



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1929

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Per existing proviso Specific Appropriation 721, these funds will provide a pre-release needs assessment, a plan-of-care, and referrals for incarcerated participants. Ready4Work-Hillsborough will primarily provide post-release services including assistance with transitional housing, case management, professional development and essential life skills training, family reunification/support, and job placement assistance.

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	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>500,000</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)	500,000	33%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	1,000,000	67%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>1,500,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22	1,000,000	500,000	721	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.

Ready4Work-Hillsborough continuously seeks funding to support, grow, and expand its services to people with past convictions. In lieu of state funding, no other funding sources have been identified at this time.

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.**

Yes. The entity received a second grant of \$167,163 in PPP funds through the Small Business Administration. These funds were used to retain personnel and to aid in on-going cash flow of program operations.

**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	Per existing proviso Specific Appropriation 721, these funds will provide a pre-release needs assessment, a plan-of-care, and referrals for incarcerated participants. Ready4Work-Hillsborough will primarily provide post-release services including assistance with transitional housing, case management, professional development and essential life skills training, family reunification/support, and job placement assistance.	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?**

R4W-H supports the State of Florida's strategies to reduce incarceration costs and to reduce Florida's prison population in order to sustain cost reductions. R4W-H's goal is to generate returns on investment not only by reducing recidivism but also by reducing crime and breaking cycles of hopelessness. R4W-H's approach through comprehensive reentry services and employment reduces crime, provides job and economic development, and helps to foster self-sufficient members of society.

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

Per existing proviso Specific Appropriation 721, these funds will provide a pre-release needs assessment, a plan-of-care, and referrals for incarcerated participants. Ready4Work-Hillsborough will primarily provide post-release services including assistance with transitional housing, case management, professional development and essential life skills training, family reunification/support, and job placement assistance. These non-recurring funds will also provide funding for basic computer literacy training which provides essential skills that are critical in today's society and workplace.

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

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



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Offenders under Department of Corrections' community supervision and formerly incarcerated inmates (no more than three (3) years post-release) returning to Hillsborough, Pinellas, Pasco, or Polk counties. We expect to serve 100-150 people.

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

- 1) Improve physical & mental health - Participants will attain public healthcare coverage or through their employer; and receive a mental health assessment.
- 2) Reduce Substance Abuse - Participant will receive a substance abuse assessment.
- 3) Protect the general public from harm, Divert from Criminal/Juvenile Justice System, & Reduce Recidivism- Formerly incarcerated citizens that are engaged, employed, and empowered are less likely to commit crimes and return to prison.
- 4) Increase & improve economic viability - Citizens returning to the community after incarceration will be employed.
- 5) Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency - Participants will receive essential life management, employability, and financial literacy training. Participants also receive employment placement assistance.

\*All outcomes are documented in the program's Efforts-to-Outcomes data system, tracked by the Case Manager, and reported to the Department of Corrections monthly and quart

**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 Department will impose financial consequences per participant for performance measures such as client services and client milestones not met per the contract. Additional financial consequences will be assessed as percentages of the fiscal year contract value based on timely invoice submissions and evaluation ratings specified per the contract.

**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.**

Not Applicable



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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