



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2299

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

LCSO proposes implementing a dedicated law enforcement unit committed to combating gun violence within Leon County. The LCSO Gun Violence Reduction Unit (GVRU) would incorporate investigative collaborations across law enforcement, detention, judicial, and social services systems to ensure that proper resources and interventions are brought to bear to make a meaningful impact on the problem.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	643,995
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	643,995

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	643,995	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 2024-2025	643,995	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

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.

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

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



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Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List 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.

13. 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	1 FTE -GVRU Sergeant @ \$133,541/FTE 2 FTE -GVRU Detectives @ \$94,740/FTE 1 FTE -GVRU Analyst @ \$76,749/FTE *FTE calculations includes FICA, Medicare, over-time pay, life insurance, FRS, health insurance, Workers Compensation, and liability insurance	399,770
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	3 FTE GVRU sworn LE: Computer @ \$2,500/FTE; Cell Phone @ \$400/FTE; Software \$1,500/FTE; Training/Travel/Certifications @ \$1,000/FTE; Uniforms, Equipment, Weapons, Radios @ \$19,425/FTE; Fully equipped, unmarked law enforcement vehicle @ \$55,000/FTE. 1 FTE GVRU Analyst: Computer @ \$1,000; cell phone @ \$400; software @ \$700; equipment @ \$1,650; Training/Travel/Certs @ \$1,000	244,225
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		643,995

14. Program Performance



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

The Tallahassee-Leon Council on the Status of Men and Boys (CSMB) was established as a local collaboration to study and address local gun violence. Using federal grant funds awarded to CSMB, Florida State University conducted research into problem causes and recommended solutions. FSU rendered a report recommending evidence-based interventions outside CSMB's scope and LCSO's present capacity. Funds will be used to establish an LCSO Gun Violence reduction Unit (GVRU) comprised of one full-time sergeant, two full-time deputy/detective positions, and one full-time Intelligence Analyst.

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

Services provided will include, but not be limited to, focused deterrence, coordination of gun crime reviews with appropriate parties including federal and state prosecutors, task force development and participation, and referral services.

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

Direct services to citizens would include, but not be limited to, focused deterrence, delivery of social services and support, increased monitoring of high-risk individuals, follow-up communication and resource support, and referral services.

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

From June 4, 2019 - June 4, 2023, Leon County experienced 733 homicides and non-fatal shootings. Gun violence impacted a total of 1,255 victims in Leon County during the study period, most frequently black males in their mid to late twenties. Focused deterrence, delivery of social services and support, increased monitoring of high-risk individuals, follow-up communication and resource support, and referral services would directly benefit both the at-risk population and the entire resident and visitor population of Tallahassee/Leon County which exceeds 300,000 persons.

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

This unit will operationalize the evidence-based gun violence interventions recommended in the FSU report. Success will be measured by the future reduction in gun violence incidents as compared to the existing baseline.

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?

Return of appropriations. Would be outlined in agency contract.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)



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- 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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number