



May 19, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Subject

Authorization to Apply for a Grant from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for the Opioid Affected Youth Initiative, Thu Le, Health Information Services Manager – Countywide

Category

CONSENT AGENDA

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Thu Le, Health Information Services Manager, ext. 8173
Lauren Franklin, Grant Supervisor, ext. 1615

Action Requested

1. Authorize the submission of an OJJDP FY25 Opioid Affected Youth Initiative grant application; and
2. Authorize the Chairman, the County Administrator, Deputy County Administrator, the Director of Public Safety, any of their designees, Director of Government Relations, any of their designees, and the Grant Division Manager to execute all necessary subsequent documents related to the grant submission.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

34 U.S.C. § 11171-72; Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2025, Pub. L. No. 119-4, 139 Stat. 9, 40; see Pub. L. No. 118-42, 138 Stat. 25, 150.

Applicable Advisory Board

N/A

Background Discussion

As Manatee County's Overdose Prevention and Education Program (OPEP) approaches the final year of its four-year grant period, the Health Services Section of the Public Safety Department is seeking to expand the program and access additional funding opportunities. The proposed OPEP Youth and Family Wellness Program will expand services by introducing a dedicated youth-and-family-centered component. This initiative will provide prevention education, strengthen family engagement, and offer overdose response training. In addition to addressing opioid misuse, this service will branch beyond opioids to address broader substance use prevention and overall behavioral health wellness.

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Instructions to Board Records

Please send electronic copies to lauren.franklin@mymanatee.org; thu.le@mymanatee.org; and patricia.blizzard@mymanatee.org.

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Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

\$750,000, Federal Grant Fund from OJJDP; Account key to be created upon acceptance

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

\$750,000 over a 36-month period