



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 2056

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Senior judges are a vital judicial resource and significantly improve the services that Florida's courts are able to provide citizens. Funds requested are provided for full-time senior judicial services within Citrus County.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	200,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	200,000

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)	200,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	200,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? No

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?

No

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	Funds requested to provide for full time senior judicial services within the Fifth Judicial Circuit	200,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		200,000

12. Program Performance

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

The continued public service of senior judges in Citrus County will enable parties to have better and speedier access to the Court, shorten trial calendars, reduce backlogs, and mitigates interruptions that are caused when judicial offices are vacant or when active judges are unable to serve because of illness or other reasons.

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

The balance of the senior judge days can be allocated for the following purposes: speedy trial rule problems; over-crowded/backlog in circuit criminal dockets/calendars; over-crowded/backlog in circuit civil, family, juvenile, probate, or county court dockets/calendars; long duration (more than one week) criminal or civil trials; unforeseen short or long-term (less than one week) illness or incapacity; planned medical absence; parental or other family leave; judicial vacancies; to participate in continuing judicial education activities (faculty or staff); or to participate in the statewide committees or councils, or work of the judicial conferences.

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

The Citrus County Courthouse provides programs and services related to civil case management, adult felony drug court, dependency drug court, mental health court, self-help services, and teen court

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

n/a

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

Florida's judicial system and the people of Florida benefit from the service of competent, experienced jurists.

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?



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If the Trial Court Budget Commission determines at the end of the third quarter of the fiscal year that a portion of these funds will not be needed in support of the provision of senior judicial services in that county for the remainder of the fiscal year, the commission may reallocate that portion of funds in support of such services in one or more other counties.

- 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) Government Entity

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