



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1061

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

As Rescue Outreach Mission of Central Florida's primary program, Central Florida Regional Emergency Homeless Shelter Project serves the underserved citizens of Florida. The goals are to provide stability, safety, and support for families and individuals experiencing homelessness while providing a path to permanent housing. We are the only emergency shelter in Seminole County, but our impact is regional, serving citizens from other counties, including Orange, Osceola, Lake, Brevard, and Volusia.

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	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

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)	500,000	33%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	1,000,000	67%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	1,500,000	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.

Rescue Outreach Mission actively seeks funding from Family and Corporate Foundations, as well as individual ongoing donations.

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.

Rescue Outreach Mission received \$2.85 million as part of the American Rescue Plan Act. These funds will expire in December 2024 and are being used for Project on this request.

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Executive Director (1 FTE) salary and benefits (50%).	50,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Director of Operations for the Project (1 FTE) salary and benefits (40%).	40,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Salaries and Benefits for Case Managers (4 FTE) and Shelter Specialists (2 FTE).	270,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Secure hardware and software for project (including upgraded servers and job training modules for citizens), Continuum of Care training for case managers, additional security, repair and maintenance for project environment.	116,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Human Resources Consultant (\$4,000) and Marketing Consulting Services (\$20,000).	24,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

14. Program Performance

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



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Homeless Services Network of Central Florida "Point-In-Time (PIT) Count Numbers" in January 2023 indicate year-over-year trend to increased homelessness in Central Florida. Central Florida is tied for the 2nd worst metropolitan area (compared to others Nationwide). This means there are only 18 units for every 100 households. As Rescue Outreach Mission of Central Florida's primary program, Central Florida Regional Emergency Homeless Shelter Project serves the underserved citizens of Florida. The goals are to provide stability, safety, and support for families and individuals experiencing homelessness while providing a path to permanent housing. We are the only emergency shelter in Seminole County, but our impact is regional, serving citizens from other counties, including Orange, Osceola, Lake, Brevard, and Volusia.

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

Case Management within 72 hours of guest arrival, procure food for each guest for three meals/day, staff facility for 24-hour operation, facilitate resource fairs each Tuesday, provide access to medical and occupational resources, budget and financial training. ROM is able to serve over 600 citizens a year with a budget of only \$1.2 million.

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

Citizens will receive three meals/day while at the shelter, a dedicated bed (or room for a family) in a safe and clean environment, computer and internet access for job and housing searches, showers, personal hygiene items, clothing, access to job resources/fairs, transportation to medical appointments as needed, medical evaluations, medical devices (walkers), access to medical providers/medicine.

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

The project will serve between 401-800 citizens annually. The target population includes individuals and families experiencing homelessness, including elderly persons, persons with poor mental and/or physical health, jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, homeless, developmentally and/or physically disabled, students (preschool through college or university), currently or formerly incarcerated persons and victims of crime.

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

The expected benefits are to improve physical and mental health, to increase or improve economic activity and to enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency. Target stay is 45 days or less. This is tracked internally and within the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) that is shared by the entire Continuum of Care within Central Florida, enabling us to monitor an individual's participation and journey. Target for case management services is within 72 hours of arrival and ongoing with weekly support for each citizen. Internal systems will track for timeliness and outliers. Individuals self sufficiency can be tracked internally and by utilizing the Homeless Management Information System, which can track an individuals return to homelessness over a period of time. In 2022 ROM was successfully able to assist 200 citizens find permanent housing.

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?

Return unused funds if unable to perform duties as presented.

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



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c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- 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