



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2558

1. Project Title Family Trauma Training for Youth in Both Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare

2. Senate Sponsor Tom Wright

3. Date of Request 01/24/2022

4. Project/Program Description

Currently, there is lack of family trauma training for counselors to effectively treat the entire family that is traumatized, not just the child. This program seeks to also actively involve parents in the juvenile's treatment. Public safety is at severe risk when a juvenile returns home to the same unchanged family. In addition, there is no family trauma training for both children and teenagers who are considered "crossover youth" or in both the child welfare and juvenile justice systems at the same time. To address this problem, a nationally recognized evidence-based Family Systems Trauma (FST) Model will be used to train and supervise counselors at Brevard Family Partnership to serve both juveniles and those juveniles who are crossover youth. This is a demonstration project with measurable outcomes that include increased parent involvement, changes in PTSD (post traumatic stress disorder) and lower recidivism.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Juvenile Justice

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

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

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 300,000

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

A portion of the model to be billed to Medicaid (up to 40%)



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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.**

Stimulus Funding Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) received in April 2020 amount of \$721,300. Funding adhered to strict guidelines for payroll expenses to avoid staff hour reductions, staff wage rate reductions, staff furloughs, and position reductions. All expenditures were subsequently reviewed and audited, and loan obligation was 100% forgiven as expenditures met intended criteria for use.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Executive Director (.10% of salary and benefits) \$13,498 Director of Operations (.15% of salary and benefits) \$12,942 Program Manager (.25% of salary and benefits) \$20,560	47,000
Other Salary and Benefits	FICA, FUI, PEO, Health Care Costs, Medical, Dental, Workman's Comp, Payroll Taxes	26,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Other expenses, Accounting/Fiscal, Public Relations/Marketing, Membership Fees, Legal, Occupancy, Insurance, Utilities, Facility Management, Accreditation, Insurance, Operations and Equipment Leases and Rentals, Grant Management Activities, Record Keeping, Auditing-other indirect costs	56,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Step 1 FST Advanced Training Online Course-Weekly office hours with FST Consultant, as a personal family trauma coach, 12 FST techniques using 20-minute video training and real case examples. Resource worksheets, A copy of the book: Treating the Traumatized Child, CE credits immediately upon completion of each technique Step 2: FST Certification Continued FST Training and Meet with FST Consultant for 2x per month via Zoom. Attrition Training, Family Workbooks, Annual Report	55,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	2 Brevard Family Partnership Masters Level Counselors - Full Time \$97,000 (\$48,500 each) 1 Case Manager- Full time \$39,000 1 Youth Advocate/Peer Support Specialist \$32,000	168,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	4 Personal Computers, Shared Printer, Office Equipment and Supplies, Cell Phone, Travel Expenses, Computerized Dashboard, Background Screening, Employment Advertising, other Staff Related Expenses,	46,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Other direct contracted Non-Medicaid funded services to support family holistically (ex.psychiatric, med management, substance abuse treatment) Funding Diversion and Civil Citation to prevent deeper system involvement, Flexible Funding for family stabilization-Funds used flexibly for triaging when families (juvenile justice and child welfare involved) are experiencing an acute crisis while they are being connected with the appropriate resources in emergency situations on a one -time basis only (102,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	N/A	0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

12. Program Performance



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

- 1- The first ever family trauma training for the entire family, not just the individual
- 2- A targeted motivational approach to increase parent engagement and completion by 70% or more
- 3- Crossover Youth- Work with both juveniles and those juveniles in both child welfare and juvenile justice

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

- 1- 14 week online Family Systems Trauma Course
- 2- 2x per month ongoing supervision
- 3- Collecting ongoing data through a computerized dashboard

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

- 1- Family Systems Trauma Individual and Family Therapy in the Home or Office depending on the particular youth
- 2- Case management services that include

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

The FST Model (family systems trauma) is developed for a target population of children, adolescents, and their families in the juvenile justice system and or crossover youth in both child welfare and juvenile justice between the ages of 9 and 18 exhibiting SED (severely emotionally disturbed) and/or oppositional or conduct behavior disorders. PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder) may or may not be a secondary diagnosis

Each of the two Brevard counselors are expected to serve a minimum of 20 juveniles and their families or 40 total over 12 month calendar year.

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

Short term benefits include (1) increased parent involvement and completion of 70% or higher; (2) Improved Behavior and Mental Health after treatment as measured by a pre and post test Child Behavioral Checklist (CBCL); (3) Decreased Trauma Levels as measured by the PTSD scale

Long term benefits include: The youth remains in the home and community, recidivism rates lower 12 months post treatment

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?

Noncompliance that is determined by BFP to have a direct effect on client health and safety shall result in the imposition of a ten percent (10%) penalty of the total contract payments during the period in which the corrective action plan has not been implemented or in which acceptable progress toward implementation has not been made. Noncompliance involving the provision of service not having a direct effect on client health and safety shall result in the imposition of a five percent (5%) penalty. Noncompliance as a result of unacceptable performance of administrative tasks shall result in the imposition of a two percent (2%) penalty.

The parties agree that the penalties provided in this Standard Contract constitute financial consequences under sections 287.058(1)(h) and 215.971(1)(c), FAs required under FL statute and FL 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.

This is not applicable.



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14. Requestor Contact Information

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15. Recipient Contact Information

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b. Municipality and County	Brevard

c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

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