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October 16, 2020

Norman Foster, Director  
Office of Management and Budget  
Broward County Governmental Center  
115 South Andrews Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

**Re: BSO WORKERS COMPENSATION FUNDS REQUEST**

Dear Mr. Foster:

The purpose of this Memorandum is to request additional funding for the Workers Compensation Budget. The request is for an additional \$2,000,000 for the purpose of settling claims. Please appropriate as follows.

**Department of Administration – Operating \$2,000,000**

Your favorable consideration in this matter will be most appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Colonel James Reyes  
Department of Administration

JR/DEP/jw

cc: Director John Greene, Risk Management  
Assistant Director Jeff Hessler, Risk Management  
Director Dafne E. Perez, Office of Management and Budget  
Director Heather Mitchell, Finance



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** October 13, 2020

**MEMO TO:** Dafne Perez, Director  
Office of Management & Budget

**FROM:** John Greene  
Risk Management Director

**SUBJECT:** Request for Additional Workers Compensation Funding

The purpose of this Memorandum is to request \$2,000,000 of additional funding for the Workers Compensation budget line item 524401 Workers Comp.

The COVID pandemic has resulted in a significant increase in the cost of providing Workers Compensation coverage due to additional medical costs and an increase in indemnity payments to those out of work due to COVID related illnesses. These additional costs are as follows:

1. \$2,548,336 in medical costs incurred to date for the treatment of COVID related illnesses.
2. \$1,382,929 increase in indemnity payments for FY 2020 (\$1,912,417) when compared to indemnity payments for FY 2019 (\$529,488).

This is an additional cost of \$3,931,265 for FY2020.

In order to provide BSO employees with proper care during this unprecedented time, we respectfully request \$2,000,000 of additional funding for FY 2021.

**CC:** Terrence Lynch, General Counsel  
Jeff Hessler, Risk Management, Assistant Director  
Kettly Calixte, Workers Compensation Manager