-8, and grades 9-12. It is a new program being undertaken in the 2019/2020 fiscal year. The activities associated with the L.E.A.D. Program, which are conducted by the Coral Gables Police Department Youth Resource Unit, qualify as a permissible expenditure under FSS 932.7055(5)(c)(3).

City leadership have reviewed, vetted, and approved the Coral Gables Chief of Police's request to encumber and expend as needed the available forfeited asset funds via memorandum dated January 8, 2020.