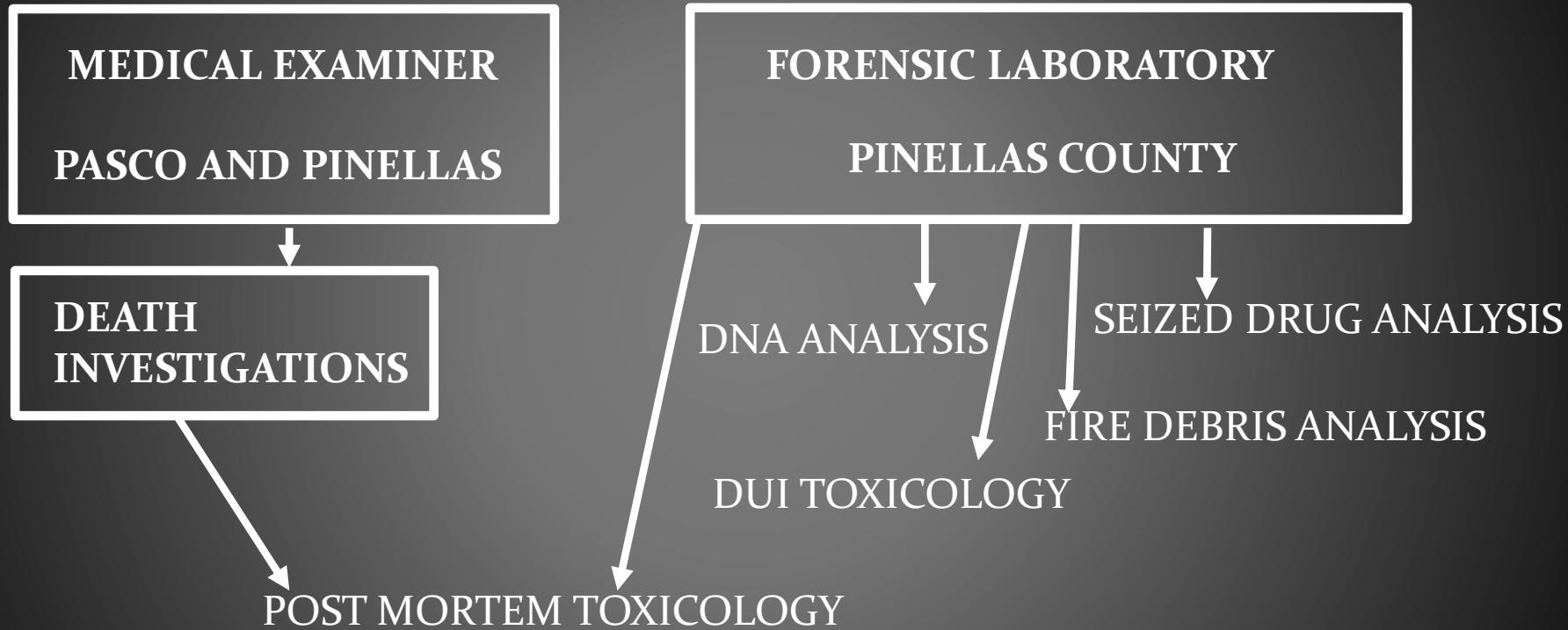


# Forensic Science Center

## FY 18-19 Budget



# Forensic Science Center



# Medical Examiner

- District Medical Examiner is appointed by the Governor
  - Contract with both Pasco and Pinellas
  - Pasco County is fee for service
  - Forensic Laboratory performs postmortem toxicology as required by FAC
  - Approaching 18 years of service



# MEDICAL EXAMINER

- Accredited by the National Assoc. of Medical Examiners
- All our Medical Examiners are board certified in Forensic Pathology
- Authority to perform the investigations under FSS Ch. 406
- Minimum standards of practice enforced by FAC 11G

# Forensic Laboratory

- All laboratory staff are required to be certified
- ASCLD-LAB accreditation required by contract
- Grant funding awards (past and present) have been extensive
- Over \$300,000 in grants awarded in FY18
- Synthetic Opioids and other novel drugs have increased workload



# Forensic Lab 2017 Workload

- DUI submissions up 2%
- Seized drug submissions up 20%
- DNA submissions up 25%
  - Laboratory supplies for FY17 exceeded the FY18 budgeted amount by \$72,000



# Medical Examiner 2017 Workload

- Synthetic Opioids continue to be prominent
- Medical Examiner workload increased by 4.2%
- Highest number of cases measured in CY17



