



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3254

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Our program exists to provide food, safety, shelter and support to those who are experiencing short- or long-term adversity, and to advocate for their needs and rights and provide for social and human services to survivors of domestic violence and/or homelessness.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	308,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	308,000

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)	308,000	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	308,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	100,000	354/365A	No

9. Is future-year 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.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

10. Status of Construction



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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		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	Managerial Staff - Shelter Managers (2), Transitional Apartments Manager, Case Manager, Office Manager, IT/Maintenance Supervisor, Support Staff - Bookkeeper, Secretary, Grant Writer, Marketing and Event Coordinator. Cost of living increase \$16,500 included for all staff.	150,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Insurances, transportation, client services, extermination, sanitation services, security, household office supplies, telephone and internet service, and utilities.	158,000
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)		308,000

13. Program Performance

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

Our goal is to continue to provide essential services to the survivors of trauma due to D/V and Homelessness. Our program is in a rural area and the only other resources available are from forty to sixty miles in any direction. Our purpose is to provide emergency and transitional shelter, utilities, food, safety, education and sustainability to end the cycle of violence and homelessness for women and children.

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



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Our staff will be able to meet program expectations relative to their positions such as overseeing shelter operations concerning clients. Case manager can perform her responsibilities with clients, outside agencies, and attending court appearances with clients. Insurances on property, buildings and auto's protect staff and clients from loss or injury. Utilities, sanitation services, home and office supplies, onsite nightly management and security will ensure uninterrupted program financial deliverables.

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

Focused services directly to client's are education classes to include parenting, budgeting, D/V and anger management cycles, and developing coping skills due to experienced trauma. Further services include nutritional education, gardening, animal husbandry and retailing skills of agricultural products. Transportation to and from employment, medical, shopping and local events are provided. Housekeeping, laundering, and meal planning are a few of the life skills services taught to clients and their children.

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

Target populations are, jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, homeless women and children, Preschool thru High school students, formerly incarcerated persons, and victims of crimes.

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

Outcomes are, to aid in the process of producing a more physically, emotionally and spiritually healthier individual, mother and families who have regained their sense of self-worth, self-assuredness and self-reliance. Our methodology is through the use of counselors and teachers progress notes, clients' behaviors and attitudes, willingness to participate in program goals, applying new skills learned, ability to make and safe money, and interactions with other clients. A benefit of supporting this program is the reduction in recidivism behaviors.

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?

Penalty would include reimbursement of state funds.

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)
- 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#:



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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
- 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



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b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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