



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1215

1. Title of Project: University of Miami - Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center - Firefighter Cancer Initiative

2. Senate Sponsor: Manny Diaz

3. Date of Submission: 02/05/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

The Firefighter Cancer Initiative (FCI) focuses on cancer prevention and treatment. Firefighters are more likely to develop cancer compared to the population they serve. FCI aims to research this increased risk and expand firefighters' access to cancer screenings while educating about prevention and early detection.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Financial Services

State Agency Contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	2,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	2,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	2,000,000	51.30%
Federal	1,824,000	46.78%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	75,000	1.92%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	3,899,000	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		
2018-19		2,000,000	2361A	No

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. 2,000,000

10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		



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Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits	Faculty, research team members and project management team	500,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Research equipment, supplies, and travel	1,475,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Research outreach, recruitment, and education	25,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,000,000

11. Program Performance:

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

Expand firefighters access to education and cancer screenings across the state; enable prevention and earlier detection of the disease; identify exposures that account for increased cancer risk; and field test new technology and methods that measure exposure in the field.

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

Expand firefighters access to cancer screenings across the state; enable prevention and earlier detection of the disease; identify exposures that account for increased cancer risk; and field test new technology and methods that measure exposure in the field. The initiative is also working in collaboration with NIOSH at the federal level with building the national firefighter registry.

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

Funds will provide access to innovative cancer screenings and continue to educate fire departments on cancer risks related to occupational exposures based on information collected from the initiative. Funds will also provide access to these services through a unique mobile clinical infrastructure and through wearable technology to track exposure.

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

The initiative serves Florida firefighters. Over 3,700 firefighters have already been engaged and researchers continue to work to expand access to the initiative.

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

FCI aims to increase the life expectancy of firefighters and their families by better understanding cancer risks related to occupational exposures. Program information collected should result in developing new safety standards and best practices to reduce our firefighters' risk. Outcome will be measured in various ways, including number of firefighters engaged; number of firefighters screened for cancer; successful new



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technologies to monitor exposure; number of tumor specimens submitted to the tumor bank to identify biomarkers and therapeutics; continued analysis of the dataset linking the Florida Cancer Data System with State firefighter data.

- 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?**

Subject to the penalties put forth by the Florida Department of Financial Services.

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.**

None.

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 Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 Non Profit 501(c) (4)
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