



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1076

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Here's Help is the only publicly funded agency providing residential substance abuse treatment services to adolescents in Miami-Dade County. The funding helps to meet community demand for these services. Here's Help has a long track record of successful treatment outcomes. Here's Help has been very successful in transitioning the lives of those that have been treated; from having low self-esteem, habitual school issues and involvement in the criminal justice system, to becoming productive citizens.

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	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250,000	44%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	200,000	34%
Local	0	0%
Other	130,000	22%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	580,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	200,000	250,000	378	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.

Private fundraising efforts, which have decreased significantly in this economy.

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

Yes



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

\$284,429 used for payroll

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		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Residential therapists and milieu.	250,000
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)		250,000

14. Program Performance

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

Individuals with substance abuse and co-occurring disorders have been diverted from a life of criminal justice involvement to leading a drug free life, continuing their education, and becoming a productive citizen.

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

Individual, group and family therapy sessions, as well as educational / vocational courses that enhance the individual's ability to be a confident, well adjusted and skilled person.



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

Residential substance abuse treatment services.

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

Adolescents ages 13-17 with substance abuse and co-occurring issues. Most are criminal justice referrals. 27 adolescents are served annually in the residential program.

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

That 70% of the persons served will positively complete the program and 90% enrolled in school at discharge. Successful completion is determined by a person served being 100% drug free and completed 75% of their treatment goals.

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 suspended.

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



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b. Firm Name	<input type="text" value="The Legis Group"/>
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