



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2649

1. **Title of Project:** Florida Alliance for Sports Medicine (FASMed)

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Bill Montford

3. **Date of Submission:** 03/01/2019

4. **Project/Program Description:**

This state-wide sports injury advocacy program for kids participating in sports programs throughout Florida. Program is run in conjunction with the Florida Orthopedic Society, JSMP and in collaboration with the FHSAA and physicians throughout the state to keep kids safe while playing organized sports. The organization was created in 2012 and has made significant efforts in enhancing safety in our Florida schools for the student-athlete. This program seeks funding to support state-wide advocacy, educational and data collection efforts on sports safety including Sudden Cardiac Arrest, Heat Stroke, Concussion, Lightning and Exertional Sickling in our state schools. Our great state of Florida has lost multiple kids to tragic death simply because they were playing sports for their local schools and our schools were ill-prepared for emergencies. Our organization strives to fill the gap between the recommendations of the FHSAA, sports safety Best Practices and our schools.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds :** Department of Education

State Agency Contacted? No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	325,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	325,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	325,000	95.59%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	15,000	4.41%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	340,000	100.0%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

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

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** Yes



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- a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. 100000

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Part-time CEO dedicated to the organization	25,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Payroll taxes and accounting	30,500
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	State representation at local, regional, state and national meetings	15,500
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits	Part time staff	45,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Operational supplies: Office, software, computer hardware, staff travel and mileage. Cost of educational programming.	209,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		325,000

11. Program Performance:

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

Prevention of sports related catastrophic injury through advocacy and educational efforts specific to Florida high school and middle school-aged children participating in sports and active activities. Ideally this program exists to eliminate death due to heat stroke, second impact syndrome, exertional sickling, sudden cardiac arrest and cervical spine injury associated with sports and physical activity. It promotes best practice models to our state-wide schools which, when adopted, drastically reduce the likelihood of these sad cases.

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

Minimally two state-wide collaborative conferences will be held appropriate for sports medicine providers, School Superintendents, School Principals, Coaches and Parents. These meetings will emphasize sports related safety policies as well as best practices for prevention of injury and appropriate care for those who have been injured. Social media campaign connecting coaches and student-athletes in regard to specific safety parameters needed for participation in sports. Investigation of strategies to implement a state-wide injury reporting and tracking system for more accurate data collection specifically in Florida schools. Speakers bureau for special events and topics. Educational videos for coaches and providers to incorporate as part of a coach education strategy in cooperation with the Florida Superintendents Association and the Florida High School Athletic Association.

- c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?



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Advocacy, educational and screening services to promote a "Safe Sports Florida" theme

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

Middle school and High school-aged student athletes are the direct beneficiaries of the programming. Over 800,000 student-athletes compete in Florida schools. Parents, coaches, administrators and sports medicine professionals are secondary beneficiaries taking the total expected served to over 2 million.

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

Eliminate death from sports injury and significantly reduce catastrophic injuries from sports. This program requires state financial support to investigate standardized reporting mechanisms that can be initiated to begin collecting accurate sports injury data from our schools. Once in place, this data will serve as a baseline for future educational events and projects to further reduce dangerous sports injuries.

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 in the contract?

None.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

No fixed capital funding is requested.

13. Requestor Contact Information:

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- b. Organization:** Florida Alliance for Sports Medicine
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- d. Phone Number:** (904)202-4332

14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. Organization:** Florida Alliance for Sports Medicine
- b. County:** Leon
- c. Organization Type:**
 - ☐ For Profit
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - ☐ Local Entity
 - ☐ University or College
 - ☒ Other (Please specify) Non-profit 501 (c) (6)
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15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. **Name:** None
- b. **Firm Name:** None
- c. **E-mail Address:**
- d. **Phone Number:**