



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3440

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Integrated Medication Assisted Treatment Response (iMATR) program is needed to reduce health disparities that have lifelong negative impacts within disadvantaged communities. iMATR will provide high-quality, comprehensive outpatient care for Broward County residents experiencing a substance use disorder. iMATR will provide comprehensive psychosocial/behavioral therapy and pharmacotherapy to address the underlying issues that contribute to the substance abuse and/or co-occurring conditions, as well as expand services for labor/delivery and babies born with neonatal abstinence syndrome. Therapeutic services will aim to support and assist individuals in the acquisition of skills and resources that reduce the risk of relapse, to aid in improving self-sufficiency, and achieving their treatment plan goals. iMATR will be implemented under the leadership of Broward Health, who has served the community for more than 80 years.

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	999,238
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	999,238

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)	999,238	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	999,238	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	999,238	378	No

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.

At the moment, Broward Health does not have a source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding. If state funding is not provided, the applicant will continue to pursue funding from other sources, including donations and grant-making activities.



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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.

Broward Health received \$87,930,551 in provider relief and federal grant funding related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Provider relief helped Broward Health's safety net hospitals sustain essential operations and care for the community. Federal grant funds received, including Healthcare for the Homeless and Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program grants, were used to increase service delivery capacity directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic, ensuring the ability to prevent and mitigate COVID-19.

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	Broward Health is requesting \$874,008 to support current and expanded salary and benefits for overall program costs. Staff will work as a multidisciplinary, cohesive unit to support participants' needs. Five additional staff members will be added to the program to support expanded services including specialized pharmacists, case managers, social workers, and outreach staff.	874,008
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Broward Health is requesting \$125,230 to support overall program supplies and staff training. Supplies include those needed for office operations and direct patient care.	125,230
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)		999,238

14. Program Performance

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

The Integrated Medication Assisted Treatment Response (iMATR) program is needed to reduce health disparities that have lifelong negative impacts within disadvantaged communities. iMATR will focus on general social welfare for all Broward County residents and its goal is to provide high-quality, comprehensive outpatient care for County residents experiencing a substance use disorder.

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

To meet the intended purpose of these funds, iMATR will encompass a person-centered, trauma-focused treatment approach for treating substance use disorders and/or co-occurring conditions. iMATR will provide comprehensive psychosocial/behavioral therapy and pharmacotherapy to address the underlying issues that contribute to the substance abuse and/or co-occurring conditions, as well as expand services for labor/delivery and babies born with neonatal abstinence syndrome. Therapeutic services will aim to support and assist individuals in the acquisition of skills and resources that reduce the risk of relapse, to aid in improving self-sufficiency, and achieving their treatment plan goals.

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

The following direct services will be provided to citizens:

- Screening & orientation to treatment
- Multidisciplinary diagnostic assessments and exams
- Nursing assessments
- Medication for addiction
- Medication administration
- Group therapy meetings
- Weekly individual and/or family therapy sessions
- Drug testing & breathalyzer tests
- Structured daily check-ins
- Peer/Recovery support
- Family psychoeducation sessions & support groups
- Aftercare/continuing care planning & referrals
- Treatment planning
- Case management services

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

The target population are vulnerable and/or underserved populations residing in Broward County, who is defined as persons age 18+ who may belong to low socioeconomic status (SES); who may be indigent, underserved, uninsured, and/or underinsured; and, who experiencing a substance use disorder. Low SES will be determined by the Financial Assistance Program Policy, which utilizes income as a percentage of the most current Federal Poverty Guidelines issued by US Department of Health and Human Services. The appropriation project expects to serve 280 individuals from the target population.

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

Integrating evidence-based clinical and community strategy to reduce the misuse of addictive substances have been successful. The United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) (2019) cited various examples of programs where the integration of preventive strategies in clinical and community settings successfully contributed to behavior change and modification. One example, tobacco control, demonstrated comprehensive tobacco treatment programs were successful in reducing the prevalence of tobacco use among adults by more than 50%.

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?



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Broward Health is open to discuss any and all penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract. Please note that if only partial funding was granted, the number of persons served would be modified. In order to maintain true to the evidence-based clinical and community strategy, the services and treatment protocols cannot be modified.

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