



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1665

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

Adults living with chronic & severe mental illness lack the skills needed to succeed in today's workforce and thus are at a disadvantage in acquiring and maintaining gainful employment. Mental Health Clubhouses are active participants in the Recovery-Oriented System of Care (ROSC), a core strategy of Florida's Department of Children and Families (DCF). State recurring funding currently allocates \$1.8 million distributed by DCF to 14 of Florida's Mental Health Clubhouse programs to provide rehabilitation and supported employment services to individuals with severe and persistent mental health disorders. The requested state funds would provide equivalent state support for mental health rehabilitation and supported employment services to residents of four new programs in Manatee, Hillsborough, Polk and Palm Beach Counties.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	500,000	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 2023-2024	500,000	100%

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

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	1,800,000	0	367	No

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** Yes

a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**

b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**

State funding will be matched by local government and private donor support

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.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List 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.

13. 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	Two Employment Specialists salary and benefits x 4 programs (@ \$50,000 each position) to provide mental health rehabilitation and supported employment services for adults with mental health disorders.	400,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Transportation, outreach and program support expenses (\$15,000 each program) for mental health rehabilitation and supported employment services for adults with mental health disorders.	60,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Clubhouse Model Training (Comprehensive and Employment track) @ \$10,000 each x 4 programs.	40,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

14. Program Performance

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



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Supporting new Mental Health Clubhouse programs furthers the broader objective shared by DCF of ensuring that best-practice mental health and employment services continue to grow across the state for adults living with mental illnesses. Mental Health Clubhouses are active participants in the recovery-oriented system of care, a core DCF strategy. The Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSA) recognizes the Clubhouse model as a best practice.

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

State funds will support members of four new Clubhouse programs which are either already open or will open between now and the end of FY 2023-2024: Academy at Bradenton (opened July 2022); MHA Glades Clubhouse in Palm Beach County (opened July 2022); Club Success in Polk County (opens February 2023); and Tampa Clubhouse in Hillsborough County (opens July 2023).

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

Members of each of the four programs will be provided with hands-on skills training in areas such as technology, arts & graphics, videography, culinary & hospitality, customer service, and more to match to employer needs. Local businesses will be educated and recruited to provide employment to program-trained members.

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

Adults living with severe and persistent mental health illness.

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

Each of the 14 existing Mental Health Clubhouses in Florida receives approximately \$125,000 per year from DCF. This additional \$500,000 will ensure that the four new Clubhouse programs in Manatee, Hillsborough, Polk and Palm Beach counties receives the same level of state support to ensure Clubhouse training and employment programs help members secure and sustain employment in the competitive marketplace. Collective earnings by Florida Clubhouse members for the last three years 2020-2022 were \$7,309,585.

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?

Funds for deliverables not met would be returned to the State.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

16. 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



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University or College

Other (please specify) State agency

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number