



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2546

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The funds will be utilized for a Citrus County Central Receiving System which will provide a 20-bed Baker Act Receiving facility to provide inpatient psychiatric services and a centrally located behavioral health Access/Emergency Services unit. Currently there are no means for citizens to get these essential public safety and quality healthcare services within the county. As the number of individuals needing services increases, it is critical for the county to provide this essential service.

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	1,500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
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	75%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	500,000	25%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	2,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22	0	1,500,000	367	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.

The payment for provisions of Baker Act inpatient services is a State responsibility required by F.S. 394. There is no other 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.

\$1,008,768. in FY 2021-2022 - expenses related to prevent, prepare and respond to the Pandemic including the creation of a COVID-19 Isolation unit, equipment, supplies, additional personnel costs, and lost revenues for our licensed free-standing psychiatric hospital unit.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Pro-rated salaries and benefits including health insurance, payroll taxes, pension, w/compensation insurance and re-employment insurance.	4,750
Other Salary and Benefits	Pro-rated Admin salaries and benefits including health insurance, payroll taxes, pension, w/compensation insurance, and re-employment insurance.	83,650
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Pro-rated Admin Bldg. Occup., Admin Insurance, Admin Licenses & Taxes, and other Admin Operating supplies	41,690
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Pro-rated Audit, Legal, and other Professional services and fees.	5,910
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Pro-rated Direct Program salaries plus fringe benefits including health insurance, payroll taxes, pension, w/compensation insurance and re-employment insurance.	1,003,512
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Pro-rated Direct Program Building occupancy, food services, medical and pharmacy related expenses, insurance, linens, consumables, and other operating supplies.	324,898
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Pro-rated direct program interpreting services and electronic health record & other information technology support services.	35,590
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
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 goal is to provide efficient and effective behavioral health services in Citrus County. The Access Center and emergency services unit will serve as a centralized system for referring agencies and consumers in crisis to easily access services provided by LifeStream within the county. This will avoid more costly treatment options or over utilization of the emergency rooms and jails to treat mental health and substance abuse issues. This intake and referral system will prioritize access to services based on the individual's needs and help to develop a collaborative process to ensure that individuals receive the timely services they need in order to promote quality, cost-effective outcomes. In addition, LifeStream will provide Baker Act receiving services, crisis stabilization unit services (inpatient psychiatric stabilization), residential services and an assessment facility to assess individuals to determine the most appropriate level of care.

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

The funding will be utilized for a Citrus County Central Receiving System, which will provide a 20-bed Baker Act Receiving Facility to provide inpatient psychiatric stabilization services and a centrally located behavioral health Access/Emergency Services unit. Due to an increase in individuals requiring psychiatric stabilization services in Citrus County and no means to provide the appropriate services within the county, the ability to provide this essential public safety service is critical. An estimated 61.7% of adults in Citrus County with mental illness do not receive appropriate treatment. The suicide rate in Citrus County is one of the highest in Florida and the overdose rate from drug abuse is higher than many metropolitan areas. Critical services are not provided within the county. As the number of individuals needing services has dramatically increased, the need for the aforementioned services in Citrus County is essential to avoid further crisis within the county.



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

The following services will be provided: centralized assessment and evaluation, inpatient and residential services, and psychiatric evaluation, medical history and physical to identify any medical issues that may be contributing towards the psychiatric crisis, medication management for psychiatric and medical issues, psychosocial, educational and occupational therapy groups, medication education groups, brief and intensive stabilization services, nursing assessments, family, group, and individual therapy as needed, discharge planning and referrals, appointments for follow up services and care management post discharge to ensure that individuals attend aftercare services, thus reducing recidivism. After individuals are discharged, they receive outpatient medication management, primary care services, individual, family and/or group therapy, residential treatment, case management and other needed services.

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

The project will serve individuals who are experiencing a behavioral health (substance abuse and/or mental health) crisis or issue and are in need of an intervention in order to stabilize their situation. This project will provide an assessment and evaluation process in Citrus County resulting in a more cost effective and service effective system. It is expected that this project will serve approximately 800 individuals in Citrus County.

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

The expected benefit is to assure individuals who are experiencing a crisis due to their mental health and/or substance abuse issues can receive timely services. As a result of not having these services, readily available individuals utilize costly and ineffective services such as emergency rooms and jail/prison to address their crisis status. This project will allow law enforcement to spend more time protecting the community, divert individuals from more costly services such as the jail and emergency rooms and result in cost savings. The general public will benefit due to increased public safety and timely access to appropriate services. Outcomes will be tracked, analyzed and reported as appropriate. This includes: output data, number of admissions, number of consumers served, utilization rate, days of service provided, recidivism, cost per episode of care, successful completion, diversion from State Hospital or more expensive modalities, and individual improvement of functioning.

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?

If there is an area in which LifeStream is deficient, it is suggested that a corrective action plan be implemented and monitored to ensure that the deficient area(s) is/are corrected in a timely fashion. If LifeStream is not meeting the deliverables or the expected performance outlined in the contract, the State has the option to cancel the contract for these services.

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