



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

- Title of Project:** Comprehensive Emergency Services Center (CESC) Homelessness Services and Residential Support
- Senate Sponsor:** Bill Montford
- Date of Submission:** 01/26/2018

4. Project/Program Description:

CESC, Inc. operates four cutting edge programs; the Kearney Center, Westgate, The Dwellings, and the CESC Dental Office. The Kearney Center is a state-of-art facility that provides comprehensive wraparound services in a one-stop model of care. Westgate and The Dwellings provides low-cost housing opportunity in rooming-house and tiny-house format, respectively.

5. State Agency Contacted? Yes

- If yes, which state agency? Department of Children and Families
- If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

6. Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
1,000,000		1,000,000

7. Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	1,000,000	50.0%
TOTAL	1,000,000	50.0 %

8. Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds): 2,000,000

9. Previous Year Funding Details:

- Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes
- In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional) 2
- What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2017-18
- Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No
- Complete the following Worksheet.



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FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			
	Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)	
Input Amounts:		500,000	500,000	

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

Yes

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

\$1,000,000

11. Program Performance:

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

These funds will support continued operations of CESC, Inc. and allow for limited expansion of direct services available to the 3,000+ clients served annually. CESC, Inc. is committed to providing long term stable housing to a vulnerable population. The expansion of our programs will assist in lessening the overall cost of homelessness in the Tallahassee community.

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

CESC, Inc. will provide medical clinic services to persons experiencing homelessness by staffing two Licensed Practical Nurses 7 days a week and purchasing and dispensing prescription medications and over the counter medications for treatable illness. CESC, Inc. will provide referrals to mental health services that are provided by both our staff, and representatives from partnering agencies. The clients served by CESC, inc. are very diverse. The opportunity for the Tallahassee/Leon community to interact with clients through volunteering at the Kearney Center serves to enrich the lives both the participants and the clients. The clients are offered the opportunity to participate in on-site GED classes offered in conjunction with Leon County School Board. Clients are also offered the opportunity to participate in vocational training through the Lively VoTech institution. Educational opportunities are also available for advanced education at FSU, TCC or FAMU.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		



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<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits	<p>CESC, Inc. provides direct services to area citizens by providing individualized case management and emergency shelter to nearly 400 each night and provides on-site nursing to clients with medical needs daily. CESC, Inc. provides approximately 900 meal daily. The staff that prepares and serves these meals does so in conjunction with over 700 community volunteers annually. CESC, Inc. offers off-site transitional housing and case management which assists our clients in obtaining self-sufficiency.</p>	485,380
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	<p>CESC, Inc. receives a great deal of in-kind contributions from area businesses and community members. However, supplemental purchases, including food, are required to meet the needs of the clients we serve. Additionally, CESC, inc. provides laundry services, hygiene products, medications, and other necessities.</p>	376,500



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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	The safety of the clients served by CESC, Inc. and the community members who volunteer their time is of great importance. For this reason, there is security on-site seven days a week and a security guard at the entrance of the Kearney Center searching belongings and operating our metal detector daily. The requested funds will ensure that our facility and program properties will continue to remain safe.	138,120
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		1,000,000

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

Each Program of CESC will be able to provide a variety of direct services. The Kearney Center provides emergency temporary emergency shelter (providing over 123,000 lodging nights in 2017), free nutritious meals (over 258,000 in 2017). The medical clinic serves Kearney Center residents (over 28,000 visits in 2017) and case managers are on-site to meet with residents (over 4,700 sessions in 2017). The Kearney Center hosts over 40 different community agencies on-site as well. Because of this, clients can attend GED classes at the Kearney Center Monday-Thursday, attend substance abuse and mental health counselling sessions, participate in group therapy and benefit from on-site art therapy. Westgate and The Dwellings offer low-barrier housing. Both programs offer case management focusing on financial management and budgeting, self-care and connecting people to resources in the community. The Dental Office serves people in the CESC residential programs. Its goal is to provide long-term care

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

CESC, Inc. served elderly persons, persons with poor mental health, persons with poor physical health, jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, individuals experiencing homelessness, developmentally disabled, physically disabled, drug users, university/college students, currently or formerly incarcerated persons, drug offenders, and victims of crime.



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

CESC can provide a monthly report of medications that were provided and the number of unique clients who received medical service on-site, provide a monthly report of the number of referrals that are made to partnering agencies, along with a report of clients who receive mental health services by CESC, Inc. staff, provide monthly report on the number of volunteers serving with CESC, Inc. CESC can Provide monthly reports on participation in GED, vocational training or advanced education, a monthly report on the number of recently incarcerated individuals served through the Kearney Center, the number of monthly bus passes issued, and a report of payroll expenditures to include the number of individuals placed in housing. CESC can provide a monthly report of the number of referrals that are made to partnering agencies, along with a report of clients who receive employment services by CESC, Inc. staff, provide a monthly report of the number of referrals that are made to partnering agency.

g. 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?

The penalties in the current year DCF contract with CESC work well. Corrective action plan development and eventual financial penalties are reasonable consequences.

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.

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information:

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- b. **Organization:** CESC, Inc.
- c. **Email:** Monique.Ellsworth@cesctlh.org
- d. **Phone Number:** (941)545-0812

14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** CESC, Inc.
- 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)
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15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

a. Name: None

b. Firm: None

c. Email:

d. Phone Number: