

## The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1061

1. Project Title	Fostering Our Future: Faith-based Support for Children & Families in Foster Care
2. Senate Sponsor	Jason Brodeur
3. Date of Request	01/13/2023
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### 4. Project/Program Description

To expand foster care family wrap around services in Jacksonville and Central Florida, as well as areas in the immediate surrounding counties where resources bleed over, and implement the 100 Families Initiative Model providing holistic, real-time case management to coordinate existing community resources including housing, job training, mentoring, childcare, health care, clothes, and any additional services needed to help struggling families move from crisis to stability.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds		Department of Children and Families
State Agency contacted?	Yes	

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	750,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	750,000

### 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)	750,000	69%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	336,000	31%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	1,086,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

Yes

750,000

Fiscal Year	I Year Amount		Specific	Vetoed	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #		
2022-23	0	500,000	315A	No	

. Is future funding likely to be requested?	2022-23	0	500,000	315A	No	
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b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

Fostering Our Future at Grace Landing, Inc. will continue to fund at scale one-third of its operating costs from local communities.

10. Has the entity	requesting this	project received any	/ federal assistance	related to the	COVID-19	pandemic?
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No
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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 0	Construction			
a. What is	the current pha	se of the project?		
OPlanni	ng ODesigr	Construction		
b. Is the pr	oject "shovel r	eady" (i.e permitted)?		
c. What is	the estimated s	tart date of construction?		
d. What is	the estimated o	completion date of construction?	•	
		cility to receive, directly or indire cowners of the facility and the e		outlay funding. Include the
N/A				

### 13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description		
Administrative Costs:			
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	To maintain one executive director to provide executive agency-wide leadership, management, and program administration. To hire a project head ReStore HopeFL Duval Coordinator and project head ReStore HopeFL Orange Coordinator.	255,000	
Other Salary and Benefits	Salary for Director of Business Operations.	75,000	
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Media; CMS/LXP; Public relationship coalition building; printing; online marketing; bookkeeping/ reporting/ business operations/ annual compliance; travel/ 2023 Family Advocacy Conference; office rent.	103,300	
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0	
Operational Costs: Other			
Salary and Benefits	5 operational employees; 2 case managers for 100 Families Duval County and surrounding area; 2 case managers for 100 Families Orange County and surrounding area; Director of Permanency/Legal Team.	310,000	
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Train and license new caregiver settings; recruit and certify Implementers; implement faith-community-based pre service and inservice curriculum; recruit volunteers and foster parents from churches; recruit churches to register to use CarePortal software.	6,700	
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)	750,000	

### 14. Program Performance



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#### 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?

Recruit, train and equip local churches to respond to children/families at imminent risk of entering the FL foster care system and build quality foster home capacity in an evidence-based manner. We will provide the following: 1) Basic goods and caregiver support to keep children safe at home with biological, kinship, or foster family, 2) Pre-service training and certification and 3) a case management to coordinate existing community resources including housing, job training, mentoring, childcare, health care, clothes, and any additional services needed to stabilize struggling families.

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

Professionally managed volunteers provide individual caregiver support and help case managers locally source a family plan that provides basic goods and services directly to caregivers -- ex. baby-sitting; respite care; transportation; invitations to regularly scheduled (formal) and unscheduled (informal) social-networking event; training, self-growth and improvement sessions.

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

The target population served by this project is economically disadvantaged persons and at-risk youth. 201-400 individuals are expected to be served.

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

The program gets children to permanency faster -- whether to family members, their parents, or adoption – and has a 90% foster parent retention rate with zero cases of substantiated child maltreatment. Progress is measured through longitudinal study of caregivers and their children.

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 will be returned to the State.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name

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Last Name

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b. Organization

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c. E-mail Address

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16. Recipient Contact Information

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a. Organization Grace Landing, Inc.

b. Municipality and County Duval

c. Organization Type

□For Profit Entity

✓ Non Profit 501(c)(3)



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□Non Profit 501(c	:)(4)							
□Local Entity	□Local Entity							
□University or Co	□University or College							
□Other (please sp	pecify)							
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e. E-mail Address								
f. Phone Number	(770)315-4207							
Lobbyist Contact I	nformation							
a. Name	None							
b. Firm Name	None							
c. E-mail Address								
d. Phone Number								