



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2226

1. Project Title Bay County, FL, Jail Facility 100 Bed Expansion for DCF Sanctioned Substance Abuse Program

2. Senate Sponsor George Gainer

3. Date of Request 01/11/2022

4. Project/Program Description

100 Bed Male Dormitory Expansion for the Lifeline In-Patient Substance Abuse Intervention Program. The expansion is intended to be a separate, stand-alone structure constructed in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations. Said construction will meet the requisites of Florida Model Jail Standards, Chapter 16, "Physical Plant", and the American Corrections Association's Core Jail Standards.

This construction will facilitate the Bay County Jail's substance abuse intervention program, Lifeline. The Lifeline Intervention Program consists of an intensive 120 day substance abuse rehabilitative course in which subjects undergo admission criteria assessments, intervention plan reviews (individual), peer engagements, and counselor driven programming to create a restorative condition which prepares these offenders for re-entry into the community.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Law Enforcement

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,500,000

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)	1,500,000	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	1,500,000	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.

n/a



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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

Yes

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

The Bay County Jail Facility has received \$550,000 dollars in Covid-19 Cares Act funding which provided body scanners with temporal monitors to aid with identifying potentially infectious subjects. Additionally, this funding facilitated a GPS Ankle Monitoring Program for those eligible for community release so as to minimize the jail population and adhere to CDC Covid-19 guidelines regarding prevention.

11. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Other Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The requested funds will be utilized for the following: architectural and engineering design costs associated with the construction, the procurement of materials, and erecting the structure for the expansion of the Bay County Jail to facilitate its substance abuse intervention program.	1,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,500,000

12. Program Performance

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

The expansion of the Bay County Jail will facilitate increasing the overall number of subjects that may be treated in the Lifeline Substance Abuse Intervention Program. The mission of this program is to reduce the severity and intensity of factors associated with the onset or progression of substance abuse.

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

The didactic / psychoeducational groups will be hosted by the intervention counselors to educate program participants in areas such as causative effects of substance abuse, anger management, coping skills, familial relationships, domestic violence prevention, self-esteem building, identifying criminal thinking, mental health, emotional responses, communication skills, critical thinking and problem-solving skills, accountability/responsibility, how to create a support system, personal care to include physical fitness and nutrition, vocational preparation (resume building and interviewing), goal setting, and relapse prevention. This is accomplished through general intervention which includes single sessions or multiple sessions of motivational discussion focused on increasing insight and awareness regarding substance use and inciting/motivating participants toward behavioral changes (reference Chapter 65D-30.012(1) Florida Administrative Code).

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



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Incarcerated participants will be subjected to an initial evaluation for eligibility with the 120 day intensive in-patient substance abuse intervention program ("Lifeline"). An intervention counselor will be assigned to facilitate a personalized/customized intervention plan. The participants will receive a workbook and relevant texts that outline the program goals. Subjects will be required to participate in single and group/peer engagements. Subjects will be given assignments surrounding the intervention to illicit engagement, personal discovery, and learning. Subjects are guided by their program counselors who facilitate the aforementioned programming. There is a graduation ceremony hosted for subjects that meet the criteria with a certificate which denotes accomplishment within the program. Qualifying individuals may be eligible for vocational assistance, out-patient rehabilitative services, and Department of Children and Families transitional out-patient care programs.

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

The expansion project will permit the Lifeline program to service up to 119 individuals or approximately 10 percent of the overall jail population. The Lifeline In-Patient Substance Abuse Intervention Program is designed for adult males and females meeting the DSM-5 criteria as evidenced by a DCF certified program director's initial evaluation to determine eligibility. Individuals may also be court ordered to participate in this programming. The requisites are designed for individuals who represent a restorative condition who are likely to benefit from this modality of intervention.

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

This expansion project will allow the Bay County Jail to meet the growing county population trend against the number of individuals afflicted with addiction that are in need of intervention. The primary purpose is to reduce recidivism among the prescribed population. Recidivism is tracked by program staff for two years at the county level. The overall goal for program counselors and participants is to instill behavioral changes that promote a lifelong system of living free from substance abuse. The Department of Children and Families (DCF) sanctions the Lifeline program and conducts annual program audits and counselor certification reviews to ensure that this substance abuse program meets the regulations established for substance abuse therapy/treatment in accordance with Chapter 397, Florida State Statutes, and Chapter 65D-30, Florida Administrative Code.

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?

With regards to expansion construction, all federal, state and local laws shall be observed for bidding, contracting, construction, building inspections, implementation and will fall within the purview of the county manager of the County of Bay County, FL. Said construction will have to meet the requisites cited within the Florida Model Jail Standards and ACA Core Jail Standards.

With regards to the Lifeline Substance Abuse Intervention Program, standard audits are used to determine compliance. Failure to meet DCF standards may result in fines from \$400.00 up to \$20,000.00, imposed DCF sanctions, de-certification of counselor staff, program directors, and/or volunteers, and termination of the licensure.

The Bay County Jail Lifeline Substance Abuse Intervention Program maintains perfect compliance with DCF standards in accordance with Chapter 65D-30, Florida Administrative Code.

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 Bay County Jail Facility is located at 5700 Star Lane, Panam City, FL 32404. This property is owned by the County of Bay County, Florida. Through an inter-agency agreement, the Bay County Sheriff's Office Judicial Services staffs and operates the jail facility. This facility was provided by the tax payers of the County of Bay County, FL.



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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