



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1274

1. **Project Title** PEMHS Pinellas Crisis Stabilization Unit Beds2. **Senate Sponsor** Jeff Brandes3. **Date of Request** 10/30/20194. **Project/Program Description**

This request is to reinstate funding to provide for 6 adult Crisis Stabilization Unit beds, which are needed to provide extended stay hospitalization for individuals who meet state hospital admission criteria but are unable to access state hospital beds.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** Department of Children and FamiliesState Agency contacted? ☒ Yes ☐ No6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	750,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
Total State Funds Requested	750,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	750000	100.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	00	0 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	750,000	100 %

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

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2018-19		500,000		No

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

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 750,000



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Salary and Benefits for agency administration including CEO and support staff.	2,438
Other Salary and Benefits	Salary and Benefits for agency administrative services including executive management, human resources, accounting and finance, and information systems.	46,312
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	General operating expenses for administrative services.	26,250
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Salaries and Benefits for Nursing, Mental Health Techs, Therapist, and Discharge Planning.	438,750
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	General operating expenses to include pharmacy, dietary, maintenance, and other support costs.	168,750
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted services for psychiatric and medical services.	67,500
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		750,000



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11. Program Performance

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

These funds will provide Crisis Stabilization Unit services for 548 clients with an average length of stay of 4 days resulting in 2,192 bed days. Last fiscal year there was a 2.3% increase in Emergency Service contacts from law enforcement and this year there continues to be an increase in law enforcement contacts. Many of the individuals served require court order for state hospitalization, however due to an extensive wait list to move these individuals to the state hospital, we are experiencing extended lengths of stay on the crisis unit. In September of this year, 50% of those waiting for state hospitalization were referred to the crisis unit from the Pinellas County Jail. From July 1st through September, 2019, 25% of our beds were occupied by indigent clients waiting for state placement. This has placed a financial burden on the agency as the demand for services for the indigent population has exceeded available funding, and emphasizes the need to keep these beds operational.

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

Crisis Stabilization services provide for inpatient psychiatric care for individuals who are deemed to be a danger to themselves or others and need care in a safe and secure environment. Services include a psychiatric evaluation, nursing assessment, medical history and physical, medication as needed, verbal therapy both individual and group, and discharge planning to an appropriate level of care.

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

These funds will allow those persons in psychiatric crisis and need a safe and secure level of care to access appropriate services.

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

The target population are individuals who meet indigent financial criteria and have no other means of paying for these services to access care.

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

This funding will allow 548 persons to access an appropriate level of care who might otherwise be held in hospital Emergency Departments or might otherwise be placed in jail.

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?

A return of a percentage of funds might be considered for failure to meet expected deliverables or performance measures.



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12. 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.

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. 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

15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.