

# Memorandum



**Date:** February 9, 2017

Agenda Item No. 2(B)2  
February 22, 2017

**To:** Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo Jr.  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** Carlos A. Gimenez  
Mayor

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**Subject:** Multi-Agency Uniformed Police Patrol Program - Directive 151040

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Per Resolution R-340-15, the following information is provided in response to Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson's request that the administration provide a written report outlining the development of a Multi-Agency Uniformed Police Patrol Program consisting of Miami-Dade County (County) and municipal police officers to jointly patrol certain high crime areas in the County, irrespective of jurisdictional boundaries; identify available funding sources within the County budget to implement such a program; identify areas in the County that would benefit from such program; and identify municipalities to participate in the program and negotiate any necessary agreements with such municipalities, subject to approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

The Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD) has numerous inter-agency partnerships with federal, state, and local agencies that are invaluable to the County's overall crime prevention and enforcement efforts. At this time, these partnerships do not include a Multi-agency Uniformed Patrol Program because of the County's current Mutual Aid Agreements (MAAs) with the municipalities that allow for emergency assistance and voluntary cooperation across jurisdictional boundaries, including uniformed police patrol services (see list of municipalities and agencies attached). Due to the County's existing MAAs, police agencies in the County provide multi-agency/multi-jurisdictional uniformed police patrol services throughout the County upon request from the agency or agencies in need.

MAAs provide services such as joint multi-jurisdictional criminal investigations, joint training, off-duty special events, assistance in emergency situations, transportation of evidence that requires security, and other police services, as requested, across jurisdictional boundaries. Under the County's current MAAs, each agency has a supervisor from their respective employing agency that is responsible for the actions of the employees while performing outside their employing agency's jurisdiction. Therefore, the employing agency remains responsible for the management, supervision, training, and liability of its employees while operating outside its jurisdiction, which eliminates concerns regarding accountability.

Routine patrol operations often and unpredictably result in additional law enforcement activities being required such as preserving active crime scenes, arresting and transporting subjects, investigating violations of the law, and collecting and processing

evidence. Therefore, once engaged in the routine police services outside their jurisdiction, those police officers involved may have duties to complete that could cause them to be unavailable to go back into service in their employing jurisdiction for some time.

The respective leaders of the North Miami, Miami Gardens, and Opa-locka Police Departments were contacted for their input on the proposed Multi-Agency Uniformed Police Patrol program. The collective opinion was that, under the current framework of the existing MAAs and the current positive working relationships that they maintain with the County, there is no need for such a Multi-Agency Uniformed Police Patrol Program.

The County's current MAAs provide a viable approach for municipal law enforcement agencies to render reciprocal police assistance within the County. In addition, the present delivery of the law enforcement services within the County utilizes uses a collaborative approach, as evidenced by the deployment of the Multi-Agency Gang Task Force, the MDPD Homicide Bureau's Violent Crime Task Force, Robbery Intervention Detail, and the Wolf Pack Task Force. These crime abatement measures all employ the use of multi-agency/multi-jurisdictional crime-fighting strategies, resources, equipment, and personnel.

Per Ordinance 14-65, this report will be placed on the next available Board of County Commissioners meeting.

If you require additional information, please contact MDPD Director Juan J. Perez, at (305) 471-3272.

c: Abigail Price-Williams, County Attorney  
Russell Benford, Deputy Mayor, Office of the Mayor  
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Christopher Agrippa, Clerk of the Board, Clerk of the Courts  
Neil R. Singh, Interim Commission Auditor  
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## Miami-Dade Police Department Mutual Aid Agreements

With:	Expiration Date:	
<b>Mutual Aid Agreements With Municipalities R-214-15:</b>		
Aventura, City of	January 1, 2025	
Bal Harbour, Village of	January 1, 2025	
Bay Harbor Islands, Town of	January 1, 2025	
Biscayne Park, Village of	January 1, 2025	
Coral Gables, City of	January 1, 2025	
Doral, City of	January 1, 2025	
El Portal, Village of	January 1, 2025	
Florida City, City of	January 1, 2025	
Golden Beach, Town of	January 1, 2025	
Hialeah, City of	January 1, 2025	
Hialeah Gardens, City of	January 1, 2025	
Homestead, City of	January 1, 2025	
Indian Creek, Village of	January 1, 2025	
Key Biscayne, Village of	January 1, 2025	
Medley, Town of	January 1, 2025	
Miami, City of	January 1, 2025	
Miami Beach, City of	January 1, 2025	
Miami Gardens, City of	January 1, 2025	
Miami Shores, Village of	January 1, 2025	
Miami Springs, City of	January 1, 2025	
North Bay Village, City of	January 1, 2025	
North Miami, City of	January 1, 2025	
North Miami Beach, City of	January 1, 2025	
Opa-Locka, City of	January 1, 2025	
Pinecrest, Village of	January 1, 2025	
South Miami, City of	January 1, 2025	
Sunny Isles Beach, City of	January 1, 2025	
Surfside, Town of	January 1, 2025	
Sweetwater, City of	January 1, 2025	
Virginia Gardens, Village of	January 1, 2025	
West Miami, City of	January 1, 2025	
Florida International University	January 1, 2025	
Miami-Dade Schools	January 1, 2025	
	Total: 33 Mutual Aid Agreements	33 returned, fully signed

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<b>Mutual Aid Agreements With Other Agencies for Other Purposes:</b>		
<b>Robbery Intervention Detail R-219-14</b> City of Miami Beach (First Agency Partner)	January 1, 2015 – pending Robbery Bureau to advise of renewal	Expired
City of Miami	January 1, 2025; Returned Signed January 2016	1
City of Miami Gardens	January 1, 2025; Returned Signed August 2016	1
<b>North End Street Violence Task Force</b> Resolution, <b>R-932-14</b> City of Miami (first agency Partner)	Effective January 22, 2015 and continues year to year	1
<b>Multi Agency Gang Task Force R-422-14</b> See MAGTF File for List of Agencies	Year to Year, 21 Agreements executed to date, 21 Signed/Filed	21
<b>Child Abduction Response Team with FDLE R-176-09</b>	December 31, 2016	1
<b>Florida Sheriff's Disaster Assistance Mutual Aid Agreement R-346-09</b>	April 1, 2017 Amendment 1, <b>Opt out</b> Director Patterson Amendment 2, <b>Opt in</b> , Director Perez	1
<b>Broward Workmen's Compensation Fraud Task Force Mutual Aid Agreement, R-398-15</b>	Five years through May 15, 2020, with 3 renewals R-398-15	1
<b>Burglary Apprehension Task Force, R-932-14, same as North End Street Violence</b>	headed by Palm Beach Sheriff with MDPD Intracoastal District	1
<b>Total Number Mutual Aid Agreements, ALL Categories</b>		<b>62</b>

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