



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2764

1. Project Title Expansion of RITE Academy Training to Fire Rescue Organizations in Broward County

2. Senate Sponsor Bobby Powell

3. Date of Request 02/02/2022

#### 4. Project/Program Description

The funding request will facilitate a countywide training of Fire Rescue and Emergency Medical Services personnel. Fire Rescue/EMT is not immune to current social issues as it relates to diversity. As Fire Rescue/EMT departments make strides to integrate ethnicity, cultures and gender into the industry, the RITE training will help build a stronger foundation of trust, acceptance and fairness in all aspects of this profession. The Broward Fire Chief's Association is working with BSO Fire Rescue and Emergency Services Department to accomplish training countywide.

Upon completion of the two day "Train the Trainer" RITE Academy course, the Broward Sheriffs Office will provide the required RITE Academy course workbooks and training kits for all of the Broward County Fire Rescue and Emergency Services agencies who participated in the diversity training initiative. This funding request will assist with the purchase of these supplies for the training.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Financial Services

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	118,720
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>118,720</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)	118,720	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>118,720</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.



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

No

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
<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	Train the Trainer Instructor Book and Tool Kit \$38,287.20 RITE Academy Training Supplies and modules for students \$80,432.90	118,720
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<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>118,720</b>

**12. Program Performance**

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

The goal is to expand the collective effort between the Broward Sheriff's Office and the The Broward Fire Chief's Association to have an accredited Diversity Training organization instruct personnel on cultural awareness, racial awareness, social and emotional intelligence, and the use of de-escalation techniques.

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

Upon completion of the two day "Train the Trainer" RITE Academy course, the Broward Sheriff's Office will provide the required RITE Academy course workbooks and training kits for all of the Broward County Fire Rescue and Emergency Medical agencies who participated in the diversity training initiative. This funding request will assist with the purchase of these supplies for the training for the almost 2,500 fire rescue/EMT personnel throughout Broward County and its various municipalities.

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

As Fire Rescue/EMT departments make strides to integrate ethnicity, cultures and gender into the industry, the RITE training will help build a stronger foundation of trust, acceptance and fairness in all aspects of this profession and will enable Broward County law enforcement agencies and fire rescue organizations to build stronger community partnerships and relationships and help each provide the best public safety services in the country.

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

Broward County's over 1.9 million residents and 13 million annual visitors who may require Fire Rescue/EMT services.



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

This funding request will enable Broward County d fire rescue organizations to build stronger community partnerships and relationships and help each provide the best public safety services in the country. The selection and facilitation of the Racial Intelligence Training and Engagement (RITE) Academy to meet this goal is a collective effort between the Broward Sheriff's Office and the Broward County Fire Chiefs Association to have an accredited Diversity Training organization instruct personnel on cultural awareness, racial awareness, social and emotional intelligence, and the use of de-escalation techniques. Racial Intelligence Training and Engagement (RITE) Academy is approved by the International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training (IADLEST) National Certification Program (NCP) and in 33 Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Academies.

**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?**

Standard Department of Financial Services penalties such as repayment of funds.

**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.**

No fixed capital outlay. All resources will be used by the Broward Sheriff's Office and municipal Fire Rescue/EMT departments.



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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) Public Safety Organization

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