



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1474

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

## 4. Project/Program Description

The UF Forensic Interview Center will be the center for forensic interviewing education in Florida. It will work with the Department of Health (DOH), to train Child Protection Team (CPT) forensic interviewers, to develop and help administer a credentialing test, to train forensic interviewing and to have periodic quality assurance reviews. Also, the Center also will work with FDLE, law enforcement agencies, and Child Advocacy Centers. The goal is to have a center of excellence that assures the most advanced techniques.

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	487,300
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>487,300</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)	487,300	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>487,300</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?



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

#### 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	The Specialist is responsible for developing, conducting, and assessing the statewide program. A national search will help select a person with experience interviewing, experience with teaching, and good managerial skills. The Specialist should be capable of working at the cutting edge of national research and developments in the field and be familiar with relevant national organizations.	150,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Assistant Educator - \$60,000 to help with training. Secretary - \$48,000 - to help with scheduling, training PI - \$15,000 - oversight.	123,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Travel, hotel training venues \$10,000 Related education/conferences, memberships \$5,000 Supplies (including computers) \$5,000 Office space \$15,000 Indirect cost \$44,300	79,300
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Consultants - \$75,000 State and national consultants will be used to help assure that cutting edge education is being provided, to review the program and make suggestions, and to participate in trainings (virtually if out of state). Such consultants will be of national stature. Credentialing agency - \$60,000 to help develop and administer certified testing.	135,000
<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		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>487,300</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

The UF Forensic Interview Center will be the center for forensic interviewing education in Florida. It will work with the Department of Health (DOH), to train CPT forensic interviewers, to develop and help administer a credentialing test, to train on forensic interviewing and to have periodic quality assurance review. The Center also will work with FDLE, law enforcement agencies, and Child Advocacy Centers. The goal is to have a center of excellence that assures the most advanced techniques.

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

Training of CPT forensic interviewers  
Training of other forensic interviewers (CACs, FDLE, and law enforcement)  
Helping to develop a certification test for forensic interviewers  
Research about the most advanced interviewing techniques and state of the art processes  
Teaching at state conference(s)

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



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N/A

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

Forensic interviewers - CPT and others. At least 100.

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

More advanced forensic interviewing will help to ensure the accuracy for children who have been abused and those who have not. This helps with psychological trauma, development of potential therapy and services, and prosecution.

**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?**

5% failure for failure to provide quarterly reports within 30 days.

**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