



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2612

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

4. Project/Program Description

Designate the Pinellas County Behavioral Health Receiving System as a Coordinated Receiving System through Personal Enrichment Through Mental Health Services, Inc. (PEMHS). This will result in a much more coordinated system, providing immediate crisis intervention, assessment and care coordination services, 24 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. The CRS will expedite processing and treatment of individuals in need of behavioral health care and substance use services, reducing inappropriate use of hospital emergency rooms and jails, increased diversion from higher levels of care when possible, reduced drop off times for law enforcement and Emergency Medical Services personnel, direct individuals to appropriate levels of care, and will employ additional care coordination strategies to ensure continuity of care for those in crisis.

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

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

| Type of Funding | Amount |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Operations | 2,200,000 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 2,200,000 |

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) | 2,200,000 | 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 2024-2025 | 2,200,000 | 100% |

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

| Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy) | Amount | | Specific Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| | Recurring | Nonrecurring | | |
| | | | | |

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.

There is no other available funding source for this project.

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



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Yes

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

PEMHS received a PPP loan to support increased staffing and CARES Act Provider Relief Funds to supplement lost revenue.

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 | Salary and Benefits for agency administration including CEO and support staff. | 16,102 |
| Other Salary and Benefits | Salary and Benefits for agency administration services including executive management, human resources, accounting and finance and information systems. | 77,317 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | General operating expenses for administrative services. | 139,180 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | 0 |
| Operational Costs: Other | | |
| Salary and Benefits | Salaries and Benefits for Nursing, Mental Health Techs, Therapists, Discharge Planning and Transportation. | 1,411,953 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | General operating expenses to include pharmacy, dietary, maintenance, and other support costs. | 395,101 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | Contracted services for psychiatric and medical services. | 160,347 |
| Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation: | | |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering | | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 2,200,000 |

14. Program Performance

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



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The specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds will be to provide a coordinated receiving system that will provide immediate access to care and treatment for individuals in need of mental health and substance use services. Care coordination services will ensure a no-wrong door model and individuals will receive appropriate services at the right time and at the appropriate level of care.

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

Working with community partners to include behavioral health, substance use, housing, physical health care, law enforcement, corrections, and hospitals, the activities that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds will be coordinated receiving to immediate crisis intervention, triage, screening and assessment, treatment and care coordination services 24 hour, 7 days a week with a warm hand-off.

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

The direct services that will be provided to citizens by the appropriations project will be immediate crisis intervention, access to inpatient crisis stabilization services, Psycho-education, medication, care coordination, peer support, diversion to lower level of care when possible, mobile crisis team services to link to mental health and substance use services with a warm handoff to encourage engagement.

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

The target population is all citizens in need of behavioral health crisis services. Approximately 5100 individuals will be served annually.

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

The benefit of or outcome of this project will be that more individuals will be served and receive appropriate and individualized care for their behavioral health needs. There will be timely delivery of services to meet the growing demands.

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?

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 will be that, the contracting agency has the option to cancel the contract and/or request the return of a percentage of funds.

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)



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- 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