# Budget and Financials

Perspectives and  
Comparisons

# Organization of M.E. Offices

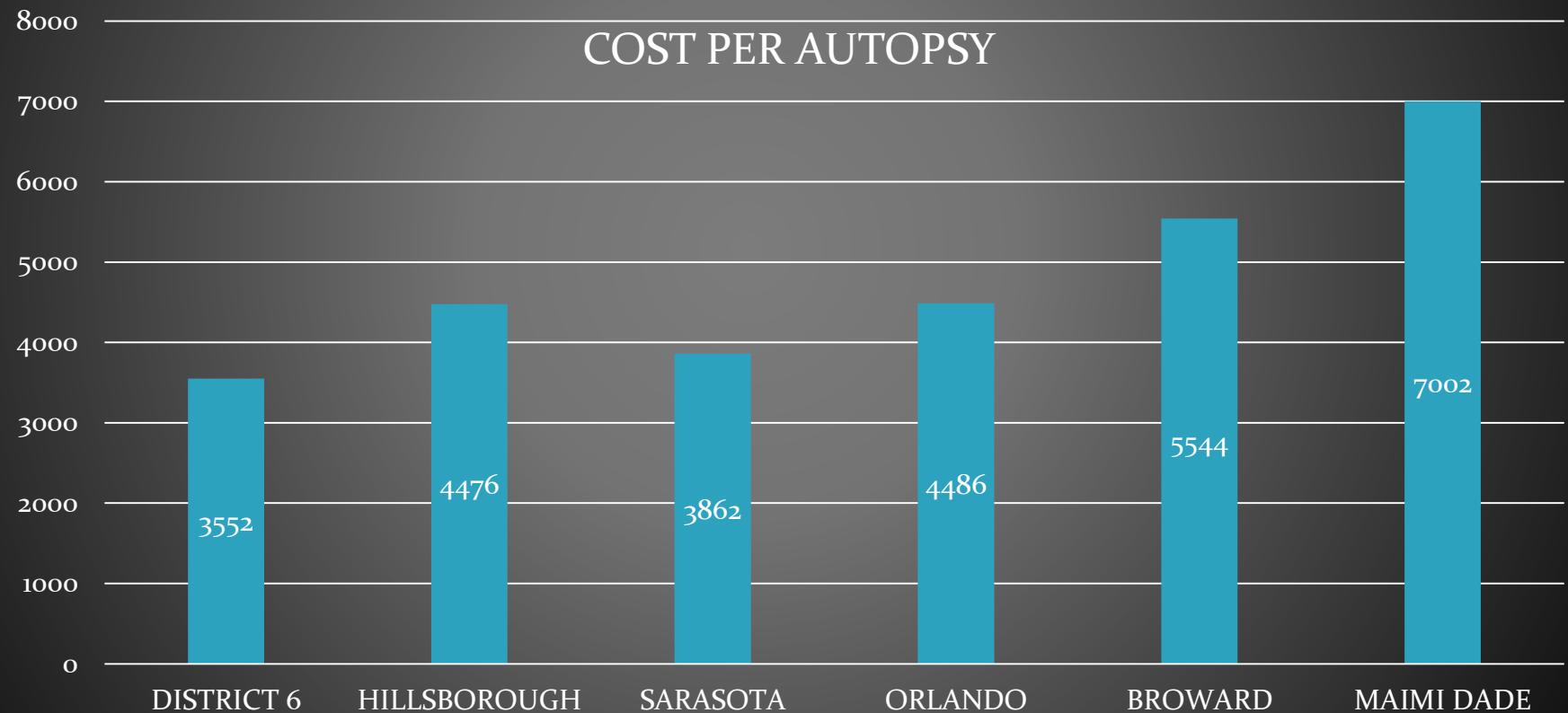
- Ch. 406 mandates only that the counties provide funding for the Medical Examiner
- Most counties choose a contractual relationship
- This arrangement is in alignment with Ch 406 and protects the taxpayers
- Our management model ensures a higher level of performance at lower cost

