



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1086

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Here's Help, founded in 1969 and located in Opa Locka, is a residential substance abuse facility for adolescent males referred by DJJ and Drug Courts. It has provided services and education to thousands of otherwise incarcerated youth offenders. Request is for facility safety and reinforcement. Security upgrades, repair roofs in dorms, school and culinary building. Rebuild deteriorating shower stalls, bunks. Replace leaking windows, paint, walkway and covering, generator, kitchen equipment, and repair asphalt.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted?

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	455,855
Total State Funds Requested	455,855

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	455,855	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	455,855	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
 N/A

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

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

July 1, 2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

December 31, 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.

Here's Help is a 3.5-acre facility providing services to at-risk, low socioeconomic individuals and Medicaid recipients. It is a 501(C)3 Charity run by a board and is a member of the South Florida Behavioral Health managing entity and their predecessors since 1969.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		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	Security upgrades, repair roofs in dorms, school and culinary building. Rebuild deteriorating shower stalls, and bunks. Replace leaking windows, paint, walkway and covering, generator, kitchen equipment, and repair asphalt and concrete deterioration, fixtures and broken furniture. This is the best aggregate quote for all work required.	455,855
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		455,855

14. Program Performance

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



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The Project will replace and revitalize an aging infrastructure, update security, and make necessary repairs in dorm showers and leaking roofs, replace leaking and aging windows and equipment in the critical areas such as the kitchen, school and vocational programs on campus.

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

Continuing to help residents recover from substance abuse through completing high school education and continuing to transition to a preferred vocational training field such as Culinary certification, Plumbing pre-apprenticeships, Computer Tech, Computer Graphics, Photography, Arts, Broadcasting, etc.

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

Therapeutic substance abuse treatment as well as educational / vocational courses that enhance the individual's ability to become a confident, skilled, independent, and productive man.

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

Adolescents and young adult males. Thousands have completed the program successfully and we have a 82% success rate. We continue to assist all who are referred by the drug courts, DJJ, DCF and the criminal justice system. Our capacity for residential is 40.

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

That 70% of the persons served will positively complete the program and 90% enrolled in school at discharge. Successful completion is determined by a person served being 100% drug free and completed 75% of their treatment goals.

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?

Notification with opportunity to cure.

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)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College



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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