



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2503

1. **Project Title** Legal Center of Florida P.A.

2. **Senate Sponsor** Jeff Brandes

3. **Date of Request** 01/23/2020

4. **Project/Program Description**

The Legal Center of Florida P.A., is a non profit organization, a 501(c)(3) whose primary goal is to provide legal accessibility and representation to low-income Floridians, including those from Puerto Rico, and particularly those who are victims of natural disasters including those displaced by hurricanes, earthquakes and other disasters.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** Department of Legal Affairs and Attorney General

State Agency contacted? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	985,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
Total State Funds Requested	985,000

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)	985000	100.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	00	0 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	985,000	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		

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

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 985,000



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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		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Other Salary and Benefits		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Salaries and benefits for attorneys and all supporting personnel including, but not limited to, paralegals, assistants and office staffers.	540,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	All expenses related to the operation of various law center throughout the State of Florida, including but not limited to Orange, Palm Beach, Broward and Miami Dade Counties.	210,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	All services and individuals necessary to successfully carry out the specified tasks. This includes, but is not limited to, community and cultural studies, education, marketing, outreach and oversight.	235,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		985,000



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11. Program Performance

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

The Legal Center of Florida, P.A., has the crucial goal of providing legal accessibility and representation to low-income Floridians particularly to those who are victims of natural disasters including those displaced by hurricanes, earthquakes and other disasters.

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

The Legal Center of Florida, P.A., will provide attorneys, legal representation, legal counseling and assistance to low-income Floridians particularly to victims of natural disasters, including those from Puerto Rico, who were displaced by hurricanes, earthquakes and other natural disasters.

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

We will represent these individuals in legal matters and provide legal counseling and auxiliary support services.

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

The Legal Center's target population are low-income Floridians in need of legal services and representation particularly those who are victims of natural disasters, including those from Puerto Rico, who were displaced by hurricanes, earthquakes and other natural disasters.

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

Legal representation, counseling and guidance to low-income Floridians particularly victims of natural disasters who were displaced by hurricanes and earthquakes. Detailed deliverables as determined by the Department of Financial Services in accordance with legislative intent.

- 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?

Determined by agreement with the Florida Department of Financial Services in accordance with legislative intent.



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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.