



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1824

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Funding for the Children's Advocacy Centers will improve and expand the consolidation of community, investigative, legal and social service programs necessary to deliver services to children who are victims of physical and/or sexual abuse, children who witness violent crime or domestic violence, child victims of trafficking, children who are victims of neglect or who are endangered due to drugs or alcohol abuse and their families or non offending caregivers.

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	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>500,000</b>

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)	500,000	10%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	222,000	4%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	4,448,240	84%
Local	0	0%
Other	114,000	2%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022</b>	<b>5,284,240</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	4,193,240	0	1317	No

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.

The Florida Network of Children's Advocacy Centers received a PPP Loan in the amount of \$66,000 that was used for salaries, benefits, rent and phone costs.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	sub-awards to 27 Child Advocacy Centers	500,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>500,000</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

The Children's Advocacy Centers (CACs) use a multidisciplinary approach to serve child victims that coordinates trauma informed services in a child centered environment. Funding for the CACs will improve and expand the consolidation of community investigative, legal and social service programs necessary to deliver services to children who are victims of physical and sexual abuse, children who witness violent crime or domestic violence and victims of trafficking, children who are victims of neglect or who are endangered due to drugs or alcohol and their families or non offending caregivers. During FY 2019-20, the CACs provided services to 20,156 unduplicated children.

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

The CACs coordinate and facilitate the Multidisciplinary Teams in their community which include but are not limited to law enforcement, prosecution, child protective services, medical, mental health and victim advocate services. The services provided by the CACs include trauma assessments, case management, forensic and specialized interviews, mental health therapy, medical exams and referrals to community agencies.

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

Services to child victims and their non offending caregivers include: therapy, medical exams, psychological evaluations, forensic and specialized interviews, case management, crisis intervention and referrals to community services. These services not only assist victims and their families directly but support the work of other agencies including law enforcement prosecution and other community agencies serving victims.

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

The target population are children who are victims of physical and sexual abuse, trafficking victims, witness to crime and drug endangered and who witness domestic violence. It is anticipated that the CACs will serve more than 20,000 unduplicated victims.



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

The child victims and their families will receive the necessary services, including crisis intervention, mental health treatment, case management, medical exams and referrals to community agencies. The CACs provide monthly financial invoices, data reports and are monitored - historically onsite monitoring, however, this year monitoring activities were virtual. The CACs also collect satisfaction surveys from families.

**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?**

The current standard penalties provided for in the existing contract are adequate.

**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