



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1993

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Warrior's Restoration's goal is to provide transitional, supportive, ADA compliant housing for female veterans and their families. We strive to assist veterans in finding a safe and affordable way to live in a positive and nurturing environment that understands what each other is facing. The money will be used to purchase land and build the structures needed accomplish this mission. The program will house up to 35 female veterans and 5 family members in this phase. We will utilize tiny homes for the single female veterans and a 3 bedroom house for the family housing. Our long-term plan is to double the tiny homes and eventually have 3 houses.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	2,500,000	74%
Matching Funds		
Federal	547,000	16%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	100,000	3%
Other	225,000	7%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	3,372,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

☐ Planning ☒ Design ☐ Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

8/14/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/30/2024

12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

Warrior's Restoration, Inc. will own the property and will be the ones managing the property. No person in or associated with Warrior's Restoration, Inc. will benefit from this project directly or indirectly. All board members and the executive director have signed conflict of interest statements. The organization has procurement procedures in place that would prevent a conflict of interest.

13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	None. Executive Director is volunteering his time as he is retired.	0
Other Salary and Benefits	None.	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	None.	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	All money granted in this request will be for the land acquisition and construction.	2,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,500,000

14. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?



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This project is developed to provide housing for chronically homeless and at-risk female veterans and potentially their families. In the State of Florida, there are less than 30 transitional housing beds dedicated to female veterans. We have been unable to find a single transitional house dedicated to single female veterans with families. The funding would more than double the availability of transitional housing beds dedicated to female veterans.

b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

The construction of this facility will enable the female veterans a supportive environment to learn essential job skills and personal finance. Through the US Department of Veterans Affairs, an on site case manager, and each other the veterans will get the emotional and mental health they need.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

Through our program, the veterans will be better equipped to provide for themselves. The citizens of Florida will get a better person back in housing and off the streets.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

Female veterans are who we are targeting. They are typically homeless due to financial issues, spousal abuse, drug addictions to name a few. We estimate that in 10 years that we will have helped 424 female veterans and up to 50 family members. That doesn't include the homes that will be built independent of this appropriations request. If we include those we are closer to 700 veterans and 100 family members.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

The expected benefit is we will have less veterans turning to the streets to live. This will be measured by Homeless Information Management System (HIMS) showing less veterans homeless in the Continuum of Care Point in Time counts. Each veteran will be logged into HIMS with the Big Bend Continuum of Care. It will allow us to have a record if they become homeless again.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

The requested funding is being utilized to construct residential properties for homeless and at risk female veterans and potentially their families. Warrior's Restoration, Inc. staff is used to meeting contract requirements of the federal and state governments. However, this funding request is strictly related to the cost of construction of residential transitional housing.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

☐ For Profit Entity

☒ Non Profit 501(c)(3)



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- ☐ Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- ☐ Local Entity
- ☐ University or College
- ☐ Other (please specify)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number