



## CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

### **AGENDA ITEM**

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Report: Allocation from the Board of State and Community Corrections, Request to Accept the Disbursement of \$1,000,000 as Approved by the Amended Budget Act of 2021.

1. Motion to accept the disbursement of \$1,000,000 as approved by the amended Budget Act of 2021 that is to be allocated by the Board of State and Community Corrections.
2. Resolution of Appropriation in the amount of \$1,000,000.

### **COUNCIL ACTION**

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**Item Type:** Consent Calendar

**Approved for** August 23, 2022 **calendar**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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To accept \$1,000,000 disbursement to the City of Glendale Police Department through the amended Budget Act of 2021 that is to be allocated by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC).

## **COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

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N/A

## **RECOMMENDATION**

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Approve the resolution of appropriations and attached motion accepting \$1,000,000 from the BSCC to be used to create the Glendale Police Department's mental health and drug intervention pilot program.

## **BACKGROUND**

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On September 23, 2021, the Governor approved California Senate Bill 170 (SB 170) which amended the Budget Act of 2021. The Budget Act of 2021 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2021–22 fiscal year. SB 170 amended the Budget Act of 2021 by amending, adding, and repealing items of appropriation and making other changes. This bill became effective immediately upon approval as an urgency measure.

The amended Budget Act of 2021 approved for the BSCC to allocate a disbursement in accordance with Senate Bill 170, Chapter 240, Statutes of 2021, Control Section 19.56(e), (225), to the City of Glendale in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the Glendale Police Department's Mental Health and Drug Intervention Pilot Program. The Police Department is able to utilize the funding for the stated purpose through the end of the funding period which is June 30, 2026.

## **ANALYSIS**

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The supply, distribution, and potency of illicitly manufactured fentanyl and fentanyl analogs in the U.S. drug market is continuously evolving. As a result, the nation's drug overdose epidemic continues to change and worsen. Unfortunately, the City of Glendale is not immune to these dangers, which affect all ages and socioeconomic statuses. Overdose deaths involving synthetic opioids other than methadone, including fentanyl and fentanyl analogs, increased nationally by over 56% from 2019 to 2020. Glendale saw fifteen deaths in 2019 and twenty-seven in 2020, an 80% increase yearly. Los Angeles County has not yet released 2021 statistics.

The increase in overdose deaths highlights the need to ensure that people most at risk of overdose can access care, as well as the need to expand prevention and response activities. Senator Anthony Portantino garnered a one-million-dollar disbursement for a unique mental health and drug intervention program built and managed by the Glendale Police Department. After careful research with medical and public health professionals, harm reduction organizations, first responders, experts in the area of addiction, and other community partners, staff recommends the following for a five-year plan as appropriate based on local needs and characteristics:

- Labor – Staff needed for an intervention team of qualified individuals to provide resources for those experiencing addiction and/or mental health dual diagnoses and to provide resources to them and their families. Administer measures to collect data specific to the program and ensure meaningful linkages are complete

with community resources. Establish community relationships with organizations that provide psychosocial services.

- Contractual – Working with various vendors to produce and market media-based education to the community. Strategic efforts will focus on literature, social media, and film documentaries.
- General supplies – General supplies needed for successful operations of staff and vendors.
- Printing and Graphics – Literature and marketing needed to reach and educate Glendale’s broad community of all socioeconomic statuses, languages, and age-appropriate content.

## **STAKEHOLDERS/OUTREACH**

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The disbursement will be used to pilot a mental health and drug intervention program focusing on early education, prevention, and intervention for those already suffering from addiction. The program’s goal is intended to stop substance abuse with an emphasis on the dangers of fentanyl and accidental overdose and death.

Numerous entities were consulted to include: third party counseling/rehabilitation providers, clinicians, doctors, local hospitals, County Health Departments, youth groups, community foundations, experts in the field of drug addiction, and the Glendale Unified School District.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

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The \$1,000,000 disbursement to the City of Glendale Police Department for a mental health and drug intervention pilot program was not included as part of the FY2022-23 budget. Therefore, staff is requesting for an appropriation of \$1,000,000 from State Grant Revenue. The appropriation request is outlined below:

<b>Requesting Appropriation:</b>			
<b>Amount</b>	<b>From (Account String)</b>	<b>To (Accounting String)</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>
\$1,000,000	GL: 32610-2610-GPD-0020-P0000-T0000-F0000-0000-0000-PL: GPD00759AG		Police Special Grant Fund – State Grants
\$500,000		GL: 41100-2610-GPD-0020-P0000-T0000-F0000-0000	Police Special Grant Fund - Labor

		PL: GPD00759AG	
\$250,000		GL: 43110-2610-GPD-0020-P0000-T0000-F0000-0000 PL: GPD00759AG	Police Special Grant Fund – Contractual Services
\$150,000		GL: 45350-2610-GPD-0020-P0000-T0000-F0000-0000 PL: GPD00759AG	Police Special Grant Fund – General Supplies
\$100,000		GL: 45450-2610-GPD-0020-P0000-T0000-F0000-0000 PL: GPD00759AG	Police Special Grant Fund – Printing/Graphics

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (CEQA/NEPA)**

There is no possibility that the acceptance of this disbursement may have a significant effect on the environment. (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3))

### **CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE**

This item is exempt from campaign disclosure requirements.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

Alternative 1: Approve as requested by the Police Department.

Alternative 2: Deny the Police Department's request.

Alternative 3: The City Council may consider any other alternative not proposed by staff.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**

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**Approved by:**

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### **EXHIBITS/ATTACHMENTS**

None.