



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1348

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

4. Project/Program Description

Metropolitan Ministries is seeking funds to expand an existing campus to support families in Pasco County who are homeless and at risk of becoming homeless. Metropolitan Ministries seeks to add 24 units of transformational housing for homeless families, a childcare center and family support center. The services offered in these buildings will prevent homelessness when possible, stabilize families and empower them to address barriers to self-sufficiency, including low education attainment levels, limited work experience, lack of access to childcare and transportation, poor credit, and past evictions. The facilities' services will reach 15,530 individuals annually. The need for more services directed to assist homeless families gain self-sufficiency or prevent homelessness has increased due to the economic impact of COVID-19. Additionally, before COVID-19, 45% of Pasco residents live paycheck to paycheck and do not have enough funds to meet basic monthly expenses.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?** Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	6,988,800
Total State Funds Requested	6,988,800

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	6,988,800	87%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	1,000,000	13%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	7,988,800	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21		250,000	352	Yes

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** No
- a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**
- b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**
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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

Yes

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Metropolitan Ministries has been awarded contracts totaling \$4,027,612 to provide COVID-19 direct assistance to households in need in Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas Counties. Funds have been used to assist households impacted by COVID-19 with food, rental and utility assistance, motels, and rapid rehousing.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Funds will be used to construct 24 transformational housing units, a Childcare Facility, and a Family Support Center. Buildings will serve homeless and at risk of homeless families.	6,988,800
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		6,988,800

12. Program Performance

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

Metropolitan Ministries is seeking funds to build critical facilities in Pasco County needed to house and empower homeless families to address barriers to self-sufficiency and prevent homelessness when possible. Metropolitan Ministries will build 24 units of transformational housing for homeless families, a Childcare Center and a Family Support Center on the existing campus along the State Road 19 corridor in Holiday. A total of 60 families annually will benefit from transformational housing, with at least 85% exiting to permanent housing. A total of 350 children from homeless and low-income families will have access to high quality early childcare services and out of school time programming. A total of 5,000 households will receive a service to prevent homelessness.

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

Through the construction of these facilities, 60 homeless households annually will have access to safe housing and wrap-around services leading to self-sufficiency, including case management, employment/education support, housing search and placement, counseling, healthy food, and budgeting; 350 children from homeless or low-income families will have access to quality childcare and out of school time programming; 5,000 low-income Pasco households will have access to a homeless prevention service through the Family Support Center, such as rental assistance, food, or family reunification.

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



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The facilities constructed for Miracles for Pasco will provide housing for 24 households daily or 60 households annually who will have access to direct services, including case management, employment/education assistance, trauma/recovery counseling, and healthy food; Early Childcare services for 300 children ages 0-5; out of school time programs for 50 school age children ; and homeless prevention services, for 5,000 households. Metropolitan Ministries will leverage partnerships and the generous support of the Pasco community to support the ongoing operating expenses, projected to be approximately \$15 million over the next 10 years to serve 155,300 Pasco county residents.

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

The target population for this project is homeless and at-risk of homeless households living in Pasco County. Approximately 15,530 individuals will be served annually: 180 literally homeless individuals in 60 households will be served annually through the transformational housing program; 350 children who are homeless or low-income will be served through the childcare and out of school time program; 15,000 individuals in 5,000 low-income/at-risk of homeless households will be served with homeless prevention resources through the Family Support Center.

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

1. At least 85% of a minimum of 60 families will have improved self-sufficiency. Increase on North Carolina Family Assessment Scale (NCFAS-G) from entry to exit or maintain score of 0 on self-sufficiency domain. 2. At least 80% of 60 households will exit to permanent housing. Amount of households exiting to permanent housing destinations. 3. 5,000 households will receive homeless prevention services. Amount of households provided with a homeless prevention service. 4. 300 children will have access to quality early childcare program. Amount of children attending early childcare program. 5. 50 children will have access to quality out of school time programming. Amount of children attending out of school time program.

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 the contract?

Reversion of funds.

13. 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.

Metropolitan Ministries, Inc., a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, owns the facility.



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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

15. 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

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number