



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1649

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Covenant House (CHF) assists youth with histories including trauma, substance abuse, behavioral health concerns, medical, nutrition, health, and educational neglect. CHF's Workforce Readiness Program is a unique and specialized training program that will reduce barriers for disadvantaged youth by providing support and services to build self-sufficiency and empower its youth to transition from unemployed to employed successfully. The Workforce Readiness Program provides training and employment opportunities for at-risk youth through career path assessments, workshops, skills training, clinical groups, and life skills instruction. Additionally, youth are connected with employer partners for work-based learning experiences to gain the skills, knowledge, and confidence needed to secure employment that pays a living wage.

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	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250,000	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 2022-2023	250,000	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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Yes

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

We have received \$378,173.00 from Orange County CDBG-CV, CDBG-CV 2, Orange County ESG-CV and ESG-CV2, and Broward County EFSP Phase CARES.

\$378,173.00

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	Transportation, workshop supplies, incentives, printing/copying expenses, certification courses, job interview attire.	250,000
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)		250,000

12. Program Performance

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

The Covenant House (CHF) assists youth with histories including trauma, substance abuse, behavioral health concerns, medical, nutrition, health, and educational neglect. CHF's Workforce Readiness Program is a unique and specialized training program that will reduce barriers for disadvantaged youth by providing support and services to build self-sufficiency and empower its youth to transition from unemployed to employed successfully.

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

The Workforce Readiness Program provides training and employment opportunities for at-risk youth through career path assessments, workshops, skills training, clinical groups, and life skills instruction. Additionally, youth are connected with employer partners for work-based learning experiences to gain the skills, knowledge, and confidence needed to secure employment that pays a living wage.

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

Teenage youth experiencing homelessness need to develop life and soft skills, to achieve self-sufficiency for adulthood. This program provides work-based opportunities to ensure workforce success, stability and security through training and employment opportunities, career path assessments, workshops, skills training, clinical groups, and life skills instruction.

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

100+ at-risk teenage youth experiencing homelessness

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



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Through Covenant House's Workforce Readiness Program homeless youth will enter age-appropriate work-based learning opportunities (paid and unpaid positions), with local Employer Partners to help them transition to career opportunities or employment.

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 agency's standard contract penalties are sufficient.

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