



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2042

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

A not for profit organization run by police officers for police officers. This initiative aims at peer to peer counseling for law enforcement officers suffering from PTSD across the State of Florida.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	60,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	190,000
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250,000	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 2023-2024	250,000	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?

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



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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?

09/01/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/01/2024

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.

Alejandro Palacio, Executive Director and Brian Levy, Chief Financial Officer

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	Mental health consultant to train and board new volunteers.	60,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Rehab 5 trailers in order to house the administration offices, a housing component, and meeting spaces for Blue 4 Blue	190,000
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?

The goal is to provide peer to peer counseling so that officers who are suffering from PTSD, understand the possible symptoms and how to combat through these different emotions. Unlike the military, PTSD in police officers is prevalent because of the work they do on a daily basis and not tracked back to a specific event. Over the course of a law enforcement officers career, they can experience high levels of cortisone due to adrenaline, which causing mood changes, depression, dread, and other such feeling which can significantly and negatively impact the officer's ability for long healthy life after retirement.

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

Peer to peer counseling for police officers suffering from PTSD.

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



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This project will assist any law enforcement officer suffering from PTSD in the state of Florida.

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

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

It will assist law enforcement officers suffering from PTSD by increase coping mechanisms to allow officers to continue providing stellar services to our citizens in Florida.

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?

All remaining funding returned to Florida if benchmarks are not met.

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
b. Firm Name
c. E-mail Address



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d. Phone Number