# M.E. \$/UNIT OF WORK

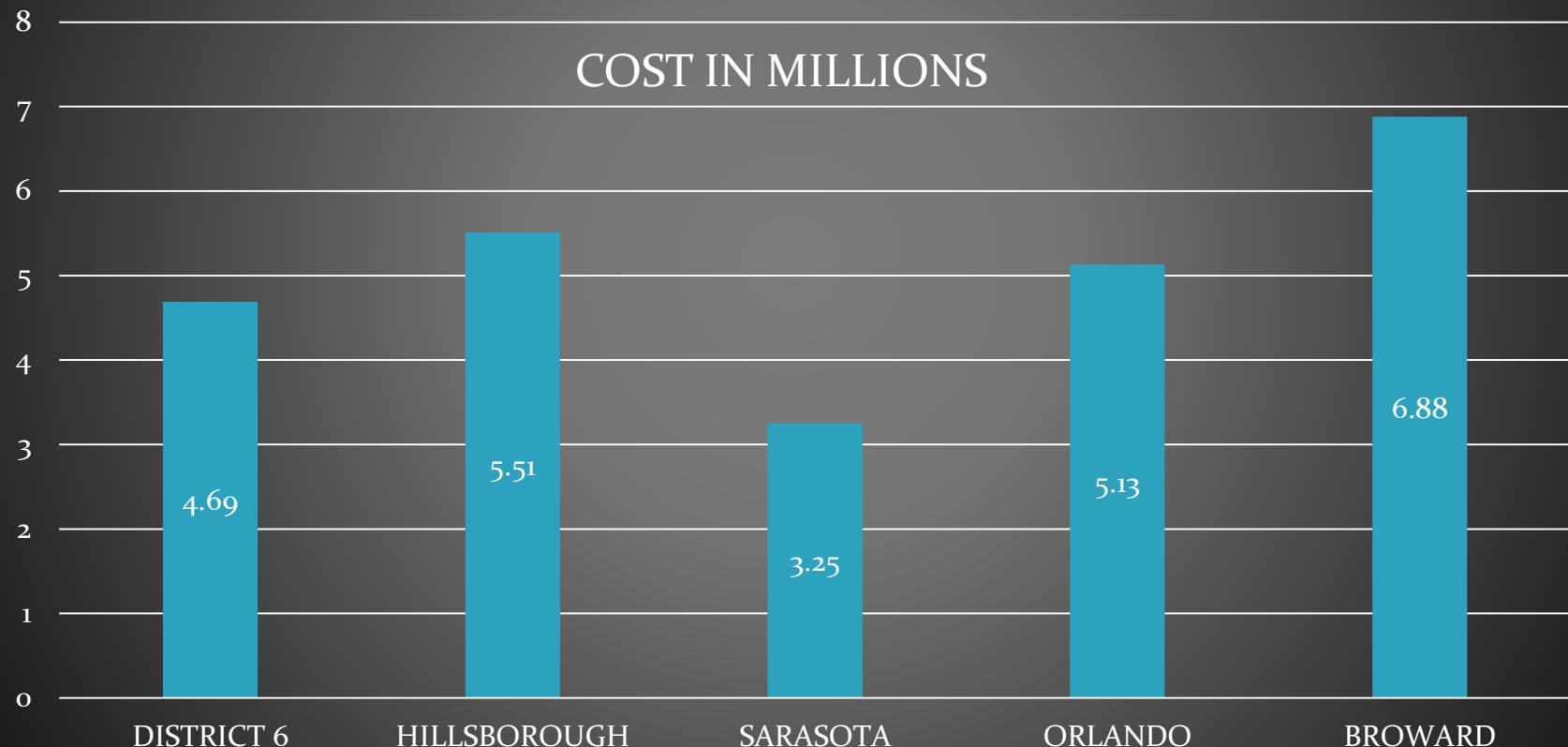
M.E. Office	Total cost (millions)	\$/AUTOPSY	\$/violent death
<b>DISTRICT 6</b>	<b>\$4.69</b>	<b>\$3552</b>	<b>\$2988</b>
DISTRICT 13 Hillsborough	<b>\$5.51</b>	<b>\$4476</b>	<b>\$4642</b>
DISTRICT 12 Sarasota	<b>\$3.25</b>	<b>\$3862</b>	<b>\$3670</b>
DISTRICT 17 Broward	<b>\$6.99</b>	<b>\$5544</b>	<b>\$3998</b>
DISTRICT 11 Miami-Dade	<b>\$13.65</b>	<b>\$7002</b>	<b>\$7498</b>
DISTRICT 9 Orlando	<b>\$5.13</b>	<b>\$4486</b>	<b>\$4911</b>

