



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1792

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

#### 4. Project/Program Description

Minorities for Medical Marijuana (M4MM) in partnership with ACLU of Florida aim to reduce the likelihood of black market growing and selling of marijuana by people of color. Unfortunately, the legalization of Florida's Medical Marijuana program may be interpreted as an opportunity for individuals who think growing and selling the plant on the black market may be a means to make money. Historically, individuals who have been charged with minor drug offenses have a hard time entering the job market and subsequently contemplate the "get rich" quick easy black market opportunity. We believe these individuals 18+ years old with a minor marijuana charge are prime candidates who can benefit from our expungement services program. We believe offering this service along with career exploration, work readiness, and work- force development wrap around services can counter-intuitively reduce crime and the subsequent cost related to recidivism.

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

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>250,000</b>

#### 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)	250,000	83%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	50,000	17%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?
- a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.
- b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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No

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

#### 11. 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 Director Salary.	12,500
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Program expenses, travel, supplies, technology support and infrastructure.	7,500
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Additional admin contracted services such as legal, marketing, and media.	5,000
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	Program staff salary and benefits.	30,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Direct program travel and expenses which include technology products, supplies, offsite rental space, curriculum support, postage, materials, printing, and program support.	50,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted services: legal, case management, workforce development, and mentoring.	145,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>250,000</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

In partnership with community partners such as the ACLU of Florida M4MM will provide pre-expungement qualification, expungement, and wrap around workforce development services at no cost to participants. It is our goal to offer a range of services that include case management, mentoring, education and training services to program participants for one year. The funds will be used to support expenses associated with providing these services, especially workforce development. Once participants qualify and receive expungement services we are committed to providing the support needed to help them enter the workforce in fulltime career centric positions.

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

Pre Qualification Expungement and Expungement Services: This program component will provide legal services that directly support the delivery of prequalification, expungement and diversion services. Workforce Readiness: This component will provide resume building, interviewing skills, job placement, development of cognitive and soft skills that participants will need to succeed in future jobs and that support one or more workplace competencies. Mentoring: This component will provide adult mentors for program participants. This component may include one-on-one mentoring, group mentoring, and/or service-based mentoring. Follow-up: This component will track the progress made by participants in employment and training after program.

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

Pre qualification expungement services, expungement services, case management services, workforce readiness, instruction and education, mentoring, and post follow-up.

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



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Florida residents residing in blighted communities with a high crime and poverty rate. Focusing on individuals who have an adjudication withheld charge for a minor marijuana possession. Priority services for veterans and spouses. We plan on serving 100 individuals.

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

Below are the outputs and outcomes measures we will be prepared to report on at the end of the fiscal year. Enrollment rate- the enrollment rate is defined as the number of participants enrolled in the program divided by the enrollment goal. The goal for this measure is 100%. Expungement rate-The percentage of participants receiving expungement services who have at least one charge expunged. The goal for this measure is 60%. Retention rate- The retention rate is defined as the number of enrollees employed or attending school divided by all enrollees who are at the 3-month follow-up point. The goal for this measure is 50%.

**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?**

You may consider additional fines, restitution, and/or civil penalties for failure to perform as stated.

**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.**

N/A



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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