

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-98

RESOLUTION BY THE FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LASER DRUG EQUIPMENT AND TRANSFER OF \$100,000 WITHIN THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT 2023 BUDGET

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the purchase of laser drug equipment is authorized and approved; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the transfer of funds as set forth in Exhibit "A," that is attached hereto, within the Opioid Settlement 2023 Budget is authorized and approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that any two of the County Clerk, the County Executive, and/or the Racine County Board Chairman are authorized to execute any contracts, agreements, amendments, or other documents, including, but not limited to the purchase of the equipment necessary to carry out the intent of the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

1st Reading \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2nd Reading \_\_\_\_\_

BOARD ACTION

Donald J. Trottier, Chairman

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

For \_\_\_\_\_

Against \_\_\_\_\_

Absent \_\_\_\_\_

Robert N. Miller, Vice-Chairman

VOTE REQUIRED: 2/3 M.E.

John A. Wisch, Secretary

Prepared by: Corporation Counsel

Scott Maier

Nick Demske

Jody Spencer

Jason Eckman

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_,

Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive

3 **INFORMATION ONLY**

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5 **WHEREAS**, Fentanyl and other illicit drugs have had a devastating impact on Racine  
6 County and southeastern Wisconsin, leading to an alarming increase in overdose deaths,  
7 hospitalizations, and a rise in drug-related crime; and

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9 **WHEREAS**, the opioid epidemic has affected individuals and families from all walks of  
10 life and has put a strain on public health and law enforcement resources; and

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12 **WHEREAS**, this request is to purchase three handheld narcotics analyzers to support  
13 our law enforcement personnel as they combat the scourge of synthetic fentanyl in our  
14 community; and

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16 **WHEREAS**, as these illicit drugs enter our county, the ability to quickly and accurately  
17 identify them has become increasingly important; and

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19 **WHEREAS**, these state-of-the-art devices allow for quick and non-invasive identification  
20 of drugs in the field; and

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22 **WHEREAS**, the device is portable, easy to use, and provides reliable and accurate  
23 results in seconds; and

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25 **WHEREAS**, with this technology, our deputies will be able to make informed decisions  
26 about how to safely and effectively handle potentially dangerous situations; and

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28 **WHEREAS**, the purchase of three handheld narcotics analyzers is an investment in the  
29 safety of our community and the health and safety of our residents and law enforcement  
30 personnel; and

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32 **WHEREAS**, this investment would position Racine County as an innovator and  
33 trailblazer as we would be the first in the state to provide this state-of-the-art technology to our  
34 law enforcement personnel; and

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36 **WHEREAS**, the approximate cost of this equipment and necessary software is  
37 \$100,000; and

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39 **WHEREAS**, it is recommended that we make an allocation from our opioid settlement  
40 funds to purchase these devices as soon as possible.

EXHIBIT "A"

Fiscal Year: **2023**

ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT NUMBER	CURRENT BUDGET	CURRENT BALANCE	TRANSFER	BUDGET AFTER TRANSFER	BALANCE AFTER TRANSFER
<b>OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUND</b>						
OPIOID SETTLEMENT EXPENSES	46310000.400000	1,515,781	1,515,781	(100,000)	1,415,781	1,415,781
	<b>TOTAL SOURCES</b>			<b>(100,000)</b>		
OPIOID SETTELMENT CAPITAL	46310000.470000.New Project	0	0	100,000	100,000	100,000
	<b>TOTAL USES</b>			<b>100,000</b>		
				<b>0</b>		

This authorizes the purchase of three laser drug devices to be used within the Sheriff's Office to help combat the opioid epidemic.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

After reviewing the Resolution/Ordinance and fiscal information supplied, your Finance Committee recommends FOR--AGAINST adoption.  
REASONS

FOR	AGAINST