# Cost Comparison by District

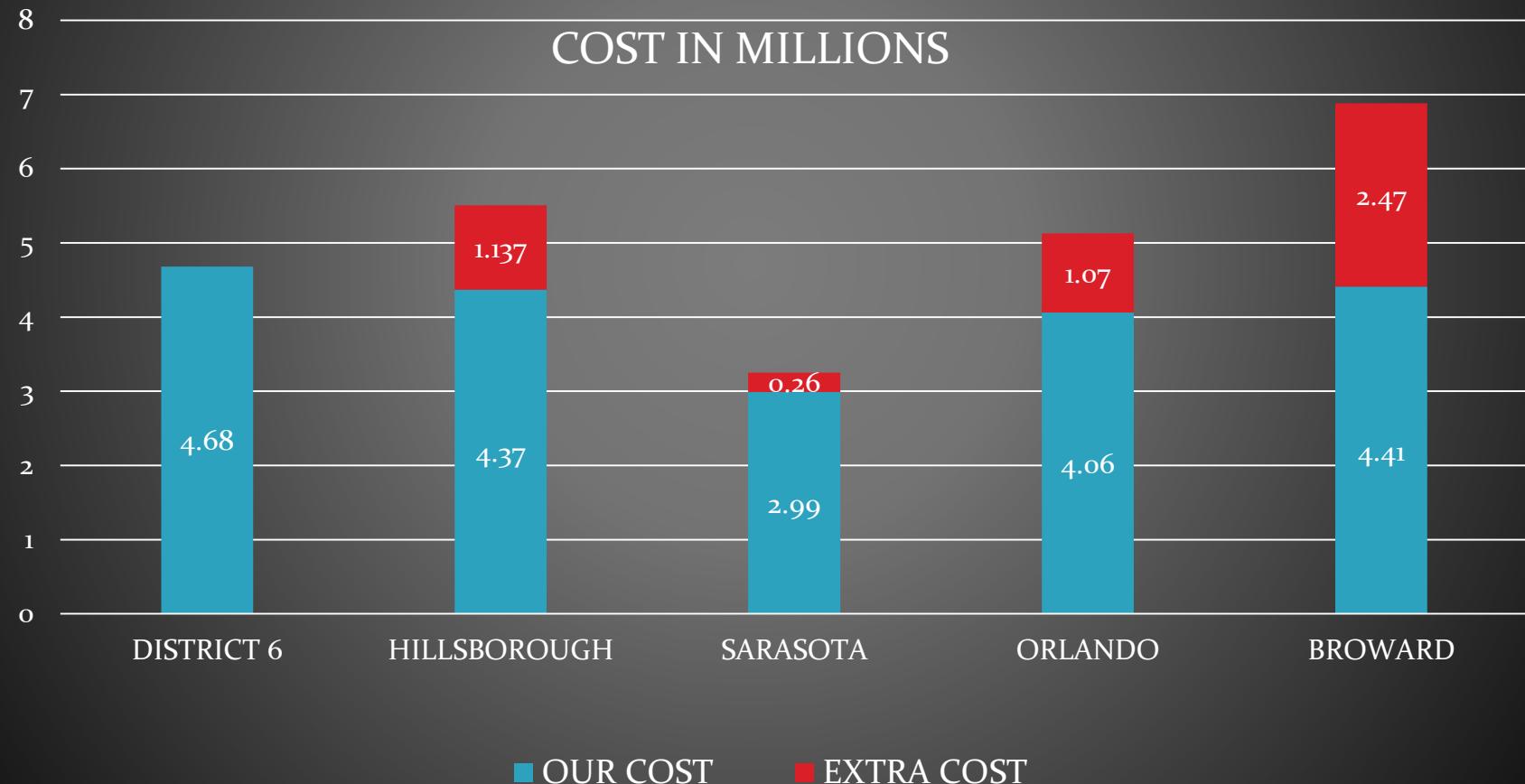
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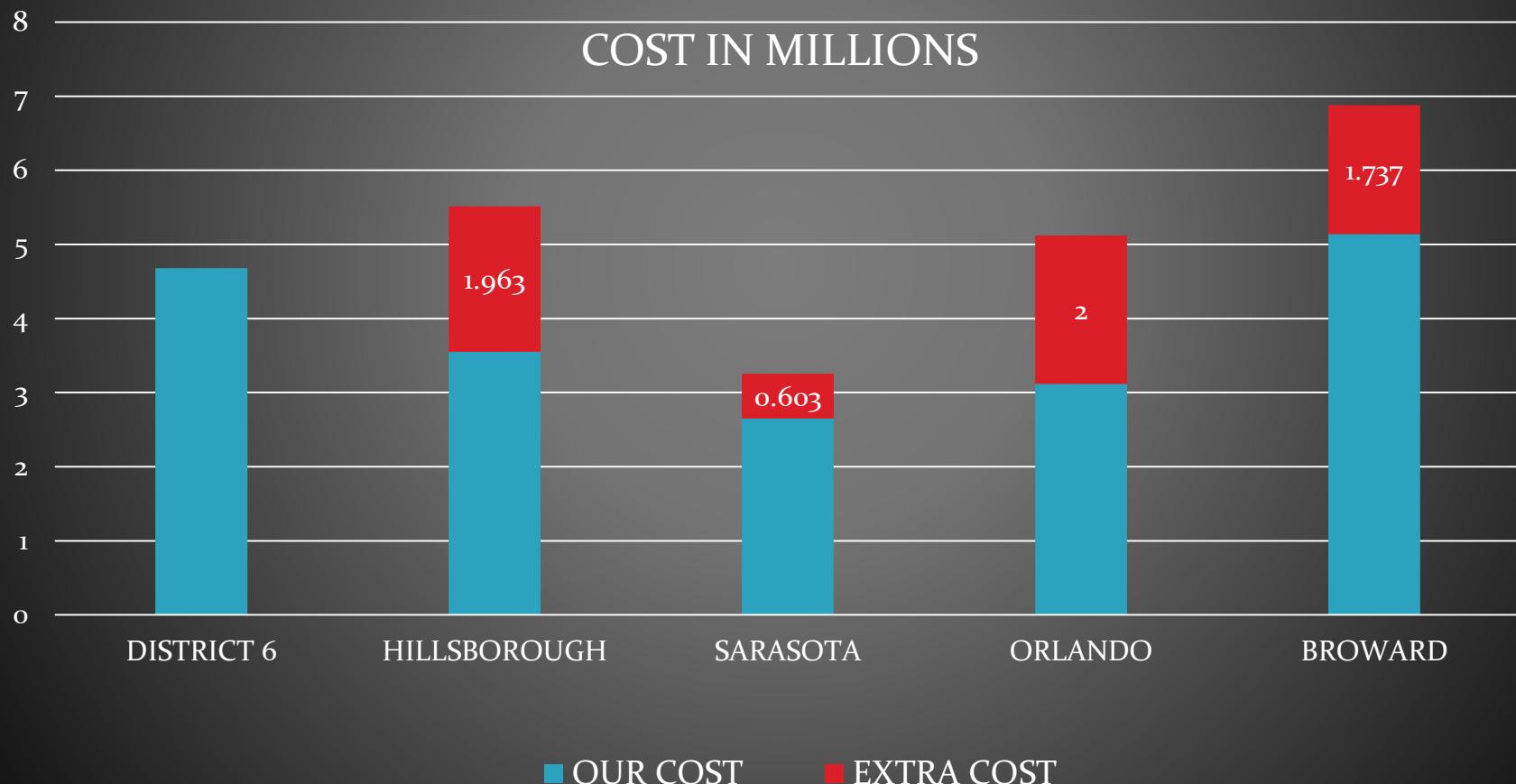
