



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2393

**1. Title of Project:** Hurricane Irma - Hannah's House Complex Repair and Mitigation

**2. Senate Sponsor:** Ben Albritton

**3. Date of Submission:** 03/06/2019

**4. Project/Program Description:**

Alpha & Omega Freedom Ministries, Inc. (AOFM)/Hannah's House Apartment Complex is located in Wauchula in rural Hardee County. FEMA has approved a public service grant for the project after 1.5 years of paperwork, quotes, etc. FEMA paid 100% of the emergency services, but only 75% of the balance. This request is for the 25% remainder, further mitigation, and a portion of operational funds. Hannah's House Complex provided homeless women and children a safe haven prior to Hurricane Irma while helping them to gain further education, better jobs in the community, and then a more permanent place to live. Previous requests to the state and county for assistance with the 25% remainder of costs have been denied. The apartment complex is a Florida Housing project. AOFM is a small, family run non-profit, so it does not have the means to finance or raise the \$265,000 requested.

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

State Agency Contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	15,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	250,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>265,000</b>

**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)	265,000	23.66%
Federal	855,008	76.34%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	0	0.00%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020</b>	<b>1,120,008</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**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



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#### 10. 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	Project Head to supervise the construction companies, check their work, making sure they have kept area clean and safe from harm, etc. \$10,000 partial salary.	10,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Assistant Director for completing state required paperwork, keeping up with invoices, paying vendors, etc. \$2,500 partial salary.	2,500
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Operational Costs:</b>		
Salary and Benefits	Onsite manager for Hannah's House Complex to check in/out construction workers, check ids (due to domestic violence component of the complex), make sure areas are left safe and clean for those who are still living in the complex, etc. \$2,500 partial salary.	2,500
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Portion of the tear out and construction monies for the 17-unit apartment complex, plus the community center repairs after the flood - \$213,752.10. Additional mitigation for the building to keep the area from flooding in the future - \$36,247.90.	250,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>265,000</b>

#### 11. Program Performance:

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

The Hannah's House Apartment Complex will be restored so that homeless women and children (also domestic violence survivors) will be able to live in a clean and healthy, budget friendly environment. Rents are minimal and AOFM pays for part of electric bills as well. The request funds will allow AOFM to seal the buildings of the apartment complex so that there is no longer any flooding. Apartments will be repaired as monies allow.

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

AOFM has obtained quotes for all parts of the project. FEMA has approved the majority of funding. (FEMA will pay \$641,256.30 for apartments of the \$855,008.40 total of the renovation. Counting all projects on the property, damages from Hurricane Irma are equal to over \$1 million). The additional mitigation will be \$36,247.90 and the remainder \$213,752.10 will be used towards repairs of the project and a portion of salaries required for the project. Women and children who are homeless and/or domestic violence victims will have a safe and healthy place to stay, while receiving counseling to help them with their future plans.



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

Housing; case management and classes for each homeless clients, which includes budgeting to help with future planning domestic violence counseling (if needed), nutrition classes, addiction classes, improving self-esteem, safety in the community, job skills training if needed, and assistance to get a better education for better jobs so they can make it in the community.

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

Homeless women and children (capability of 59 beds in the project), but there is turnover so anywhere from 40 to 150 throughout the year. The complex also has a computer room for finding jobs, applying online, and searching colleges and housing in the community; a library and reading area; community center and children's area for play and learning. Outside counselees are about 20-30 per year in the community center plus the ladies in the apartment complex 40-150 and house, another 7 to 15 per week, according to how many are in the shelter at the time. There are also about 10-20 children per month.

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

The apartment complex will be completely renovated and running by 4-30-2020. This will be completed through outside contractors. AOFM has already received quotes in all areas and all have been approved by FEMA. Mitigation will be finished first to keep the area from flooding and the rest will go towards renovating the apartment units.

**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?**

If there is a failure for contract services, AOFM will pay back any monies not used appropriately.

**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.**

Alpha & Omega Freedom Ministries, Inc.

**13. Requestor Contact Information:**

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- b. **Organization:** Alpha & Omega Freedom Ministries, Inc.
- c. **E-mail Address:** aofmacct@yahoo.com
- d. **Phone Number:** (863)773-5717 Ext. 1

**14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** Alpha & Omega Freedom Ministries, Inc.
- b. **County:** Hardee
- c. **Organization Type:**
  - For Profit
  - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
  - Non Profit 501(c) (4)



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

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#### 15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name:** None
- b. Firm Name:** None
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