



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2642

1. Project Title Foster Care Wraparound Support Program and Diversion Services Program for At-Risk Young Males

2. Senate Sponsor Aaron Bean

3. Date of Request 01/27/2022

4. Project/Program Description

Because of Tampa's child welfare crisis, the program will recruit male volunteers to serve an increased number of foster parents with vital wraparound support services such as meals, diapers, respite care, home projects, and emotional support, resulting in less stress and increased retention rates. It will also decrease anxiety and increase confidence in male youth aging out of foster care by providing consistent, stable male mentorship and opportunities to learn skills and gain employment.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Children and Families

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	300,500
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	300,500

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)	300,500	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	300,500	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22		300,500	310A	No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 300,500

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

None

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

No



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

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	To enhance our offerings to an increased population of beneficiaries, new direct care staff will be hired to implement the project.	50,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Recruitment of male volunteers through targeted media (10,000), customized wraparound services such as meals, goods, counseling, respite, & home projects (70,000), rent & utilities (16,800), travel/field training (11,860), office (3,500), laptops/curriculum/training/certification for foster youth (35,400), meals (6,240), scholarship incentives (19,200), insurance (1,500).	174,500
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Train staff & mentors in trauma-informed care (Finally Home Adoption Services, Mr Oliver), Stipends for mentors, Develop/contextualized content for maximum cultural/client relevance w/ community partners (Camelot Community Care, Eckerd Connects, A door of Hope), Life skills training w/ community partners (Park Eleazar, Tampa Bay Plumbing, Improved, et al.)	76,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		300,500

12. Program Performance

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

Foster parents and relative/non-relative caregivers will report more manageable lives, less stress, and increased retention; at-risk male youth will report greater confidence and less anxiety.

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

Surveys for foster families, caregivers, and aged-out foster male youth will be completed to gauge effectiveness.

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

Staff will recruit, train, and coordinate male volunteers to wrap around foster families with aforementioned support services, as well as, recruit and train mentors to serve as positive, consistent, male role models for aged-out foster youth.

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

Economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, preschool students, grade school students, high school students, university/college students, and others such as foster families, relative & non-relative caregivers, aged-out foster youth. Expected to be served: 201-400.

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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Improve mental health, protect the general public from harm, increase or improve economic activity, create specific immediate job opportunities, enhance specific individuals economic self sufficiency and divert from criminal/juvenile justice system.

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?

Unless otherwise stated or without good merit, failure to meet deliverables will result in financial penalties and/or reduction in allocations as described in 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.

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