



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2337

1. **Title of Project:** Bridge Housing for the Homeless

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Victor Torres

3. **Date of Submission:** 03/07/2019

4. **Project/Program Description:**

The City of Kissimmee is requesting funds for the construction of Bridge Housing for the Homeless, an affordable housing complex, to address homelessness in the city.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds :** Department of Economic Opportunity

State Agency Contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	5,700,000
Total State Funds Requested	5,700,000

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)	5,700,000	100.00%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	0	0.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020		100.0%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

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

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** No

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		



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Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construction of HOME phase 2 providing for the build out of the remaining 48 units on the campus. The design, site plan, and engineered drawings will need minor updates.	5,700,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,700,000

11. Program Performance:

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

Homelessness in Osceola County has long been identified as a symptom of the lack of affordable housing. With more than 5,200 homeless children (1,100 of them residing in hotels) and affordable housing units at an all-time low, building housing is the only sustainable solution to this problem. The devastating affects of Hurricane Maria exacerbated the issue by adding over 2,700 homeless children to the area, further impacting local housing resources. Funds will help alleviate homelessness by constructing bridge housing.

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

Housing and wraparound services - homelessness to permanent housing pipeline.

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

The project will provide furnished apartment units with case management, education, and employment services.

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

The target population includes jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, and the homeless. The project is expected to serve 101-200 individuals.

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

The benefits include reducing health issues associated with homelessness, enhancing an individual's economic self sufficiency, and reducing homelessness and hunger related crimes.

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?

Standard contract penalties.

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.



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City of Kissimmee will receive the funds. The building will be owned by the City of Kissimmee and the land is owned by a local nonprofit Aspire Health Partners.

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14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** City of Kissimmee
- b. **County:** Osceola
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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