

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2034

- 1. Title of Project: HIV/AIDS Test and Treat Program
- 2. Senate Sponsor: Oscar Braynon
- 3. Date of Submission: 02/26/2019
- 4. Project/Program Description:

The HIV/AIDS Test and Treat Program (Test and Treat) provides rapid linkage to HIV medical treatment and supportive services. This rapid engagement allows for prescriptions to be dispensed to the client at the initial appointment in order to begin treatment immediately. This initiative was implemented as of May 2017 in order to address the HIV epidemic in Broward County - which has the second highest number of new HIV infections in the nation.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Health

State Agency Contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	2,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	2,000,000

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)	2,000,000	100.00%
Federal		0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)		0.00%
Local		0.00%
Other		0.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	2,000,000	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Am	ount	Specific	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	NonRecurring	Appropriation #	Vetoed

- 9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? Yes
 - a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. \$2,000,000
- 10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended



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Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and		
Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Anti-retroviral medications (emergency medications) and	2,000,000
	applicable costs for dispensing.	
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Re	novation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning		
Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must e	equal total from question #6)	2.000.000

11. Program Performance:

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

The funds will be used to provide HIV medications to Test and Treat clients who are either newly diagnosed or who were previously diagnosed and are not currently on medication.

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

Broward County is 2nd in the nation in new infections (20,661 total HIV+ in Broward, DOH 2017). Test and Treat prioritizes individuals that are newly diagnosed or who were previously diagnosed but are not currently on medication. Once identified, the client is rapidly (same day) linked to care with a medical provider who dispenses anti-retroviral drugs. These funds will pay for the medications that are prescribed to these clients. This model of early medication therapy leads to improved treatment adherence, retention and outcomes, and further result in suppressed viral loads. Viral load suppression renders the virus undetectable and nontransmissible which ultimately leads to a decrease in new infections.

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

Once a client is identified as either newly diagnosed with HIV or lost to care, they will be immediately linked to care with a medical provider who dispenses anti-retroviral drugs. These funds will pay for the medications that are prescribed to these clients.

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

Individuals who are either newly diagnosed with HIV or were previously diagnosed but have been out of care for six or more months. Expect to serve 912 clients.

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



The expected outcome is that rapid linkage and early medication will lead to improved treatment adherence, retention and outcomes and further result in suppressed viral loads which render the virus undetectable and intransmissible. The outcome will be measured through routine labwork.

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?

No penalties are recommended. The goal of the program is to link individuals to care and initiate anti-retroviral therapy so that they can achieve viral suppression.

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

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- b. County: Broward
- c. Organization Type:
 - O For Profit
 - O Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - O Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - ⊙ Local Entity
 - O University or College
 - O Other (Please specify)
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