



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1962

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

The Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) Diagnostic/Training Clinic has been in operation since 2005. It is the only FASD Clinic in the state, providing statewide services to children/families, birth to 21. Services include a comprehensive FASD diagnostic assessment, statewide consultation, and linkage to community providers in the area of the state client's reside. The purpose of the FASD Clinic is to determine the extent of the physical and neurological/brain damage caused by prenatal exposure to alcohol, develop the 4-Digit Diagnostic code, and determine the most appropriate services/interventions, based on the areas of brain deficit and the person's adaptive functioning. Assessing/diagnosing FASD is a specialty area requiring a highly skilled multidisciplinary team of a speech pathologist, occupational therapist, neuropsychologist, and licensed mental health clinician. The FASD team provides statewide education/training and distribution of FASD prevention rack cards.

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="270,838"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="000"/>
Total State Funds Requested	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="270,838"/>

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="270838"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="45.0"/> %
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="280,000"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="46"/> %
Local	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="32,500"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="5"/> %
Other	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="22,320"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="4"/> %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="605,658"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="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="280,000"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="523"/>	<input 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	Positions include- Chief Executive Officer: Marketing, and community outreach. Chief Operating Officer: Daily program operation oversight. Benefits include- FICA, SUI, Worker's Compensation, health insurance and retirement	4,577
Other Salary and Benefits	Support positions include- Chief Financial Officer: Financial Management Human Resource Director: Payroll and human resources support Accounting Coordinator: Accounts payable and receivable Credentialing and Billing Coordinator (s): Electronic medical records support Benefits include-	15,485
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	A portion of the salaries for the multidisciplinary team, which include: Clinical Director: Facilitate FASD evaluations, perform mental health assessments, complete contract requirements and conduct trainings; Licensed Mental Health Therapist: Perform mental health assessments and consultation Psychologist: Perform IQ and psychological testing and conduct trainings; Occupational Therapist: Occupational screenings and consultation; Speech Therapist: Speech/language screenings and consultation	160,776
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other	Testing supplies, training supplies, general office supplies, staff travel to conduct statewide trainings (includes meals, lodging and travel), costs associated with public awareness campaign	50,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Psychologist Services as may be required for IQ testing and psychological testing.	40,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/ Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		270,838



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11. Program Performance

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

The FASD Clinic currently has a wait list extending to September 2020 for FASD Diagnostic assessments and we have already met our expected number of annual statewide trainings. With the growing number of babies born in Florida substance-exposed, the Clinic has been overwhelmed with referrals. The capacity for diagnostic assessments with existing funds is approximately 70 per year. Making an early diagnosis and providing appropriate interventions is critically important to improving prognosis. Individuals with FASD are at high risk for academic failure, abuse and neglect, foster care, special education, mental health and substance abuse problems and trouble with the law. These funds will allow us to expand statewide capacity for diagnostic assessments/treatment, education/training, and prevention efforts.

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

- 1.) 60 statewide FASD diagnostic assessments using the 4-digit FASD diagnostic code annually
- 2.) statewide intervention services for a minimum of 20 clients monthly
- 3.) statewide FASD trainings to a minimum of 125 program participants with at least four in different geographical areas of the state annually.
- 4.) statewide Prevention efforts to prevent FASD, i.e., physician FASD rack cards, radio and television PSA, Website and social media.
- 5.) statewide consultation/advocacy services to teachers, physicians, family members, and others as requested.

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

- 1.) 60 FASD diagnostic assessments using the 4-digit FASD diagnostic code annually
- 2.) FASD intervention services (speech therapy, occupational therapy, mental health child/parent therapy)
- 3.) Weekly FASD parent/caregiver support group.
- 4.) Monthly statewide parent/caregiver support group via SKYPE or ZOOM.

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

Children/adults birth to 21 with confirmed prenatal exposure to alcohol.
60 annually thru diagnostic assessment/intervention protocol
80 annually thru parent/caregiver support group

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

100% of individuals assessed will be identified/diagnosed with the 4-digit diagnostic code
100% of individuals assessed will be given a full written diagnostic evaluation within 6 weeks of the assessment date. (FASD Clinic Director tracks all diagnostic assessments and date evaluation was sent.)
100% of all clients served will be linked to services in their local community
95% of families involved in the assessment/intervention process will express satisfaction with services
(DOH sends a client satisfaction to clients annually. The results have shown a consistent rating of "satisfied" or "highly satisfied" since 2005.

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?

The current contract with DOH has very specific financial consequences for failure to meet deliverables or performance measures as stated in the contract. The agency has not ever been under a Corrective Action Plan for this program and has never been fiscally sanctioned by the department.



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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.