



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2946

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

FHCC member organizations will provide middle and/or high school students with the Sexual Risk Avoidance (SRA) Healthy Relationship, Marriage Prep classes to 6,000 middle and high school students in schools and youth serving facilities. The program includes five to eight hours of positive youth development/risk avoidance programs designed to enhance cognitive and social-emotional self-regulation skills, promoting healthy choices and good decision-making skills. The SRA Program equips youth with risk avoidance skills in five key areas (drugs, alcohol, sexual activity, violence, and tobacco/nicotine). It enhances the achievement of positive academic and life goals through instilling a sense of hope and future orientation and the emotional, physical, mental, social, and financial well-being that results from such hope. Students learn goal setting and implementation strategies that will be equally important for them to know as teens and adults.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	475,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	475,000

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)	475,000	98%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	9,000	2%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	484,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future-year 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.



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All member organizations receive local funds from donors, grants, and county and school governments. It is not enough to serve all students who need the program. TANF dollars should be allocated to these prevention programs to comply with F.S. 445.019.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

10. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

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?

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance 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	Project Head 10% of salary - \$8,000 + Benefits (10.5%) \$800 Benefits 7.65% for FICA ; 2.35 for W.C FUTA, SUTA	8,800
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	Project Manager \$1,200 per month = \$14,400 Benefits 7.65% FICA; 2.35% W.C., FUTA, SUTA = \$1,140	15,540
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Mileage, Office Supplies, postage, Laptop, Curriculum trainings	26,760
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contractual payments to FHCC Member organizations to provide 5 to 8 hours of Sexual Risk Avoidance (SRA), healthy relationship and marriage prep education to 6,300 students at a per student enrollment cost of \$65 per student. \$409,500 bookkeeping services @ \$25 per hour x 20 hours per month x 12 months = \$6,000 Data analyst and evaluator @ \$35 per hour x 20 hours per month x 12 months = \$8,400	423,900
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0



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Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)	475,000
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13. Program Performance

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

The overall goal is to reduce negative consequences such as trafficking, addiction, or teen pregnancy when youth become involved in high-risk activities and unhealthy relationships. Outcome # 1 – 75% of enrollees in the program will complete. (Attend 75% of the sessions.) Outcome # 2 – 75% of students taking both pre- and post-tests will demonstrate increased knowledge measuring knowledge gains in resisting peer pressure, potential consequences of risky behaviors, STD symptoms, social media safety, changes in the teen brain development that affects life-long habits and/or addictions, the relationship of single parenthood to poverty, and indicators of toxic relationships. Outcome # 3 – Post surveys will reflect attitudinal shifts regarding a positive view of their future, strategic goal setting, personal responsibility, setting boundaries, increased understanding of healthy versus toxic relationships, and the benefits of saving sexual activity and childbearing until marriage.

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

Our SRA programs are an effective youth development program emphasizing healthy choices and good decision-making skills. The key concepts addressed are: 1. Intentional Goal Setting – Key Thought: Future; 2. Choices and Consequences – Key Thought: Personal choices, Consequences, and Responsibility; 3. Your Brain Under Pressure – Key Thought: Who’s in Charge? 4. Social Pressure/Healthy Boundaries – Key Thought: Respect for Self and Others and 5. Healthy Relationships: Key Thought - Self Worth and Commitment to a Healthy Future. The program is interactive and includes incentives and "swag" with prevention messaging to enhance retention of the concepts.

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

The program will be presented in 5 to 8 sessions to youth in middle and/or high schools, youth service organizations, alternative schools, in the catchment areas of FHCC member organizations. Students will receive 5 to 8 hours (classroom periods) of direct risk avoidance instruction from trained Sexual Risk Avoidance Specialists who are also certified in REAL Essentials Healthy Relationship Education curriculum.

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

6,000 youth in middle and high school age group, in schools and various youth organizations, including detention facilities.

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

Pre- and post-tests will measure knowledge gains regarding resisting peer pressure, potential consequences of risky behaviors, STD symptoms, social media safety, changes in the teen brain development that affects life-long habits and/or addictions, the relationship of single parenthood to poverty, and indicators of toxic relationships. In addition, post surveys will measure attitudinal shifts regarding a positive view of their future, strategic goal setting, personal responsibility, setting boundaries, increased understanding of healthy versus toxic relationships, and the benefits of saving sexual activity and childbearing until marriage. The evaluator/data analyst will produce an evaluation and expected value return on investment document that can be used by other agencies for replication purposes.

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?

Reduction of the appropriated dollars for this project.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

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

- Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)



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Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

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

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

18. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

For Profit Entity



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- 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 Ext.

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.