

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2149

- 1. Project Title Stop Now and Plan for Dually Served Youth
- 2. Senate Sponsor Jason Brodeur
- 3. Date of Request 3/3/2025

4. Project/Program Description

Funded last FY with non-recurring funds, this request is to continue Stop Now and Plan (SNAP) evidence-based intervention to support individuals who have been deemed dually served or are at risk of becoming dually served to prevent further involvement in either system. Criteria shall be set by the Department of Juvenile Justice in conjunction with the Department of Children and Families.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Juvenile Justice

State	Agency	contacted?	Yes
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6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount	
Operating	1,000,000	
Fixed Capital Outlay	0	
Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000	

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage	
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,000,000	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 2025-2026	1,000,000	100%	

8. Has this project previously received state funding? If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	
2024-25	0	500,000	1229	No
s future-year funding likely to be requested?		Yes		

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1,000,000	

Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

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

None

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

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10. Status of Const a. What is the cu		ne project?	◯ N/A		
b. Is the project c. What is the es d. What is the es	"shovel ready" (i timated start dat stimated complet	i.e permitted)? e of construction? ion date of construct		e of the project?	

11. 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.

12. 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	Staff to provide statewide oversight, training, consultation, fidelity adherence and monitoring including benefits.	125,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Program Evaluation, consultation, licensing and fidelity adherence by Child Development Institute.	24,500
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	One site coordinator (72,100), case manager (47,380) and facilitator (57,185) per site (2) including benefits.	706,660
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Occupancy (5,400), food for participants required by model (20,000), travel (3,240), supplies (2,160), assessments (500), and equipment to run groups (2,160) per site (4). SNAP Program licensing fees (10,000),	143,840
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	1,000,000

13. Program Performance

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



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The SNAP® Youth Justice (SNAP YJ) project is based on a comprehensive implementation framework that is coordinated in Florida by the Florida Network of Youth and Family Services. It is designed to reduce the risk of further contact with the law and/or gang membership.

The SNAP YJ model is a cognitive-behavioral therapeutic strategy, designed to improve emotion regulation, self-control, and problem-solving skills. The SNAP technique, developed over the past 30 years, increases self-control and decreases delinquency. The SNAP strategy involves learning to identify physiological responses (body cues) and emotional triggers, calm your body and challenge cognitive distortions/thinking errors replacing with coping statements, in order to move forward and explore socially appropriate solutions/plans. Practice and consistent use of the SNAP strategy has resulted in increased emotional regulation, changing brain processes, and confidence in making prosocial choices.

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

13-week SNAP groups with youth that leverages technology to increase engagement and buy-in. Statewide training and facilitator oversight for staff on the SNAP model and the specific nuances of facilitation using the technology and effective facilitator competency. Ongoing statewide fidelity monitoring and adherence collection and review to ensure services meet the threshold for effective programming as identified by the developers. Consultation support that includes broad Network-wide considerations like policies and procedural changes and updates, implementation service maintenance and referral partnerships, program delivery and youth engagement strategies to ensure attendance and increased outcomes, and support for new staff delivering SNAP during their first year.

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

SNAP for Youth is a digitally-based intervention that leverages technology to create an open forum for safe and critical conversations with youth aged 12 – 17 that support them to improve self-control, decision-making, and pro-social skills. The program uses an interactive, technology-based, and scenario-based platform that allows youth to safely engage with complex and challenging situations, ensuring the standardization of facilitation. Youth will receive a risk assessment, group readiness determination, 13 weeks of evidence-based and manualized groups, and follow-up services based on individual risk and need. Caregivers will be provided information on the program, the opportunity to enhance their SNAP knowledge and skills, and the ability to participate in community/family counseling to build on their existing parenting support strategies.

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

Youth who are 12 and above and who are determined to be dually involved in both DJJ and DCF, or those youth determined to be at risk of dual involvement, as determined by criteria set by both DJJ and DCF in coordination with the Florida Network. This program is anticipated to serve 25 youth and their caregivers by each provider each year. 100 youth will be served in total each year with opportunities for increased youth served in subsequent years.

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

Youth will reduce the risk of further contact with the law and/or gang membership, increase their emotion regulation, selfcontrol and problem-solving skills, build effective community supports (education, employment, etc.), enhance their social skills and mentorship qualities, manage aggressive behaviors and anti-social attitudes, and learn how to stop and think before they act and make better choices 'in the moment'.

Youth who are dually served often present major challenges to both juvenile justice and child welfare systems. These youth are often difficult to maintain in placements and typically have poor outcomes. This project aims to provide an award winning and evidence-based model to teach youth emotion regulation, problem solving and conflict resolution skills.

In coordination with DJJ and DCF, youth served will be compared with matched youth to measure outcome effectiveness in preventing future delinquency and future dependency.

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 in the contract?

Failure to meet contract deliverables would result in nonpayment of deliverables provided and could be subject to additional financial consequences based on the total value of the contract.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? No

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?



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- □ Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- **C** Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- □ Yes, Applied
- □ Yes, Received
- 🗆 No
- □ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

- □ Yes, Applied
- □ Yes, Received
- 🗆 No

□ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

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18. Recipient Contact Information

- a. Organization Florida Network of Youth & Family Services
- b. Municipality and County Statewide



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c. Organization Type

□For Profit Entity						
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□Non Profit 501(c	:)(4)					
□Local Entity						
□University or Co	llege					
□Other (please sp	pecify)					
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