



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1175

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

4. Project/Program Description

The Florida Legislature previously awarded Here's Help the funding to build a Plumbing School on the campus of their residential substance abuse treatment facility. Here's Help provides numerous vocational education programs and alternative therapies, which allow those who complete the program to acquire meaningful skills, and ultimately secure quality employment opportunities. This request is to implement the program.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds
- State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	95,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	95,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	95,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	95,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	200,000	250,000	369 & 372	No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?
- a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.
- b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

Fundraising. No other funding available, participants in the program are at risk, poverty level. Most referrals are from Drug Court and DJJ and DOC.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List 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.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Books, computer software, tools for the classes.	30,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Plumbing School instructor	65,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		95,000

14. Program Performance

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

This program, much like our other professional vocational programs, will build a foundation of knowledge through instruction, safety, and practical application skills. It is our intention to introduce trainees to the profession, the potential of securing the knowledge for a well paying career, and to introduce them and create relationships with industry partners who will continue to advance and fund their full apprenticeship programs in the plumbing industry.

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



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Daily instruction, five days per week, year round plumbing skills training, including classroom, and hands on learning. Directives and instruction on safety, tools, plans, techniques and plumbing fixtures.

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

The Plumbing Skills Program is designed to provide meaningful and productive direction for those young men who are on the wrong path and addicted to drugs. It prevents those who were not college bound or employed from ending up in the justice system and provides an opportunity for positive and helpful options to become productive, independent, tax paying citizens. This program is designed to lead those troubled and challenged by substance abuse, into a lucrative career generating opportunities, employment and independence.

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

Adolescents and adults who are referred to Here's Help with addiction substance abuse problems.

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

It is designed for 75% of the program participants to graduate completely and satisfactorily. The methodology to be used will be determined by the instructor as well as the way of evaluation and achievement of goals and objectives.

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 the contract?

Proportional funding suspension

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

16. 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



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f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number