



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 3212

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

The funds will be utilized at the Gadsden Correctional Facility, as well as the Panama City and Miami North Community Release Centers (CRCs) to provide residents serving the last 6-12 months of their sentences with the skills and resources they need to transition successfully upon release. Shaping Success for Re-entry will deliver a structured behavior management system, individualized case management, and personalized re-entry plans at Gadsden; Persevere will deliver a coding program and structured re-entry program at Gadsden; and MTC's College Connections initiative will provide funding for facility upgrades at the Panama City and Miami North CRCs to better deliver programs, as well as funding for partnerships between Northwest Florida State College and the Panama City CRC, and between Florida International University and the Miami North CRC, to deliver short-term industry certificates to residents in high-demand, high-wage occupations.

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	980,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	20,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>

**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)	1,000,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**  Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22	0	250,000	617	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.**
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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.

## 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)?

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.

The Department of Corrections owns the Panama City and Miami North Community Release Centers. Management & Training Corporation is the entity currently operating both facilities. Both facilities need facility upgrades in order to provide re-entry, employability, and substance abuse programs for the residents.

13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	.	0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	To ensure alignment with best practices and project oversight, two additional programs staff members (Case Manager Coach and Reentry Coordinator) are required at Gadsden for implementation of the Shaping Success behavior management system, individualized case management services, and data entry.	146,579
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Travel expenses from Utah to Florida to provide on-site programs support at the facilities. Expenses for startup fees from our tablet providers.	133,421
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracts will be executed with a variety of external partners (e.g., Persevere, Northwest Florida State College, Florida International University) to provide all aspects of the coding program, adjunct instructors, and course materials.	700,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		



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Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	The Panama City CRC and the Miami North CRC need capital improvement funds to upgrade the facilities in order to provide space for re-entry, employability, and substance abuse programs.	20,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,000,000</b>

#### 14. Program Performance

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

The funds will be used at three correctional facilities (Gadsden, Panama City CRC, Miami North CRC) to build behavioral (cognitive), academic, vocational, and durable (employability) skills that will empower residents to achieve independence, financial stability, and career success upon their release. The goal is to substantially reduce recidivism rates of residents participating in these programs.

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

The funds are being requested to implement a systematic approach to effective re-entry programming, including gender-responsive services, intensive case management, positive behavior management, training in computer coding, and college courses for incarcerated individuals.

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

The funds are being requested to implement a systematic approach to effective re-entry programming, including gender-responsive services, intensive case management, positive behavior management, training in computer coding, and college courses for incarcerated individuals.

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

Incarcerated persons. 800+

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

Developing the social/emotional, and technical skills that are the focus of both Shaping Success for Re-entry and the coding program will empower residents to be more employable, at higher wages, more quickly. The outcomes will be measured in several ways, including at minimum: program participation, number of mental health referrals, disciplinary infractions, percent of program completions/certifications, inmates' satisfaction/perception, incentive/sanction grid usage and staff feedback. Number of individuals obtaining employment, together with wage data, within 3 months and 6 months of release.

##### 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?

It is understood that failure to meet deliverables without notifications of good reason will result in financial penalties as described in the contract.

#### 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



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#### 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