



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3271

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

The Outreach Specialists will respond to requests from Law Enforcement to provide assistance to persons experiencing homelessness that they encounter on the streets. The Outreach Specialists will engage with the person and assess their needs. They will link them with local social and rehabilitative resources to help them find shelter, behavioral health and/or medical services, and community supports, make formal referrals to needed medical and or behavioral health services, and provide follow up contact with persons served.

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	120,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	120,000

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)	120,000	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	120,000	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.**

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
 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	(2) full-time Outreach Specialists, program supervision and support with accompanying benefits. Benefits include Paid Time Off, Holidays, Insurance (medical, dental, vision, life), and 403(B) Retirement Plan.	114,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Laptop computers, cell phones with monthly service fees, electronic health record access, and travel reimbursement.	6,000
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)		120,000

14. Program Performance

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

Reduce the amount of time that law enforcement spends engaged in social work activities with persons experiencing homelessness.

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



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The homeless outreach specialist will respond to requests for assistance from law enforcement. They will engage, assess needs, and link to applicable resources.

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

The Homeless Outreach Specialists will provide assistance to persons experiencing homelessness by assisting their needs, linking them to resources, make formal referrals to needed medical and or behavioral health services, and provide follow up contact with the person.

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

Homeless individuals who are previously incarcerated at the Okaloosa County Jail, persons with poor mental health, jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, homeless and drug offenders. It is estimated that 100 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?

There will be a reduction in the amount of time that law enforcement officers are spending in social work interventions with individuals experiencing homelessness.

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?

Return of funding to the state.

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