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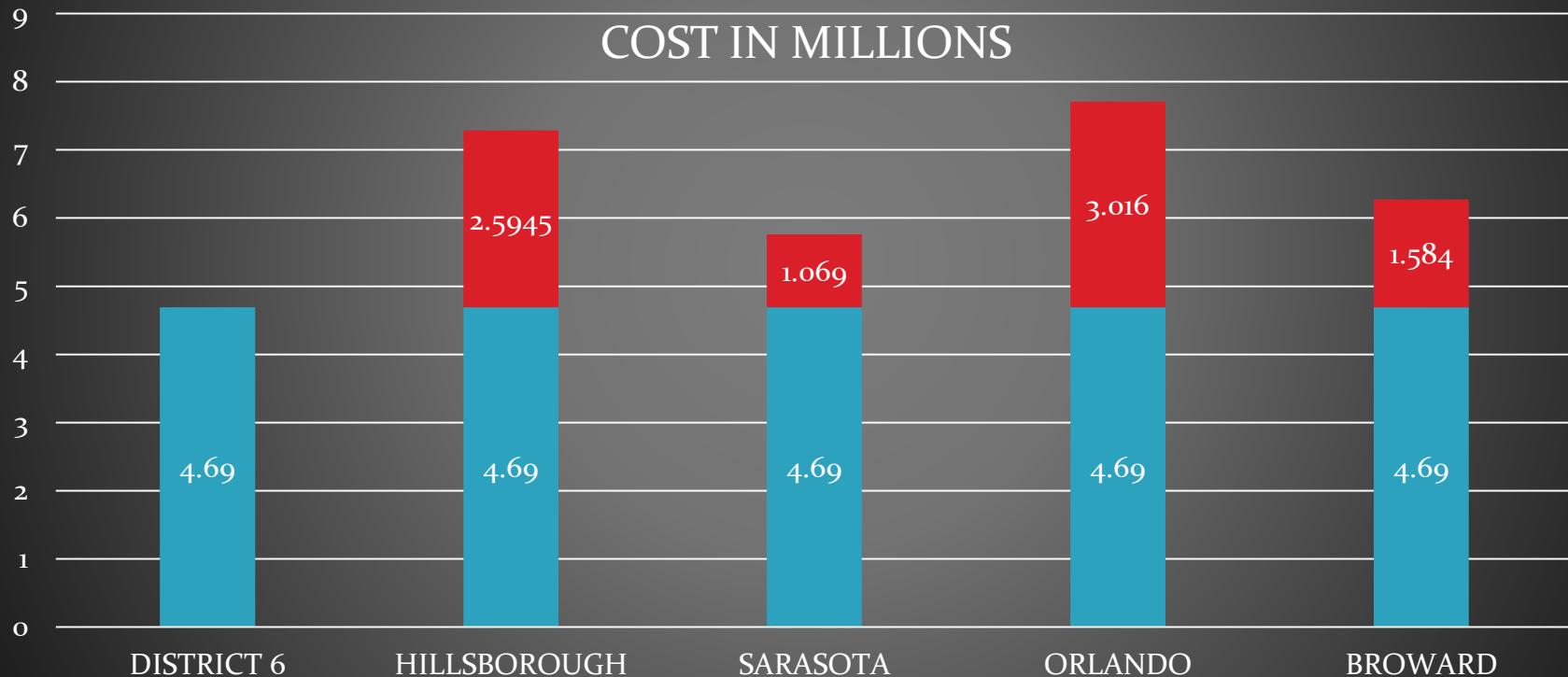
# Cost Comparison by District by Autopsy



