



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2094

1. Title of Project: Programs & Services for Victims of Sex Trafficking

2. Senate Sponsor: Jeff Brandes

3. Date of Submission: 03/04/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

Programming and services for victims of sex trafficking to include, but not limited to, residential safe housing, public education and awareness, outreach to victims on the streets and in jails, and youth prevention programs.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Legal Affairs and Attorney General

State Agency Contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,800,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	1,800,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,800,000	42.85%
Federal		0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	1,500,000	35.71%
Local	60,000	1.43%
Other	840,286	20.01%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	4,200,286	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		
2018-19		1,150,000	1283	No

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. 2,000,000

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Oversees all aspects of personnel, programming and services for	180,000



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2094

	victims of sex trafficking and exploitation.	
Other Salary and Benefits	Administrative staff for program delivery.	45,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Equipment leases (including but not limited to phones, copiers, internet services) for programs and services to sex trafficking and exploitation.	25,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits	Positions (including but not limited to operations, finance, prevention, awareness, residential, outreach, logistics etc.) All positions provide support for Selah Freedom to provide programs and services to victims of sex trafficking and exploitation.	1,242,400
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	All expenses pertaining to the daily operations of residential safe houses, prevention, programs, outreach and education/awareness.	190,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Specialized trauma therapeutic services to victims.	117,600
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,800,000

11. Program Performance:

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

Programming and services for victims of sex trafficking to include, but not limited to, residential safe housing, public education and awareness, outreach to victims on the streets and in jails, and youth prevention programs. Provide victims with improved physical and mental health, a good quality education, enhance victims' abilities to become economically self sufficient, reduces recidivism, substance abuse and will divert victims from the criminal and juvenile justice system. Ultimately, the women served will become contributing members of the community.

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

Victims will have doctor's visits, check-ups, and treatment, education and awareness on sex trafficking and youth prevention, support groups, safe houses to live in, essential needs to sustain life for clients, etc.

c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Women who are "leaving the life" learn basic life skills, GED support, vocational and college training, therapeutic services, budgeting etc. in an effort for them to become contributing members of our community. Prevention programs are for youth 5-17 to teach them tactics used by predators and how to keep themselves safe from becoming a victim of traffickers and sexual assault. Outreach on the streets and in jails is in collaboration with area law enforcement. Women who are 'still in the life' are able to receive support services in an effort to avoid further victimization. The outreach program included TYLA (Turn Your Life Around), a court diversionary program in collaboration with law enforcement, and the State Attorney's Office. Education and



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2094

Awareness are programs presented to general public, law enforcement, judicial, youth, faith based community, student clubs-high schools, college

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

Female victims of sexual exploitation. Included in this demographic are persons with poor mental health, persons who are jobless, economically disadvantaged, homeless, high school students, university/college students, currently or formerly incarcerated persons, and victims of crime. >800 victims are expected to be served. In addition, >1,400 youth ages 5-17 at risk of being sex trafficked are anticipated to be educated with prevention curriculum, and >900,000 from the general public to be provided with awareness and education about the issue of sex trafficking in America.

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

To improve physical health. 90% of clients will have doctor's visits for treatment of STD's, hepatitis, and annual exams. Improve mental health. 90% of residential clients will engage in therapeutic treatment. Improve quality of education. Over 50,000 people annually receive education/awareness on sex trafficking issues. To protect the general public from harm. To enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency. 70% of women served in residential and outreach programs will achieve economic success. Reduce recidivism. 75% of women will successfully complete program. Reduce substance abuse. 100% of women in programs will be substance free. Divert from criminal/juvenile justice system. 90% of prevention participants will not become victims of sex traffickers.

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 in the contract?

Would be outlined in agency contract.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information:

- a. **Name:** Jon Johnson
- b. **Organization:** Johnson and Blanton, LLC.
- c. **E-mail Address:** jon@teamjb.com
- d. **Phone Number:** (850)224-1900

14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** Selah Freedom, Inc.
- b. **County:** Sarasota
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2094

- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (Please specify)

- d. Contact Name:** Elizabeth Fischer
e. E-mail Address: elizabeth@selahfreedom.com
f. Phone Number: (888)837-3363

15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name:** Jon Johnson
b. Firm Name: Johnson and Blanton, LLC.
c. E-mail Address: jon@teamjb.com
d. Phone Number: (850)224-1900