



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1271

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

4. Project/Program Description

New construction for Community Aging and Retirement Services, Inc. d/b/a CARES One Stop Senior Center in the rural area of Dade City in Pasco County.

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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,250,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,250,000

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)	1,250,000	83%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	250,000	17%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	1,500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	0	750,000	406B	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.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

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



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	New Construction of a 6,000 sf "One Stop Senior Center" in the rural area of Dade City in East Pasco County.	1,250,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,250,000

12. Program Performance

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

CARES is proposing to build a 6,000 sf "One Stop Senior Center" in the rural areas of East Pasco County to include but not limited to Dade City, San Antonio, St. Leo, Trilby, Lacoche, Zephyrhills, etc. CARES anticipates to promote quality of life and independence for frail and vulnerable seniors and their families at this center.

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

A safe environment where the lives of senior citizens and their caregivers and families of East Pasco will be enriched by the existence of a "One Stop Senior Center" geared to assist these individuals with in-home and community care to remain living independently in their communities and prevent institutional/nursing home placement. As part of the activities CARES plans to offer at this facility are: social and recreational activities, fitness and exercises, education, health and wellness programs, art and cultural activities, early memory programs, mental stimulation and mental counseling among others. This center will also be the "stage" for community information and referral for all available services in Pasco County. The main purpose is to promote quality of life and independence for seniors and their families through health, social and supportive services. CARES works with health professionals, families, volunteers, donors and businesses who want elders to age positively.

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

Social and recreational services, wellness classes, educational and computer learning, physical and mental health, community and family fairs to decrease loneliness and isolation. Seniors will benefit from direct care at the Adult Day Care facility where they will enjoy a caring and stimulating environment that inspires positive feeling of dignity and confidence. In-Facility respite care will assist all participants with physical, medical or memory challenges that may diminish their independence. Caregivers and families will enjoy peace of mind, knowing that their loved one is receiving excellent care in a pleasant, safe and engaging atmosphere. Other direct services will include: supervision of seniors with memory impairments, medication monitoring by a registered nurse, free breakfast, lunch and snacks, health screenings, and access to resources. Health fairs, classes, information and referrals, mental health counseling, FREE Health Clinic for non-invasive medical care.

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



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The target population to be served will be 60 years of age and up and 18+ for those young adults with a diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease. CARES is currently serving 524 frail seniors who receive in-home and in-facility care services in the Dade City Area.

CARES anticipates adding another 200 participants on an annual basis to the different programs offered by CARES through State, Federal and Local funded programs.

According to the Florida Department of Elder Affairs there are 3,000+ frail and vulnerable seniors waiting for in-home and in-facility services in Pasco County.

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

Improve health and wellness of East Pasco citizens through programs and services, such as adult daycare, community/family affairs, mental and physical health. Improved behavior, mood and quality of life of participants and their caregiver/family.
Improved functional ability through therapeutic and meaningful activities.
Improved or stabilized medical conditions and cognitive functioning.
Increased socialization, dignity and self esteem. Decreased loneliness and isolation.
Increased access to services and information.
Planned nutrition to promote healthy living. Reduce crisis episodes at the emergency room by preventive monitoring and intervention. Decreased disabilities caused by inactivity and provide caregiver relief for time to work, or relax and peace of mind that their loved one is being safely cared for.

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?

Loss of State and Federal funding.

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.

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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