



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2310

1. **Project Title** Miami Bridge - Host Homes for Homeless Youth2. **Senate Sponsor** Anitere Flores3. **Date of Request** 01/06/20204. **Project/Program Description**

The Host Homes for Homeless Youth is an intensive program that provides parent education and family reunification, helps manage problems, and works with students who are at risk or already experiencing homelessness. Miami Bridge would provide host homes as an intervention for youth who are currently experiencing homelessness for various reasons including family conflict, poverty, gender identification and sexual orientation. The goal of the host homes is to provide a safe, temporary welcoming space for up to 6 months. This would give the youth time and opportunity to repair their relationship with family members or explore other housing options with the support and guidance of caring staff. The Host Homes process is an intensive, individualized case management process for youth with serious or complex needs who are suffering from homelessness. This program conducts universal screenings of all youth and targets youth ages 16-21 with high needs.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** Department of Children and FamiliesState Agency contacted? ☒ Yes ☐ No6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	200,500
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	200,500

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	200500	80.0 %
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	50,000	20 %
Other	00	0 %
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021</b>	250,500	100 %

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

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2019-20		150,000	314A	Yes

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 200,500



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	1 Host Home Coordinator who seeks welcoming shelter for youth; 2 Case Managers who provide case management, independent living skills and family strengthening services for a total of 50 youth.	119,500
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	20 host stipends of \$600/mo for avg of 5 months. 20 youth welcome kits @ \$75 each. 20 transportation + home visits @ \$75/youth.	63,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	20 host training costs, evaluation, youth stipends and Miami Bridge travel costs.	18,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		200,500



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#### 11. Program Performance

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

In accordance with the mandate to end homelessness by 2020, funds will be used to seek permanency housing and services for the most vulnerable, difficult-to-place youth, ages 16 to 21. Youth who are waiting for permanent housing will receive mental health counseling, as needed, and services to prepare them for independent living, i.e.; case management, job readiness, academic advisement and placement, and wrap-around services.

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

Case Managers will provide services to youth in the areas of counseling, community support groups, case management and intensive in-home services and parenting sessions. Additionally, Needs Assessments and Service Plans are developed with the youth to assist them in meeting their educational, employment, housing and well-being needs.

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

Training will be provided to community members who volunteer to participate in housing the youth. On-going case management services, counseling, trouble shooting and oversight is provided to the youth and will be offered to the host family. There will be collaboration with partner organizations, the opportunity to attend community meetings and on-going support and consultation.

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

The target population includes 30 youth, ages 16-17 who have been, or are at serious risk of removal from their homes and require more intensive in-home services to prevent removal. It is the intent of this program to provide intensive case management and support for parents, relatives and non-relatives in order to prevent youth removal. In addition, we are serving 20 youth, ages 18-21 who are awaiting permanent housing. These youth are representative of the dependency system that have no permanent connections and may end up homeless upon exiting the system.

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

1. To obtain stable housing for the youth. 80% of youth exiting the program will transition to a family, friend or permanent home where they feel safe and satisfied about their housing situation.
2. Improve quality of education. 80% of youth participating in the program will demonstrate academic progress (pursue GED/HS Diploma/enroll in Vocational Program).
3. Job Opportunity. 85% of youth will participate in a job readiness program or obtain a part-time job during the program and continued employment 30 days post completion of program.

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?

Failure to meet performance measures may lead to corrective action up to, and including contract termination.



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12. 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.

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information

- a. First Name  Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number  Ext.

14. 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
  - ☒ Other (please specify)
- d. First Name  Last Name
- e. E-mail Address
- f. Phone Number

15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number  Ext.