



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1616

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Veterans Assistance Center (VAC) project is intended to reduce the number of homeless Veterans living in St Lucie, Martin & Indian River Counties by providing a safe and secure environment in which they can receive comprehensive case management referrals, drug and alcohol addiction counseling, referral to mental health and medical treatment, Veteran Service Officer benefit services, and other assistance as needed by individual participants. Twelve to twenty-four month housing program.

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	875,000
Total State Funds Requested	875,000

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)	875,000	66%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	441,000	34%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	1,316,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

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?



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

Through a CARES Act sub-grantee agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management, St. Lucie County has available \$55,543,688 by way of a request for reimbursement process.

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	Funds to be used entirely for site infrastructure and development, impact and permit fees, planning & engineering, and construction.	875,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		875,000

12. Program Performance

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

To establish a much needed Homeless Veterans Assistance Center dedicated to providing wrap around services to our veteran homeless population located in the Treasure Coast region.

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

The Center will be providing comprehensive case management referrals, drug and alcohol addiction counseling, referral to mental health and medical treatment, Veteran Services Officer benefit services, as well as a twelve to twenty-four month housing program.

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

The Center will be providing comprehensive case management referrals, drug and alcohol addiction counseling, referral to mental health and medical treatment, Veteran Services Officer benefit services, as well as a twelve to twenty-four month housing program.

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

Homeless Veterans that have served in the Armed Services of the United States

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

To provide stable and safe housing environment to those individuals who are homeless and have served in the Armed Services of the United States, and counseling for mental health and dependency issues, medical services, case management, and assistance with VA benefit submittal.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties



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for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

Noncompliance with granting agencies would jeopardize the county's standing and the ability to leverage funds.

- 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.**

St. Lucie County Board of County Commission



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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