# Cost Comparison by District by Violent Death

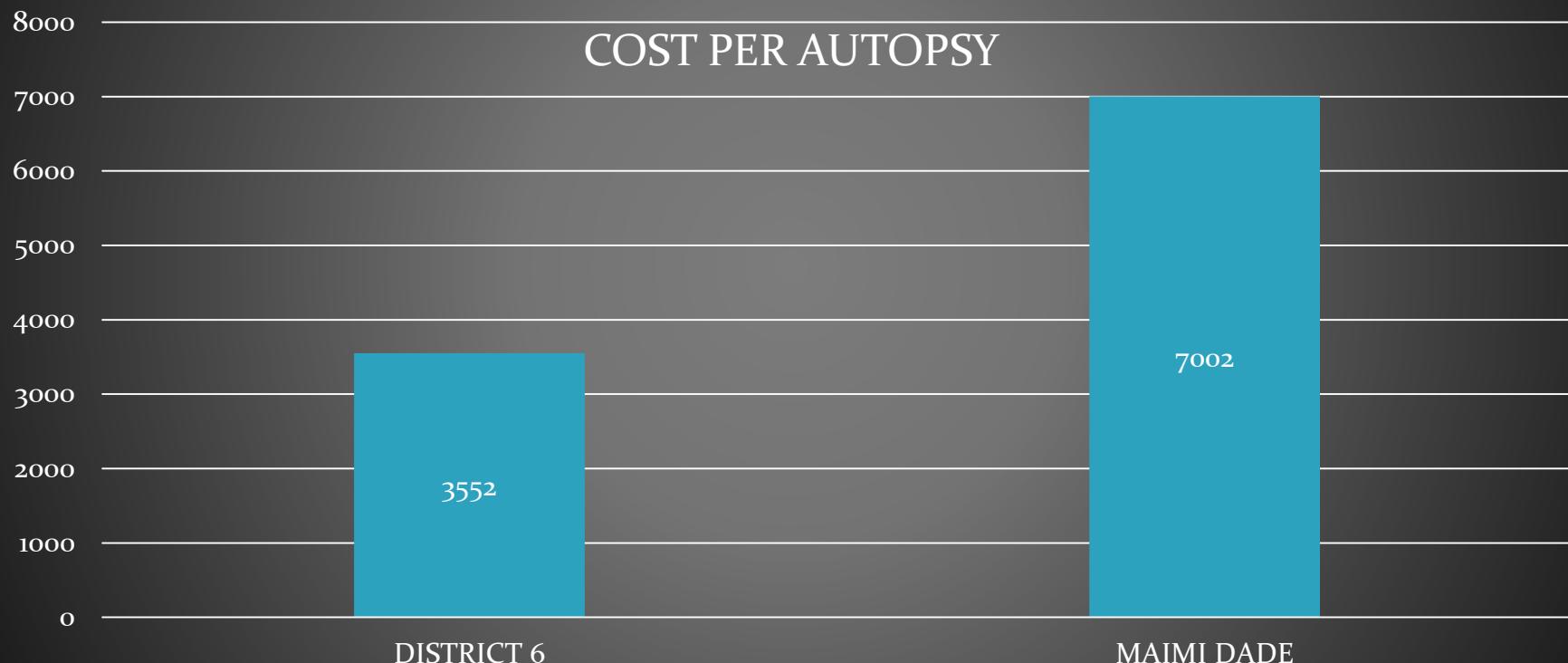


# Applied Outside Model to D6 by Violent Death

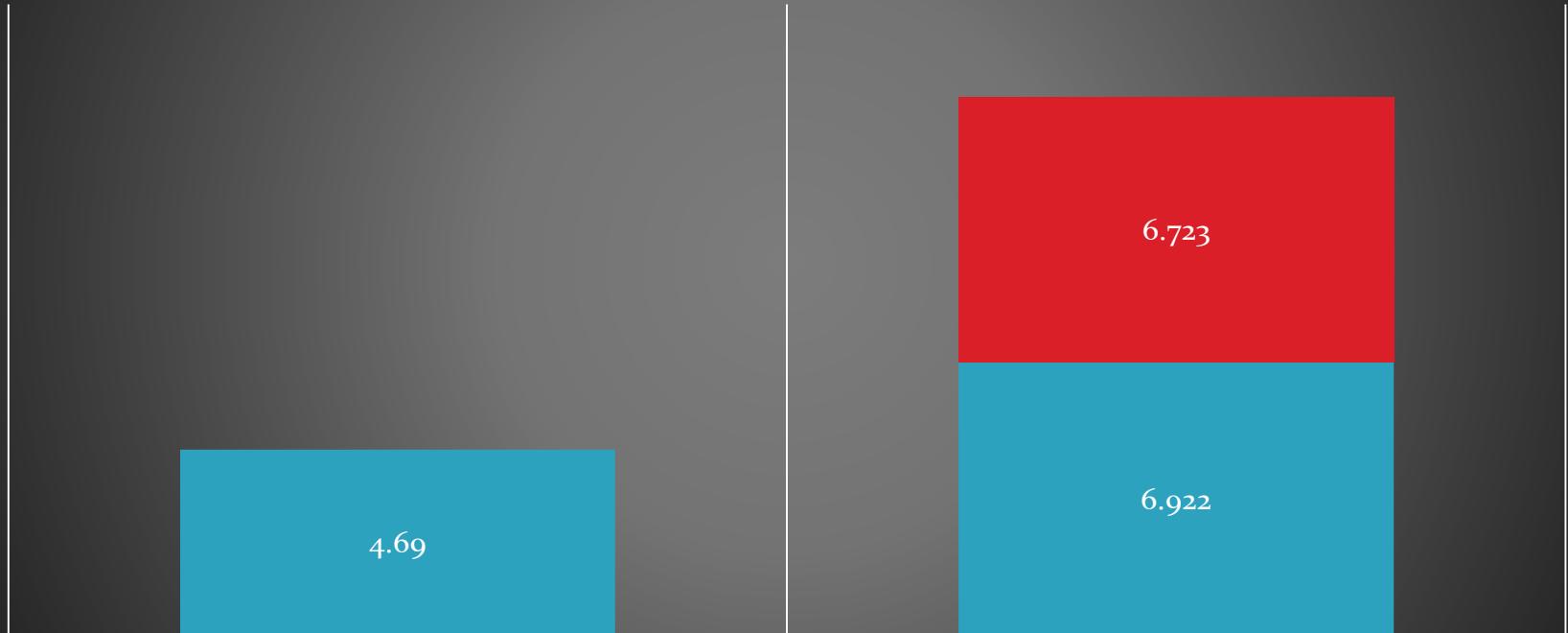


# Cost Comparison

## Total Budget



# Analysis