



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Florida Association for Infant Mental Health

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Darryl Rouson

3. **Date of Submission:** 11/14/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

The Florida Association for Infant Mental Health (FAIMH) supports the vision that one day all children will be emotionally healthy, equipped to learn, and nurtured to develop to their full potential. FAIMH, with over 400 statewide members, supports workforce and professional development efforts for organizations, agencies and individuals serving children birth through age 5 years and their families. This project request will support the effective integration of infant mental health efforts across service sectors throughout the state by initiating an infant mental health competency and endorsement system for Florida that will be the framework for building a cadre of infant mental health specialists, establishing training opportunities, creating awareness of the importance of infant and early childhood mental health and creating child well-being and family strengthening opportunities.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** No

a. If yes, which state agency?

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

Department of Children and Families

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
200,000		200,000

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	107,000	33.5%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	12,000	3.8%
TOTAL	119,000	37.3 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 319,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**



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- Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
- In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional)
- What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- Complete the following Worksheet.

FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18		
	(If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:			

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

Yes

- If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year.

\$200,000

11. Program Performance:

- What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?

FAIMH's vision is that all children will be supported in the early relationships that lead to optimal development and outcomes. Our purpose is to help implement this vision by defining the need for infant mental health supports, integrating infant mental health services into current programs throughout the state, building a cadre of infant mental health specialists, establishing training opportunities, promoting adequate funding, and continuing to evaluate the long-term impact of supportive IMH services in the community. Our work diligently addresses the needs of our most vulnerable children, this includes babies born exposed to Opioids and families that are struggling with Opioid addiction while caring for young children. Through the development of resources and programs to strengthen the social-emotional development of our most at risk young children, we expect to move the needle on reducing infant mortality, increasing school readiness and optimizing children's development.

- What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

Specifically, funds would be used to promote and initiate the Florida Infant Mental Health Endorsement system that will ready the infant and early childhood mental health workforce in the state to provide services and supports to infants, toddlers and young children and their families. This effort also supports the expansion and integration of ongoing infant mental health professional development trainings and program consultation,



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to agencies across service sectors, serving young children and families with innovative practices serving high-risk families of infants, toddlers and preschoolers promoting school readiness, child resiliency, health and family wellness.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Director	100,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits	Program support personnel	75,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Events and student tuition support	25,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		200,000

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Funding would support the delivery of quality infant mental health services throughout the state through the implementation of the Florida Infant Mental Health Endorsement system. This competency and endorsement system and it's accompanying training infrastructure system will ready the infant and early childhood mental health workforce in Florida to provide quality services and supports to infants, toddler and young children and their families. The funding would also support vulnerable populations, specifically, addressing Opioid addicted babies and parents throughout our state.

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



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There are over 1 million children ages 0-5 in Florida who would benefit from the professional development efforts of FAIMH, as well as from a supported system of care specifically for children ages 0-5 years and their families. FAIMH currently has over 400 members across Florida.

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

FAIMH efforts will materially and positively influence young children's developmental outcomes, school readiness, school success, and long term productivity as citizens and taxpayers. Further, FAIMH's workforce development program will ready the statewide workforce to provide a significant impact on our state's ability to sustain effective strategies for supporting young children and their families and address the Opioid epidemic as well as other toxic stressors impacting our highest risk families.

g. 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?

Return funding to State.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information:

- a. **Name:** Lisa S. Negrini, President
- b. **Organization:** Florida Association for Infant Mental Health
- c. **Email:** Inegrini@usfsp.edu
- d. **Phone Number:** (727)873-4848

14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** Florida Association for Infant Mental Health
- b. **County:** Pinellas
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
- d. **Contact Name:** Lisa S. Negrini, President
- e. **E-mail Address:** Inegrini@usfsp.edu
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15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

- a. **Name:** None



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b. Firm: None

c. Email:

d. Phone Number: