



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Florida Association of Centers for Independent Living - Small Center Infrastructure Funding

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Dorothy Hukill

3. **Date of Submission:** 12/12/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

The requested funding of \$1.46 million would provide for funding to smaller, primarily rural, Centers for Independent Living to bring each Center up to a minimal base funding of \$570,000 as recommended by the Florida Independent Living Council (FILC) in the state's independent living plan. This funding will allow the smaller centers, which serve mostly rural areas where individuals with disabilities are scattered across large geographic areas, to have the basic infrastructure necessary to establish a full complement of services and to be able to effectively serve individuals in the more remote reaches of their catchment areas. The issue would allow services to be provided to 1,748 additional individuals with disabilities of all kinds. Many of these individuals are either ineligible for or on a waiting list for community-based services provided through traditional government programs.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** Yes

a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Education

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

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
1,464,793		1,464,793

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

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	2,303,306	48.3%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	221,900	4.7%
Local	289,061	6.1%
Other	491,806	10.3%
TOTAL	3,306,073	69.4 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 4,770,866

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.)		
	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.

At \$1.46 million but amount will be reduced if additional Federal funds become available. Funding requested for future years will be the amount required to bring each small center up to a \$570,000 minimum standard of combined state and Federal funds.

### 11. Program Performance:

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

This will serve at least 1,748 individuals with disabilities living independently in their communities. It will also allow each Center for Independent Living to have the basic resources needed to sustain a fully functional center and extend services to individuals living in more remote areas served by small centers.

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

Centers provide a diverse array of services ranging from training on skills necessary to live independently and safely in the community, information and referral, adaptive equipment, home modifications, ADA compliance assistance to local businesses, nursing home transition support, assistance in preparation and access to appropriate services during times of disaster, and individual advocacy.

- How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		



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<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<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	Will provide for 25 additional FTE that will serve in various capacities, including personnel to serve the remote areas. In addition, it will allow for converting 3 part time staff to full time and allow for limited salary enhancements to staff to improve retention (does not include CEO).	1,174,260
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Will provide for expenses associated with new FTE's (e.g. rent, computers, mileage) and to replace worn out and outdated equipment.	290,533
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		1,464,793

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

Please see the response to question 11b. above. This appropriation will allow CILs to provide hurricane preparation services to people with disabilities in areas historically left out, and to respond to the needs of people with disabilities following a disaster. It will also provide for the basic level of infrastructure necessary to support the full array of services described therein for individuals with disabilities throughout each center's catchment area, including remote areas.



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

Individuals with all types of disabilities across all age groups. This request would be directed to extending services to the target population living in more remote, rural areas of the state and ensuring that their local Center for Independent has the infrastructure necessary to have a fully functional presence in their communities.

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

Individuals with disabilities will have improved access to supports and services that will allow them to live independently in their communities and to improve preparation and services to individuals with disabilities before and after a disaster.

**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?**

Corrective action plan and ultimately reduction of funding if problems are not remedied.

**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:**

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- b. **Organization:** Florida Association of Centers for Independent Living
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**14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** Florida Association of Independent Living
- b. **County:** Bay, Brevard, Calhoun, Escambia, Flagler, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Holmes, Indian River, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Manatee, Monroe, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Sarasota, Taylor, Volusia, Wakulla, Walton, Washington
- c. **Organization Type:**
  - ☐ For Profit
  - ☒ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
  - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
  - ☐ Local Entity
  - ☐ University or College
  - ☐ Other (Please specify)
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**15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.**

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