



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1316

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Camillus House Phoenix Human Trafficking Recovery Program is designed to provide low-demand transitional housing and supportive services for adult-aged women who are victims of human trafficking. These individuals are identified and referred by Miami-Dade State Attorney Katherine Fernandez Rundle’s Office (SAO), Homeland Security, police departments and other providers for clients who meet the criteria as victims of domestic and commercial sexual exploitation, labor and other forms of human trafficking. Supportive services assist victims through several phases including: 1) crisis intervention and assessment; 2) case management; and 3) social reintegration. The funding requested for this project will support ongoing operational expenses and staffing for the program. The program has a professional case management and clinical team deploying the latest evidenced based strategies to guide participants through the process of trauma recovery and social reintegration.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	350,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	350,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	350,000	53%
Matching Funds		
Federal	250,000	39%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	49,256	8%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	649,256	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	350,000	315	No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

In order to maintain service levels, Camillus would seek additional private dollars and an increase to VOCA funding.



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

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

Camillus House received \$306,800 in federal funds through the Payroll protection program for non-grant funded payroll for 2.5 months to keep persons employed during the pandemic. We have an application open with FEMA under the COVID-19 emergency for expenses associated with COVID. Camillus was a Miami-Dade County and City of Miami provider for ESG-CV2 (CARES Act) funding, providing rapid rehousing and homeless prevention services to households impacted by the pandemic. (\$12M).

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
 N/A

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	.15 FTE: Director, Behavioral Health Services	16,704
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	1.95 FTEs equivalent clinical, case management and residential support	113,875
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Direct support: educational/vocational training expenses (registration, tuition, fees) and supplies (uniforms, equipment); transportation/bus passes for employment/housing search; facility costs; food; clothing; supplies; move out expenses.	156,921
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted alternative therapies; psychiatric services; Life skills instruction; educational/vocational training program services; legal services,	62,500
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0



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Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)	350,000
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14. Program Performance

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

The Camillus House Phoenix Human Trafficking Recovery Program is designed to provide low-demand transitional housing and evidence-based supportive services for adult-aged victims of human trafficking, with the goal of providing a safe and supportive environment to allow victims to stabilize and prepare them to transition to a healthy, independent life that includes employment and stable housing. For referrals from the Miami-Dade State Attorney’s Office (SAO) and other SAOs, US Dept of Homeland Security and other law enforcement agencies, the supportive environment and behavioral health services provided prepare these survivors to serve as Victim-Witnesses, assisting in successful prosecutions to end the cycle of trafficking. Improved health, successful treatment for mental health and addiction issues, sustainable, legal employment and housing also reduce financial impacts and reliance on public systems (hospitals, crisis, detox, welfare/public benefits, etc.).

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

The Camillus House Phoenix Human Trafficking Recovery Program provides Low-Demand housing & supportive services designed to assist victims through several phases, including: 1) crisis intervention & assessment; 2) comprehensive case management and stabilization; and 3) social reintegration, including sustainable employment and housing stability. The funding requested for this project supports ongoing operational expenses and staffing for the program. Camillus has dedicated case management and clinical staff (masters level clinician) that deploy the latest evidenced based practices to guide participants through the process of trauma recovery. Funding is also provided for access to educational and vocational training programs and job placement assistance, and for housing navigation services to assist in identifying permanent housing in the community. Residential support staff assists the clients in re-integration activities and ensure the clients' safety.

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

The Camillus House Phoenix Human Trafficking Recovery Program is the only dedicated residential program serving adult-aged victims of human trafficking in South Florida. The low-demand supportive services provided help prevent chronic homelessness and re-victimization by: 1) Stabilizing survivors of human trafficking by providing a safe place to receive care and services (and treatment, if needed) to enable them to address their trauma and begin recovery in a safe setting that responds to their needs; 2) Enhancing self-esteem using evidence-based therapeutic models to make victims of human trafficking less vulnerable to any form of exploitation; 3) Assisting victims of human trafficking to obtain training/employment and/or benefits to facilitate financial independence. 4) Providing housing navigation services to return victims of human trafficking safely to the community. Services are supported by a Case Manager, master's Level Clinician, Resident assistants and Housing Navigator.

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

This program serves victims of human trafficking over the age of 18, as identified and referred by the Miami-Dade State Attorney’s Office (SAO), other SAOs, US Dept of Homeland Security and other law enforcement. By the nature of their situation these individuals are homeless or at risk of homelessness and in need of a safe place to live to receive care, treatment and services while also preparing to serve as victim-witnesses in the trials of the human traffickers. The program serves approximately 40 persons a year. This program serves as a statewide resource, available to receive referrals from other counties to maximize benefit to victims of human trafficking throughout the State.

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

Stabilizing these individuals benefits the State of Florida by ensuring that these persons do not become chronically homeless and are not re-victimized, while also allowing the SAO to successfully prepare witnesses for trial against traffickers. This program will also provide enhanced self-esteem and additional vocational skills so that these women are less vulnerable to any form of exploitation. Performance and outcomes include: 1) A minimum of 3 adult victims will receive services each month. 2) 100% of clients in the Human Trafficking Recovery Program will have a service plan that is updated every 30 days. 3) At least of 50% of residential adult victims of human trafficking participating in the Human Trafficking Recovery Program will successfully complete the program. 4) 70% of victims successfully completing treatment in the Human Trafficking will be stably housed.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties



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for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

As per contract, corrective action plans may be required for noncompliance, nonperformance, or unacceptable performance under this Contract. Penalties may be imposed for failures to implement or to make acceptable progress on such corrective action plans. The increments of penalty imposition that shall apply, unless the Department determines that extenuating circumstances exist, shall be based upon the severity of the noncompliance that generated the need for corrective action plan.

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

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number