



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1037

1. Project Title
2. Senate Sponsor
3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Founded in 2012, Northeast Florida Women Veterans, Inc. is focused on ensuring women who served on Active Duty, National Guard or Reserves and their children, transition into the civilian community with the tools and resources they need to become self-sufficient. "Women Veterans Ignited" is designed to administer "Operation HandUP," which provides supportive services to homeless and at-risk women veterans and their children. In addition, it provides proactive personal and professional development programs so that women who become self-sufficient, continue to thrive.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds
- State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	458,665
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	458,665

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	458,665	77%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	140,000	23%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	598,665	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21		389,450	577A	Yes

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?
- a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.
- b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.
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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

\$30,000 for Emergency Assistance to women veterans and their children
 \$88,261 for technology transition to offer programs virtually, wages, and rent.

11. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	CEO is responsible for overall function of the organization to include attend meetings relevant to programs and wellbeing of women veterans, also facilitate workshops, create annual budget, supervise management team, ensure organization is on track with . Salary \$70,000 FICA, FITC TAXES Workers Comp, Fringe Benefits \$6,500	76,500
Other Salary and Benefits	Office Manager will supervise staff, maintain time sheets, schedule building maintenance, attend meetings, prepare reports, and train office personnel. \$45,000 Admin Assistant will provide basic admin support, answer phones, schedule appointments, utilize office equipment, prepare correspondence, \$28,000 FICA, FITC TAXES, Workers Comp, Fringe Benefits \$6,000	79,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Office Supplies \$3,000, Rent \$22,500 Technology to update website \$700 Communications for telephone and Internet services \$6,445.00 Liability Insurance \$1098.30, Postage \$50 Advertisement \$1,000	30,965
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Bookkeeping Service	3,700
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Sr Case Manager will oversee all case management functions to include carrying half of the case management load. \$45,000 Programs Outreach Coordinator will provide administrative support to programs and recruitment outreach. \$30,000 Case Manager \$10,000 Program Coordinator \$5000 Full time Mental Health Counselor will provide individual counseling, group therapy, and crisis intervention. \$55,000 FICA, FITC TAXES, Workers Comp, Fringe Benefits. \$12,000	157,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Financial assistance to at-risk clients such emergency shelter, rent, utilities, daycare, and food. \$75,000 Conferences and travel to attend veteran related meetings & Training \$5,000 Supplies \$2500 Technology and Communications \$3500 Printing. \$2500 Liability Insurance is required because the organization work with clients \$2,500 Marketing \$5000	96,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Program Facilitators (instructors) teach program workshop. \$10,500	15,500
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		458,665

12. Program Performance



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

Funds allow us to provide emergency shelter for homeless women veterans and their children. We will also provide preventive services to keep veterans in their homes. We will increase participation in our HerTOTALWellness program which addresses mental health through psycho-educational workshops and activities, community engagement, and economic empowerment.

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

Operation HandUP supports all of our other programs because it assists our participants in completing the program requirements. It also helps walk-in, agency referred, and 211 calls clients in distress. Our three signature programs (HerTOTALWellness, HerBIZ, HerHEALTHYLIFE) provides personal and professional development. Our goal is to ensure barriers are minimized while participants are going through a program. Also, we provide case management to ensure veterans are able to get back on their feet and be self sufficient.

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

Mental health counseling, rent and utilities assistance, emergency shelter, transportation, food, and clothing help. In addition, our programs offer art therapy, yoga, and self care retreats.

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

Women veterans of all ages, to include those with poor mental and physical health, jobless, economically disadvantaged, homeless, physically disabled, victims of crimes, and formally incarcerated. We expect to assist 175 or more clients/participants

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

Improve mental health, enhance economic self-sufficiency, and improve housing stability. The outcome will show a decrease in homelessness among women veterans, increase participation in signature programs and decrease suicide among women veterans. This will be shown through data gathering.

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 the contract?

Inability to request state funding for proposed projects for the organization for a minimum of two years.

13. 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



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14. Requestor Contact Information

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

15. 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

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

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