



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1790

1. Project Title
2. Senate Sponsor
3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This project educates the public about exploitation and human trafficking by providing training and resources to staff, community members, and survivors. It will expand services by hiring additional staff to support more clients and strengthen community advocacy. Survivors will receive essential interpersonal skills and education programs, empowering them to rebuild their lives with guidance from trained and dedicated staff.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds
- State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	150,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>150,000</b>

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	150,000	61%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	30,000	12%
Other	65,000	27%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027</b>	<b>245,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?
- If yes, provide the most recent instance:

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

9. Is future-year 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.
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Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects



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#### 10. 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?

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

11. 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.

#### 12. 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	3 Case Managers - Salaries for case managers to offer trauma informed individualized wraparound services and resource connections. Case Manager Salary \$27,000, fringe 30% \$9,000 = \$30,000 x3 = \$90,000. Requested from State (2 x \$30,000) = \$60,000	60,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Support Staff - (Salary 17,500 + 30% fringe 7,500) = \$25,000	25,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Staff Training and Travel. Requested from State (\$40,000 x 50%) = \$20,000	20,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Consultants and Experts-Program Evaluation Study-2000 Workshops and Training Materials for Survivors-(\$20,000 Educational Supply, \$6,000 Computer Lab \$10,000). Requested from State (\$58,000 x 50%) = \$29,000	29,000
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Office supplies and utilities: \$14,000, Technology and Tools: \$6,000. Requested from State (\$20,000 x 50%) = \$10,000	10,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Community Awareness and Marketing Campaign Events and Outreach Materials: \$6,000. Partnership Development: \$6,000. Requested from State (\$12,000 x 50%) = \$6,000	6,000
<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>150,000</b>

#### 13. Program Performance

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



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The requested funds will directly expand our capacity to prevent human trafficking and support survivors. Funding will allow us to provide specialized training and educational resources to staff, community members, and vulnerable populations, strengthening public understanding of exploitation and how to respond safely. It will also support the hiring of additional trained personnel, enabling us to assist more clients through trauma-informed case management, advocacy, and community outreach.

Survivors will benefit from essential life-skills development, interpersonal skills training, and educational programs that help them rebuild stability and independence. Overall, these funds will enhance community protection, increase access to critical services, and improve long-term outcomes for survivors of human trafficking and exploitation.

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

Activities and services funded through this project will include:  
Survivor Services: Case management, life-skills workshops, and access to mental-health therapy to promote healing and independence. Community Outreach: Educational presentations, events, and partnerships that increase awareness and prevent exploitation. Staff Training & Capacity: Targeted training for staff and hiring additional personnel to expand service delivery.  
Operational Support: Essential resources and tools that ensure effective, efficient program operations.  
This funding strengthens survivor support, expands outreach, and increases the organization's overall capacity.

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

Direct services will include: Survivor Support with case management, life skills training, medical and mental health assistance, education support, and emergency aid; Youth Education through an updated app and outreach for trafficking prevention; Community Awareness via campaigns, events, and partnerships; and Enhanced Services with staff training and expanded access through new hires.

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

The target population includes survivors of human trafficking and exploitation, vulnerable youth, community members, and frontline staff who benefit from prevention education and training. Through direct services, outreach, and training initiatives, the project is expected to serve more than 800 individuals over the funding period.

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

Expected Benefit/Outcome:  
The project will expand our ability to prevent trafficking and support survivors by increasing trained staff, improving community education, and strengthening trauma-informed services. Survivors will gain essential life skills and stability, and the community will be better equipped to identify and respond to exploitation.  
Measurement Methodology:  
Track survivor progress (housing, life-skills, employment, case-management goals).  
Measure community education impact through training attendance and pre/post surveys.  
Monitor staff training completion and caseload capacity.  
Track total individuals reached through services and outreach.  
Success will be measured through program data and participant feedback.

#### **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 in the contract?**

If the agency fails to meet deliverables or performance measures outlined in the contract, the following penalties may be considered in addition to standard remedies:  
Withholding of Funds: Payments may be delayed or reduced until deliverables are met.  
Corrective Action Plan: The agency may be required to submit and implement a plan to address deficiencies.  
Activity Suspension: Specific program activities may be paused until compliance is achieved.  
Reimbursement: The agency may be required to repay funds associated with unmet deliverables.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? ☐ No

#### **a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?**

- ☐ Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)



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- ☐ Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- ☐ Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

**b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):**

**15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?**

- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

**a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:**

**b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:**

**16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?**

- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

**a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):**

**17. Requester Contact Information**

**a. First Name**  **Last Name**

**b. Organization**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**  **Ext.**

**18. Recipient Contact Information**

**a. Organization**

**b. Municipality and County**

**c. Organization Type**



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- ☐ 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  Ext.

#### 19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

*The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.*