



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1496

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

As part of the national Stepping Up Initiative, to address the over-representation of people with mental illness and or substance use disorder (SUD) in the Broward County jail; to identify inmates who may be diverted into community mental health programs using standard assessment tools in the jails, linking behavioral health professionals and providers to collaborate with judges, state attorneys, and public defenders; saving \$197 daily per person by diverting from the Broward County jails; an effort towards overall improvement of lives.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	510,400
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	510,400

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	510,400	44%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	650,000	56%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	1,160,400	100%

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

Broward Behavioral Health Coalition (BBHC) received \$250,000 for COVID-19 impacted individuals experiencing mental health and substance use disorders in the community through a DCF awarded federal grant (2021).

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Stepping Up / Jail Diversion Director-administer, supervise, manage entire program, pursue expansion opportunities both pre- and post-arrest; coordinate and lead collaborative Broward Stepping Up Task Force to develop strategic data-driven plans for improvement	85,400
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Computers, software, travel costs	15,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	2 Felony Court Case Managers; 2 Felony Certified Peer Recovery Specialists-supports clients; Intake Specialist-interviews potential program participants, screens for eligibility; Care Coordinator-coordinates Jail In-Reach team, assesses risks and needs, sets appropriate level of care, plans for transition to community services.	310,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Funds to provide immediate access for community re-entry from jail, to include, but not limited to, housing, medication, medical treatment, behavioral health treatment and other ancillary services or goods needed to ensure recovery and community integration for participants that are indigent or homeless.	50,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Research/Data Specialist to assist court case managers and director with program coordination.	50,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		510,400

12. Program Performance

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

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

Inmates who qualify for the post-arrest jail diversion program are provided with individualized transition planning including linkages to community-based behavioral health treatment and support services. The Stepping Up Initiative Task Force will also review behavioral health and criminal justice systems to fill gaps and avoid incarceration for people with Mental Health disorders and/or Substance Use disorders.

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

Behavioral health assessment, drug screening, risk-needs assessment, case management to link clients to housing and behavioral health community services and peer support services.



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

Persons with poor mental health, economically disadvantaged persons, homeless persons, currently or formerly incarcerated persons, drug offenders (in criminal justice)

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

Persons with mental health concerns will be diverted from incarceration. Detailed outcome tracking will be undertaken.

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?

Efforts to meet performance measures and deliverables will be paramount to the operational plan. Failure to meet measures will be examined and justified as necessary. Processes will be re-evaluated and an improvement plan will be developed to address deficiencies.

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