



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1242

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

The Safe Children Coalition is the Community Based Care Organization serving Sarasota, Manatee and Desoto Counties. We provide Foster care, adoptions, protective services, case management, Independent living, prevention and diversion. This will assist with paying for beds, housing, therapies, and wrap around services for our most vulnerable population. It will also help reduce caseload to case manager ratios. For the last 5 years, Circuit 12 has become the most adversely affected in the state due to opioid crisis. Removal of children has more than doubled, with 70% of these children under age 5. In some instances, case managers have 50 cases. Circuit 12 funding is \$4,856,464 below the statewide average, or about 20% below.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted? Yes No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="4,856,464"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="000"/>
Total State Funds Requested	4,856,464

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="4856464"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="100.0"/> %
Matching Funds		
Federal	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Local	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Other	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	4,856,464	100 %

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** Yes No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** Yes No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Provide the following services to almost 2,500 with Community Based Care and another almost 2,500 children in our Social Services programs: 1) Case Management; 2) Foster Care; 3) Adoptions; 4) Independent Living Services; 5) Prevention-Diversion; 6) Quality Management; 7) Community & Client Relations; 8) Data Services & Client Records; 9) Training; 10) HIPYP; 11) School House Link; 12) Achievers; 13) CIN/FINS shelter; and 14) Family Management Counseling.	4,856,464
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		4,856,464



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11. Program Performance

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

This funding would bring Circuit 12 funding in step with the statewide average so that it can provide adequate services for the children and families in Sarasota, Manatee and Desoto including foster care, protective services, adoptions, prevention/diversion, substance abuse and mental health. Circuit 12 is funded \$4,856,464 below the statewide average, which represents 22% of its core services funding. The funding will assist with paying for beds, housing, therapies, and wrap around services for our most vulnerable population. It will also help reduce the caseload ratios of case managers. For the last 5 years, Circuit 12 has become the most adversely affected in the state due to opioid crisis. Removal of children has more than doubled, with 70% of these children under age 5. In some instances, case managers have 50 cases.

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

Foster Care, Adoptions, Protective Services, Diversion, Prevention, Substance Abuse, Mental Health, Quality Assurance, training, appropriate housing, etc.

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

Foster Care, Adoptions, Protective Services, Diversion, Prevention, Substance Abuse, Mental Health, Quality Assurance, training, appropriate housing, etc

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

The target population is children and youth ages 0-22 who are either in care and at risk of coming into care. All ages for parents, caregivers, foster parents and adoptive parents if they have a child at risk.

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

Children and Families in Circuit 12 will receive the level of care other children throughout the state of Florida receive. The Department of Children and Families has hundreds of outcome measures and contract measures that all Community Based Care Organizations are held accountable for.

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?

We anticipate meeting all performance measures.



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12. **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.**

N/A

13. **Requestor Contact Information**

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. **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

15. **Lobbyist Contact Information**

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.