by Autopsy

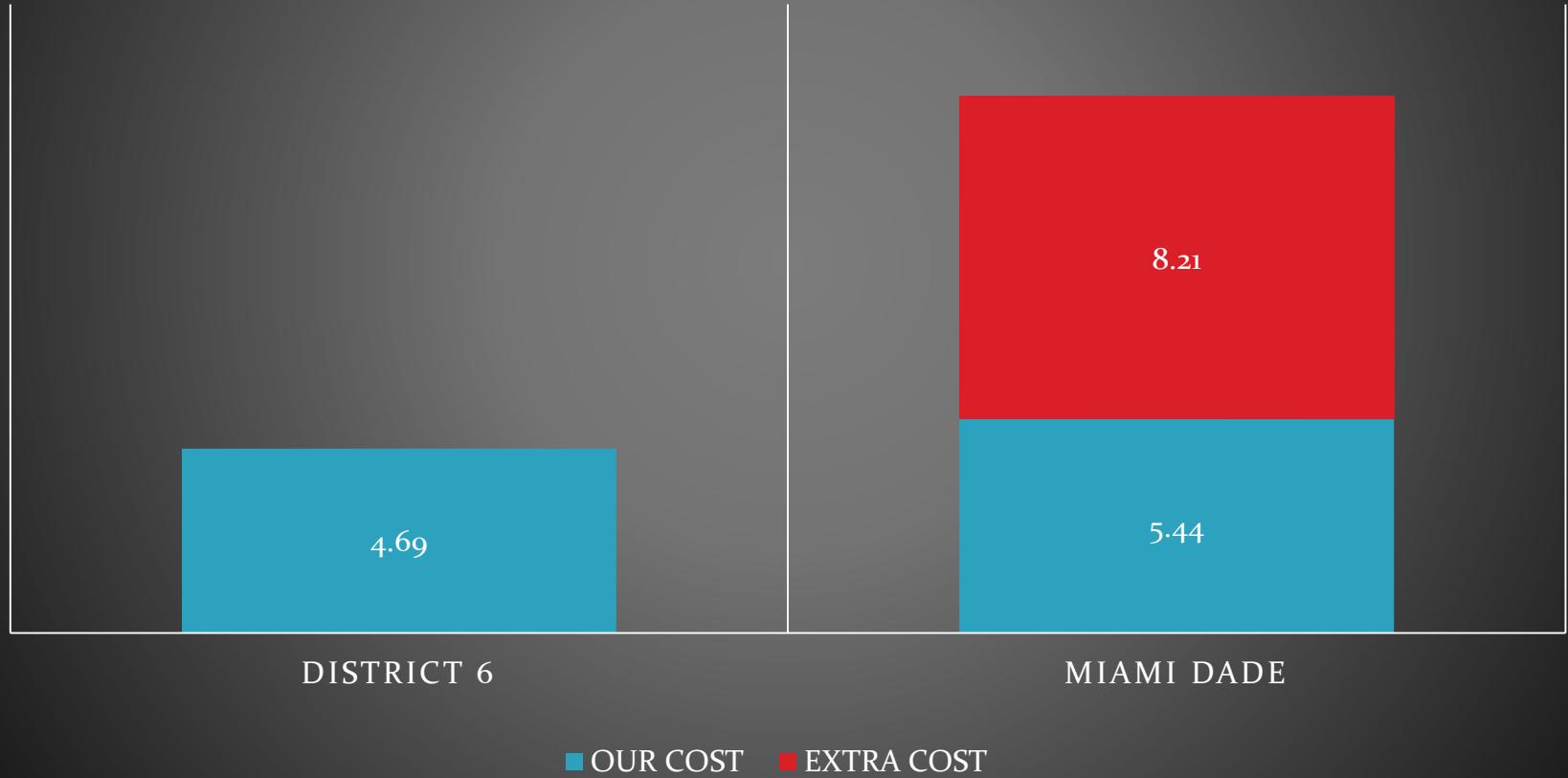


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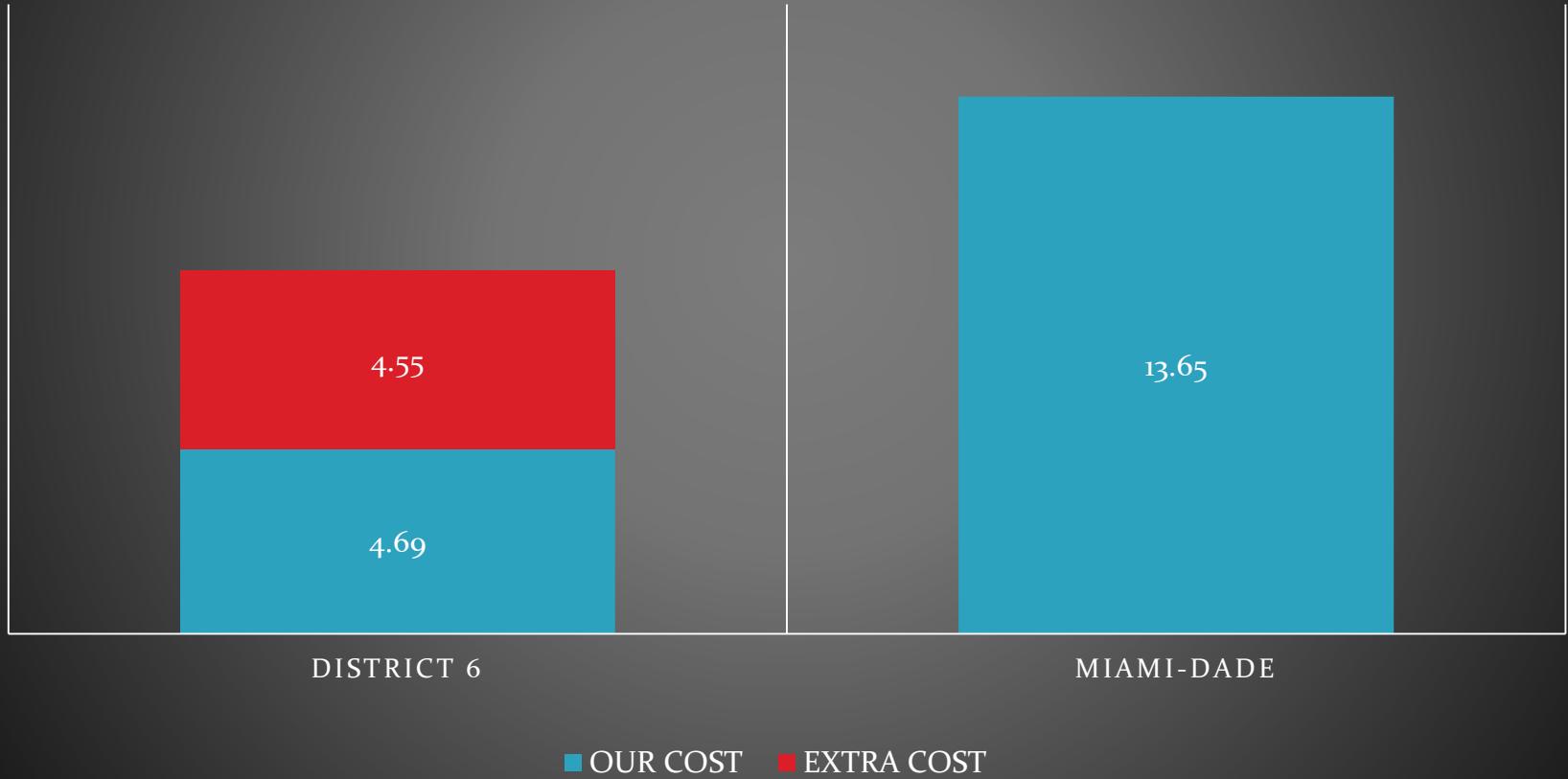
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# Analysis by Violent Death

