

# Memorandum



**Date:** August 3, 2022

**To:** Honorable Chairman Jose “Pepe” Diaz  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Daniella Levine Cava  
Mayor *Daniella Levine Cava*

**Subject:** Report on Funding Received and Expenditures Made from the Youth Outreach Unit Trust Fund - Directive 213074

---

The following information is provided in response to Resolution No. R-114-22, sponsored by 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.

The MDPD created the YOU to combat gun violence occurring in Miami-Dade County by mentoring at-risk youth identified by the Group Violence Intervention team. The MDPD’s YOU officers 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. The YOU provides programming five days a week, and on weekends for excursions. Additionally, the YOU provides daily meals and transportation. To support the YOU’s efforts, Resolution No. R-114-22 created the YOU Trust Fund to receive funds from public and private donations and then use such funds on expenditures not budgeted in the MDPD’s General Fund, such as daily meals, transportation, weekend excursions, and summer activities.

To date, there have been no receipts or expenditures of funds made from the YOU Trust Fund. However, Resolution No. R-649-22, adopted by the Board on July 7, 2022, approving the Peace and Prosperity Plan for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, included an allocation of \$75,000 for the YOU. The \$75,000 allocation from the Year 3 Peace and Prosperity Plan will be deposited into the YOU Trust Fund for use in support of out-of-school activities such as spring and summer break camps and other related programming.

The MDPD remains committed to youth and the reduction of gun violence in our community. The MDPD will continue to 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 Director Alfredo “Freddy” Ramirez III, Miami-Dade Police Department, at (305) 471-3272.

- c: Geri Bonzon-Keenan, County Attorney  
Gerald K. Sanchez, First Assistant County Attorney  
Jess M. McCarty, Executive Assistant County Attorney  
Office of the Mayor Senior Staff  
Alfredo “Freddy” Ramirez III, Director, Miami-Dade Police Department  
Jennifer Moon, Chief, Office of Policy and Budgetary Affairs  
Adeyinka Majekodunmi, Commission Auditor  
Basia Pruna, Director, Clerk of the Board  
Eugene Love, Agenda Coordinator