



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1957

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Inspire of Central Florida is an Adult Day Training facility, providing life skills, educational and pre-employment training to more than 100 adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities in Central Florida. Operation G.R.O.W. is an internship program immersed in both classroom and real-world learning and employment opportunities, currently in the program's third year. During the past three years, the number of participants in Operation G.R.O.W. has nearly tripled, from 11 to 30. Of these, more than 88% of the participants have demonstrated an increase in awareness and knowledge. Additionally, 33% of the participants (10) have obtained and maintained part-time employment in the community. We currently provide these services to citizens in Seminole, Orange and Osceola counties.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted? Yes No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="321,224"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="000"/>
Total State Funds Requested	321,224

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)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="321224"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="100.0"/> %
Matching Funds		
Federal	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Local	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Other	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	321,224	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		
<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="2019-20"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="150,000"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value=""/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="No"/>

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

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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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	Project / Operations Manager salary and benefits	65,300
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	3 Employment Coaches and 1 Coordinator salary and benefits	138,804
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Portion of agency utility costs, portion of agency insurance costs, portion of agency technology costs, marketing, classroom supplies, transportation, agency maintenance and repair, etc	102,720
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Vocational, behavioral and educational consultants fees	14,400
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		321,224



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11. Program Performance

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

Operation G.R.O.W. provides instruction to nearly 30% of our total program enrollment (30). Citizens with developmental and intellectual disabilities are helped to secure employment in the community through our hands-on and individualized instruction. Currently, 33% of our program participants (10) have obtained part-time employment in the community.

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

Operation G.R.O.W. participants will be instructed in vocational, educational and pre-employment training. Additionally, they are offered art classes, music classes, and dance classes through Inspire. These programs help to round out their physical and emotional health and well-being.

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

The primary goal of Operation G.R.O.W. is to help the specialists obtain employment outside of the Adult Day Training facility (ADT) in a competitive environment. This is accomplished through vocational, educational and pre-employment instruction, both in classroom and in real-world employment internships.

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

Inspire of Central Florida serves more than 100 adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities, such as Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy and Autism Spectrum Disorder. Operation G.R.O.W. currently serves 30 of these citizens in the program. Since the programs inception, more than 45 citizens have been enrolled in the program. Approximately 33% of the program participants have secured outside / competitive employment in the community.

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

Operation G.R.O.W. strives to help our specialists to obtain part or full-time employment, reducing their dependence upon government assistance, increasing their self-confidence and maximizing their independence. The outcome will be measured by the number of program participants who achieve employment in a competitive environment.

- 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?

Corrective action plans and/or financial consequences should be levied for failure to meet 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.