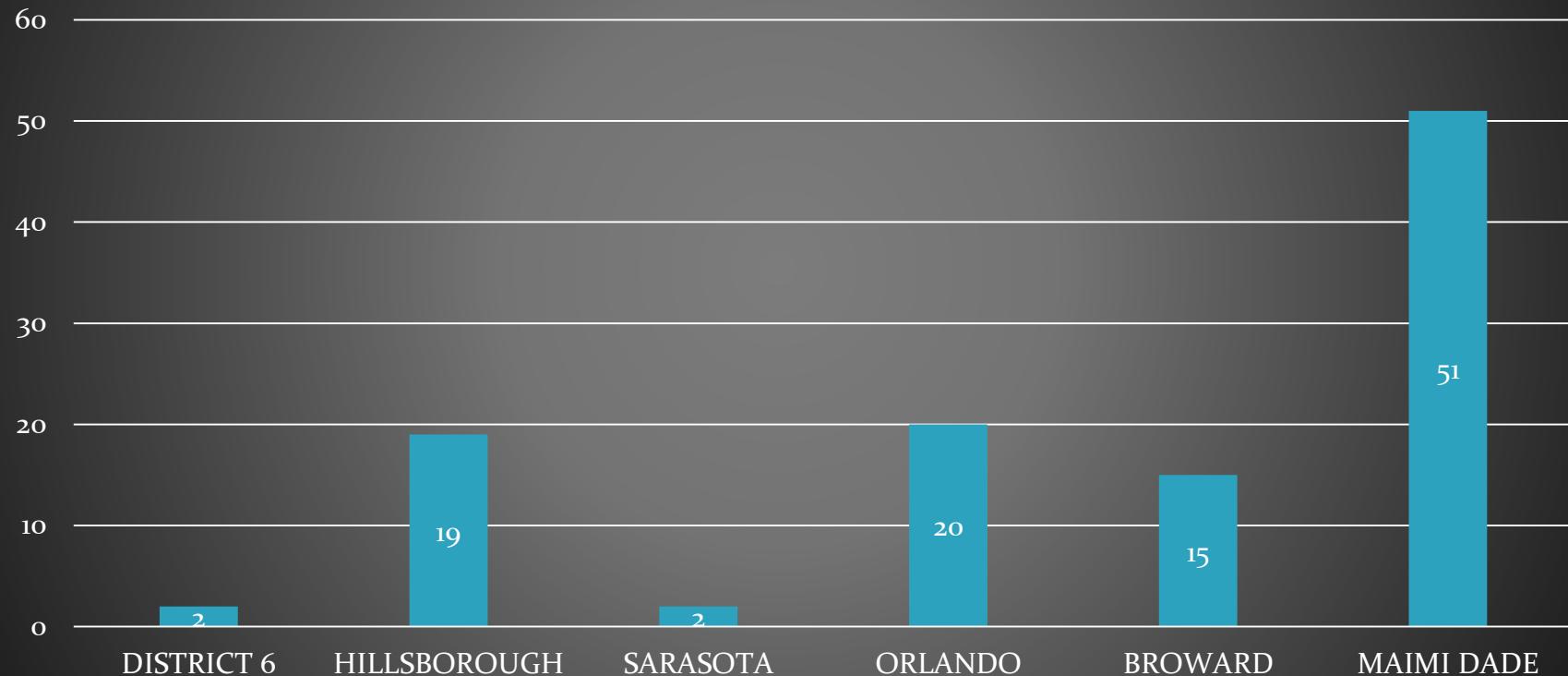


# Change D6 to Miami Model



# Unidentified Bodies

## (Dec 1 2000-present)



# Budget Issues for FY19

- Synthetic opioid crisis
- Medical Examiner workload highest to date
- PC replacement at ~\$35,000

- \$209,400 (3.3%) under target

