



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1805

1. Project Title
2. Senate Sponsor
3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

There are an estimated 20,000 unsolved homicides in Florida and we provide advocacy for the families of those victims. We host a database of cases (already started), provide training for establishing cold case units where they don't exist, and provide consulting with experienced cold case detectives.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds
- State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250,000	57%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	140,000	32%
Local	0	0%
Other	50,000	11%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	440,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	0	150,000	1248	No

9. Is future 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.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.



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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% of the Executive Director's salary will be included in this funding to cover costs associated with administrative duties and non-direct services to victims families	37,500
Other Salary and Benefits	401K match for staff	15,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Accountant	17,500
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Communications director to handle all community and law enforcement outreach along with social media management. Intake coordinator to handle all new families in identifying needs.	90,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Traveling to law enforcement agencies and conferences for training. Updates computers, office supplies and training materials.	30,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Mental health counseling services for staff self-care, facilitated support meeting and events. Awareness video production.	60,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		250,000

14. Program Performance

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

A safer Florida by helping solve cold cases. Fewer survivors requiring state funding assistance due to counseling and resolution in their cases. Added jobs for a better economy. An effort by all to assure public safety but getting criminal off the streets.

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



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We will hold trainings, speak at conferences and assist in reviewing cold cases for any and all law enforcement agency in the state. We will provide contracted mental health professionals to help families affected by the loss of a loved one to an unsolved homicide.

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

Raised awareness for their loved ones cases. Fresh eyes on the cases. Individual and group facilitated counseling.

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

Victims of crime - specifically families of unsolved homicide victims. With 20,000 unsolved murders in Florida, and each victim averaging 2-4 survivors we have the potential to assist 40-80 thousand survivors. However, realistically we won't have the staff for all of them and will likely serve well over 1,000.

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

Safer communities, better mental health for victims' family members. Added jobs. We continue services to these survivors and track employment and mental health progress.

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?

Repayment of funds.

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
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

- d. First Name Last Name
- e. E-mail Address
- f. Phone Number



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17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name	<input type="text" value="None"/>
b. Firm Name	<input type="text" value="None"/>
c. E-mail Address	<input type="text"/>
d. Phone Number	<input type="text"/>