



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2462

1. **Project Title** COACH Youth Empowerment Program (YEP)2. **Senate Sponsor** Tom Lee3. **Date of Request** 01/08/20204. **Project/Program Description**

The primary purpose of the COACH Youth Empowerment Program (YEP) is to prevent youth from re-offending, save tax payer dollars and produce program graduates that are taxpaying, proactive, law-abiding citizens. Without the help of the YEP services, these youths become more at risk to dropout of school, abuse drugs, and become homeless, welfare recipients and teen parents while engaging in criminal activity. YEP uses a holistic approach to encourage youth and their parents/surrogates to engage with teachers and administrators. The goal is to have 100 youth participate in the COACH YEP. The program curriculum will include programs and services such as Life Path, Pathway To Change, and COACH Detox and Intervention Programs.

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	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250000	100.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	00	0 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	250,000	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		

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

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 150,000



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10. 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 will oversee day-to-day operations by supervising staff hired to implement the YEP Program objectives.	40,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Assistant Director will assist the Executive Director with day-to-day operations and serve the YEP in the absence of the Executive Director.	105,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Travel related costs to special youth events. Purchase of computers to teach coding and basic skills. General office supplies necessary to maintain daily activities.	25,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Activities as incentives for parents, juveniles, and mentors such as Parent and Youth Date Night and a banquet for each 90-day session.	30,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Newsletter, program incentives, supplies and travel.	5,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Bookkeeper/Accountant to prepare tax related documents; audit of program and conduct pre- and post-test evaluations.	45,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		250,000



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11. Program Performance

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

Reduce recidivism, reduce the burden on the Florida residents by saving taxes for incarceration of juvenile, and hopefully create future law abiding, tax paying citizens. Tax payers pay \$55,000 per year to incarcerate a juvenile. An investment of \$ 2,500 per juvenile in the COACH YEP Program could save taxpayers up to \$52,500 per juvenile served.

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

Activities include, but are not limited to, the following: Parent/guardian and juvenile conference session / workshops. Parent/Guardian and juvenile field trips to sites that will provide education and experience to motivate the juvenile to stay focus on the goals of YEP. Computer Training Classes. Mock job interview workshops preferably with real establishments willing to become partners with the YEP Program. Classroom training to learn the Four Stages of Adulthood. Life Skills and Employability Classes. Workshops encouraging positive choices and positive thinking to build self-esteem.

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

Family and parenting counseling; counseling on how to overcome drug and alcohol addiction; peer-to-peer counseling on the importance of education and employment; job skills training; and career development skills training.

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

The project will serve 100 juveniles per year at risk of dropping out of school and engaging in activities that lead to drug addiction and incarceration. Program participants will include children with at least one parent incarcerated; students enrolled in a D- or F-rated school; youth enrolled in a Civil Citation Program or referred by a juvenile detention agency; students receiving free reduced lunch.

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

Juveniles participating in this program will gain knowledge of ways to avoid drug/alcohol addiction and criminal activity; training on ways and opportunities to become law abiding citizens; a reduction in school drop out and teen pregnancy rates; and training on ways to avoid repeat criminal activity or re-offending. The outcome can be measured by monitoring them to improve their academic progress; reduction of negative behavior; i.e., classroom disruption and suspensions; and a reduction in the school drop-out rate.

- 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?

A full and complete investigation to confirm the alleged violations of contract and/or program violations as well as an opportunity to correct any violations. Funds related to any confirmed violations shall be returned.



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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.