



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1978

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Provides disproportionate share hospital (DSH) funds for Sacred Heart. Historically, this hospital received DSH funding because of its high Medicaid and charity care volumes. The only safety net in NW Florida, Sacred Heart is the 10th largest provider of Medicaid in the state and its charity care costs double that of other community hospital in the community. These funds assist the hospital in caring for our most vulnerable patients. State funding share will be provided by the local government.

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	5,400,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	5,400,000

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)	5,400,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	5,400,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	0	4,000,000	208	No

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

Total = \$13,998,775 (Pandemic support - \$12,784,136; C19 Vaccine Admin support - \$553,949; Hospital Based Screening - \$511,683; Infusion Services related to C19 - \$75,517; Pre-Procedure Pandemic Testing - \$73,487)

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	Programs that serve the poor, care for the under and uninsured in all facilities	5,400,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,400,000

12. Program Performance

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

The purpose of disproportionate share funds are to offset the high volumes of under and uninsured patients treated at safety net hospitals. Sacred Heart is the 10th largest Medicaid provider in the state and provides more than twice the amount of charity care in the region than any other hospital. These funds will enable Sacred Heart to continue its mission to serve the poor and vulnerable.

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

Sacred Heart will continue to treat uninsured patients and Medicaid patients through all sites of care as well as through population health programs, health fairs and in schools and businesses.

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

Health care services will be provided.

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

Uninsured and Medicaid patients.

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

In a local ED Diversion program, Sacred Heart partners with another hospital and the FQHC to address the social determinants of health that cause residents to frequent the emergency room for care. Through relationship building and population health strategies, the program has resulted in lower visits to the emergency rooms and an improved quality of health.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties



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for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

Repayment 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.

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