



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1122

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

4. Project/Program Description

The Figgers Healthcare Tablets aim to revolutionize care for seniors, disabled adults, and children by integrating telehealth, mental health support, education, and high-speed data connectivity. The tablets provide remote access to healthcare, breaking down barriers for those with mobility challenges. Mental health resources enhance overall well-being, recognizing the interconnectedness of physical and mental health. Tailored education and collaboration with exceptional professionals ensure inclusive learning for disabled children. Crucially, the program is committed to bridging the digital divide and making technology accessible to all. High-speed data connectivity enables seamless access to services, irrespective of location, fostering a more equitable and inclusive landscape for healthcare and education.

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 | 1,000,000 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 1,000,000 |

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) | 1,000,000 | 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 2024-2025 | 1,000,000 | 100% |

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

| Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy) | Amount | | Specific Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| | Recurring | Nonrecurring | | |
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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.
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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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

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 | The Program Manager's \$80,000 annual salary covers leadership, coordination, and oversight of the telehealth program. Responsibilities include strategic planning, team management, stakeholder engagement, and ensuring program objectives are met efficiently and effectively. | 80,000 |
| Other Salary and Benefits | | 0 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | The \$12,000 for travel will be utilized for staff training and program implementation. It includes expenses for workshops, on-site training sessions, and travel-related costs to ensure a successful launch and efficient operation of the telehealth program. | 12,000 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | The \$30,000 for the Telehealth Technology Consultant covers expert guidance on implementing and optimizing telehealth solutions. This includes advising on hardware and software integration, ensuring data security, and providing technological insights for program success. | 30,000 |
| Operational Costs: Other | | |
| Salary and Benefits | The \$60,000 for salaries and benefits will cover Telehealth Coordinators and Administrative Support. It ensures competitive wages, healthcare benefits, and employee well-being, fostering a skilled and motivated team essential for successful program execution. | 60,000 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | \$578,000 for tablets covers the purchase of 2,000 devices at \$289 each. \$240,000 for 5G data plans allocates \$15/month per tablet. | 818,000 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | 0 |
| Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation: | | |



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| Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering | | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 1,000,000 |

14. Program Performance

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

The specific purpose and goal of the Figgers Tablet Program are to enhance the overall well-being and quality of life for seniors, disabled adults, and children in the Florida's Senate District 30. The program seeks to achieve this by providing a specialized tablet with features tailored to address the unique needs of these demographics. The tablets aim to break down barriers to healthcare, mental health support, and education, empowering users to lead healthier and more connected lives. Key goals include increasing accessibility to telehealth services, improving mental health outcomes through confidential therapy sessions, facilitating personalized education for children with disabilities, and fostering community engagement. The program also aims to promote independence among users through user-friendly interfaces, remote monitoring for health metrics, and emergency response features. Ultimately, the Figgers Tablet Program strives to create a positive impact in Palm Beach.

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

The funds allocated to the Figgers Healthcare Tablet Program will be utilized for various services. Telehealth services will enable remote consultations with licensed healthcare professionals, facilitating routine access to medical care. Mental health support features will offer confidential therapy sessions and stress management resources. Educational services for disabled individuals will include tailored content, virtual classrooms, and collaboration with special education professionals to ensure personalized learning plans. The user-friendly interface, equipped with voice command capabilities, will be optimized for seniors and those with visual impairments. Remote monitoring tools will track vital signs with automated alerts for caregivers in case of emergencies, ensuring timely interventions. The funds will contribute to ongoing updates, maintenance, and essential services, ensuring their sustained impact on the well-being of seniors, disabled adults, and children.

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

The appropriation project will provide people with crucial services by implementing the Figgers Healthcare Tablet Program. Seniors, disabled adults, and children will gain access to telehealth services, enabling remote consultations with licensed healthcare professionals for routine check-ups and specialized medical advice. Mental health support services will offer confidential Therapy sessions and stress management resources, contributing to emotional well-being. Educational services tailored to disabled individuals include virtual classrooms and collaborative learning plans. The user-friendly interface, equipped with voice command capabilities, ensures accessibility for all ages. Community engagement features will foster connections through support groups and forums, promoting a sense of belonging. The high-speed data connectivity provides seamless access to these essential services, directly impacting citizens by breaking down barriers to healthcare, mental health, and education.

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

The target population served by the Figgers Healthcare Tablet Program encompasses seniors, disabled adults, and children in Palm Beach. The project aims to distribute 2,000 tablets to individuals within this demographic, directly impacting and benefiting this significant number of citizens. By specifically tailoring the program to the unique needs of seniors, individuals with disabilities, and at-risk youth, the initiative ensures a wide-reaching impact on the community's well-being. The tablets will serve as a vital tool in breaking down barriers to healthcare, mental health support, and education, ultimately empowering the recipients to lead healthier and more connected lives.

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

The expected benefit of the Figgers Healthcare Tablet Program is a substantial improvement in the overall well-being of the targeted population in Florida's Senate District 30. This encompasses enhanced access to healthcare, mental health support, and educational resources, fostering independence and community engagement. The outcome will be measured through a comprehensive methodology, including quantitative and qualitative indicators. Quantitatively, metrics such as the frequency of telehealth consultations, medication adherence rates, and educational engagement metrics will be tracked. Health outcomes, including improvements in vital signs and overall health metrics, will also be assessed. Qualitatively, feedback from users regarding the usability of the tablets, the effectiveness of mental health support, and the impact on educational experiences will be collected through surveys and interviews.



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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?

Penalties for contract non-compliance can include liquidated damages, withholding payments, termination for cause, and scope reduction. Performance bonds and rebid options may apply. Clear contractual consequences ensure accountability and adherence to deliverables, maintaining quality and timelines.

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)

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