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## **The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

LFIR # 1413

1.	Project Title	Filter Family Solutions				
2.	Senate Sponsor	Jeff Brandes				
3.	Date of Request	11/18/2019				
4.	Project/Program Description					
	Filter Family Solutions delivers an innovative combination of youth mentorship, parental involvement, evidence-based cognitive-behavioral curriculum, and adventure-based programming to address the major risk factors contributing to poor family functioning and juvenile					

State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Juvenile Justice 5.

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○ Yes ● No State Agency contacted?

#### Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 6.

Type of Funding	Amount	
Operations	101,140	
Fixed Capital Outlay	448,860	
Total State Funds Requested	550,000	

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)	550000	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	550,000	100 %	

Has this project previously received state funding? 8. ○ Yes No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year	Amo	Specific		
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	Vetoed

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? ⊖ Yes No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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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	The Executive Director will oversee all aspects of program delivery, data collection, and reporting.	50,000
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other	Office expenses Marketing expenses	6,550
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Accounting Services	5,000
<b>Operational Costs: Oth</b> Salary and Benefits	her	
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other	Helmet, eye protection, and riding gloves for youth participants and adult volunteers. Dirt bike maintenance and fuel.	5,750
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Two dirt bike instructors Licensed Mental Health Counselor	33,840
Fixed Capital Construc	tion/Major Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/ Land/Planning Engineering	Construction of a training facility	448,860
Total State Funds Re	equested (must equal total from question #6)	550,000



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### 11. Program Performance

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

Filter Family Solutions will develop a piece of property leased to the organization by Citrus County BOCC in order to deliver an innovative combination of youth mentorship, parental involvement, evidence-based cognitive-behavioral curriculum, and adventure-based programming to address the major risk factors contributing to poor family functioning and juvenile delinquency.

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

Youth and adults will learn to pay attention to their thinking, recognize the risk of their thoughts and feelings leading to trouble, and use new thinking to reduce their risk of committing law violations. For the remaining 13 weeks, we will take an evidence-based approach in delivering classes for youth and caregivers focusing on family enhancement, engagement, and cohesion.

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

Children and caregivers will complete a five-week cognitive restructuring course found in Thinking for a Change, a cognitivebehavioral program recognized as an "evidence-based practice" by the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice in their 2011 publication, A Sourcebook for Delinquency Interventions.

Youth participation and weekly goal completion will be motivated through the implementation of a nationally recognized adventurebased dirt biking program provided through Filter's partnership with American Honda Motor Corporation and the National Youth Project Using Minibikes (NYPUM).

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

At-risk youth, homeless, economically disadvantaged persons, drug users, grade school and high school students and currently or formerly incarcerated (DJJ) persons. The program is expected to serve 25-50 youth per year.

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

90% of participants will experience an improvement in the state of their mental health as well as academic performance. Also, it is expected that participants will have no law violations. Improvements to mental health will be measured through self-reporting, parental assessment, feedback from educators, and assessment by a Licensed Mental Health Counselor. Participants will earn weekly ride time on dirt bikes as their grades improve. Grades will be monitored weekly. Interaction with law enforcement will be monitored through parental reporting and electronically through the Department of Juvenile Justice Information System.

## 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?

Revocation of funds.



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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.

The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners has leased a piece of property to Filter Family Solutions, Inc. at \$1 per year for 99 years.

#### 13. Requestor Contact Information

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	O Non-Profit 501(c) (4)				
	<ul> <li>Local Entity</li> <li>University or College</li> </ul>				
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