



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1248

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Casa Valentina addresses the abrupt transition from foster care to independent living, by filling in the gaps in external support. We provide safe & affordable housing, & intensive wrap-around services. We are looking to renovate our currently-existing affordable housing units for our youth. If awarded, these funds will help us uplift this vulnerable population—by ensuring that the housing they live in is comfortable, well maintained, and safe.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	150,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>150,000</b>

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	150,000	75%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	50,000	25%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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?

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
<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		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Funds are for the following: New windows in the duplexes and the building - \$80,000; Update sewer and plumbing (underground) \$70,000	150,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>150,000</b>

**12. Program Performance**

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

Casa Valentina addresses the abrupt transition from foster care to independent living, by filling in the gaps in external support. We provide safe and affordable housing, and intensive wrap-around services. We are looking to extend the life-skills based programming we currently offer. Staff will provide support services to youth ages 13 to 23 on the cusp of transitioning out of foster care and/or who are otherwise at risk.

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

The Casa Valentina campus is where our youth reside in a live-and-learn community where life skills programming is delivered. These funds will go toward the following renovations: plumbing and new windows.

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

Renovations/updates to already existing affordable housing units.

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

We are serving: Economically disadvantaged youth; at-risk youth; homeless; high school students; university/college students.

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

We know that youth must have their basic needs for safety and security met before they're able to fully realize their potential with higher order tasks. We seek to increase the motivation and morale of former foster care and homeless youth. We anticipate that youth will improve the quality of education; enhance their specific economic self-sufficiency; and improve in other key areas of general life skills in order to support them as they grow.

**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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Moneys will be deducted if deliverables are not met according to the agency's guidelines for compliance.

- 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.**

The facility is owned by Casa Valentina, Inc., a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization.



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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