



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 3133

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

NCH, in collaboration with Collier County Emergency Management and Collier County Sheriff's Office, has worked to create a system that would be mutually beneficial to community partners. Through agreement with the above-mentioned agencies, NCH has been granted the ability to join the Collier County Public Safety radio system. NCH, with support from community partners, is working to build a centralized communications and operations center called the NCH System Operations Center (NSOC).

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,005,561
Total State Funds Requested	1,005,561

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)	1,005,561	88%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	138,368	12%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	1,143,929	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? No

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?

Yes



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

2020: \$32,389,049; 2021 \$29,995,500; 2022: \$7,693,947
 During the pandemic, the federal aid included funds to reimburse NCH for staffing increases, supplies, conversion of care spaces for pandemic care (negative pressure rooms), and other responses to the evolving standard of care.

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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

July 1, 2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

December 31, 2023

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.

NCH Healthcare System, as a non-profit enterprise, owns the property that will house the System Operations Center. NCH is a locally-governed, locally-controlled private non-profit advanced community health care system and is not owned by any other corporate 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		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	The majority of the requested funds would be used for purchase of equipment (technology, furniture, cameras, and associated items) to complete an integrated operations center.	855,561
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The funds would also fund minor renovation of existing space to facilitate the functionality of the proposed NCH System Operations Center. Certain floor structures are necessary for wiring along with modifications to accommodate the technology.	150,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,005,561

14. Program Performance



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

NCH Healthcare System seeks to modernize its System Operations Center to better integrate communications across NCH properties and with county & city emergency response & law enforcement agencies. This will improve the response efficiency of emergencies and also better coordinate the daily communications across NCH facilities, often separated by greater than 15 miles.
 NCH has letters of support for this project from the Collier County Sheriff's Office, City of Naples Fire Rescue. NCH will continue to participate in the County EOC operations when called upon to staff the main County EOC during emergencies.

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

NCH CCTV will be accessible to Collier County Sheriff's Office during emergencies. Internal "code" alerts, switchboard operator, security, access, monitoring of remote facilities (generators during hurricanes as an example), and other emergency operation functions will be coordinated through this facility.

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

Increased efficiency, improved coordination, and quicker response to routine and emergency situations will enhance patient safety, employee safety, and the safety of first responders & law enforcement related to NCH operations.

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

NCH serves patients and families primarily from SW Florida, though tourists and other visitors to our region will be better protected while interacting with our health care system.

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

NCH tracks the number of calls for assistance annually; both internal security and external (CCSO/ Collier Cty Fire Rescue). Once the NCH System Operations Center is functional, we can share details on interactions with local first responder, law enforcement, and emergency management agencies.

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?

NCH will refund all appropriated funds should we fail to complete the project.

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