



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 3199

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Matching funds for the Miami-Dade County Peace & Prosperity Fit2Lead after-school and summer paid internship program and to expand the number of post-secondary educational and vocational scholarships, specifically targeting at-risk and justice-involved youth. In Spring and Summer of 2021, Miami-Dade County saw a sharp increase of community violence, particularly gun violence, permeate throughout its communities, mirroring similar disturbing trends in major cities and counties throughout the country. In response to this epidemic, Miami-Dade County immediately implemented a multi-faceted response including the development of the Peace & Prosperity Plan and the deployment of Operation Community Shield, and the establishment of the Community Violence Intervention Initiative.

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                         | 2,375,000        |
| Fixed Capital Outlay               | 0                |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested</b> | <b>2,375,000</b> |

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)       | 2,375,000        | 50%         |
| <b>Matching Funds</b>                                |                  |             |
| Federal  | 0                | 0%          |
| State (excluding the amount of this request)         | 0                | 0%          |
| Local  | 2,375,000        | 50%         |
| Other  | 0                | 0%          |
| <b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b> | <b>4,750,000</b> | <b>100%</b> |

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

| Fiscal Year<br>(yyyy-yy) | Amount    |              | Specific<br>Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                          | Recurring | Nonrecurring |                             |        |
|                          |           |              |                             |        |

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?**



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Yes

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

\$1,419,320,111.50 to provide financial aid to, among others, small businesses, veterans, senior meals, restaurants, hotel workers, first responders, landlords, low-income tenants, nonprofits, and day care centers; county services and also direct distributions to Miami-Dade municipalities.

## 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           |
|--|---|------------------|
| <b>Administrative Costs:</b>   |   |                  |
| Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits                    |   | 0                |
| Other Salary and Benefits  |   | 0                |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other                                |   | 0                |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study                                  |   | 0                |
| <b>Operational Costs: Other</b>  |   |                  |
| Salary and Benefits  |   | 0                |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other                                | Implement new and expand existing youth programs to serve at-risk and justice-involved youth in paid internships, character/leadership activities, and experiential learning opportunities; remove barriers to education by expanding the number of post-secondary scholarships to pay for books, tuition, transportation and other items for youth to attend accredited colleges and vocational programs; and provide best-practice interventions, such as mental wellness and family support services | 2,375,000        |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study                                  |   | 0                |
| <b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>                    |   |                  |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering                      |   | 0                |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b> |   | <b>2,375,000</b> |



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#### 14. Program Performance

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

Miami-Dade County, through its Police Department and its Office of Neighborhood Safety, has continuously focused on implementing innovative and sustainable solutions to reduce community violence, including gun violence. In 2021, a collective strategy was developed and employed to address this crisis locally, including the Peace & Prosperity Plan and Operation Community Shield. Funds will be used to achieve the following goals:

- . Expand youth paid after-school and summer internship opportunities (serve 350 additional at-risk and justice involved youth)
- . Double the number of scholarships for college and vocational training-eligible youth/young adults (150 \$2,500 scholarships).

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

This program brings together coordinated expertise from the County's parks, police, social services, and juvenile justice departments to provide paid internships and comprehensive wraparound services to at-risk youth and members in their household. These funds will be utilized to provide youth employment (wages), enrichment activities such as fishing and financial literacy, experiential learning, character development activities, uniforms, and background screening. During the school year students will work 12 hours per week and in the summer, hours will increase to 25 or more per week. Funds will also be used to provide 150 \$2,500 post-secondary education scholarships via an application process.

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

- The funding will allow for:
- . The creation of additional paid internship opportunities for at-risk and justice-involved youth during the summer and school year. Internship host sites include various County departments, schools, and non-profit organizations. Youth will also engage in diverse activities to build social emotional learning awareness, professional relationships, environmental consciousness and financial responsibility.
  - . An increase in the number of college and vocational training scholarships provided to at-risk and justice involved youth/young adults directly and indirectly impacted by gun violence.

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

Miami-Dade County youth, with a keen focused on at-risk and justice-involved youth.

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

Increased number of at-risk and justice involved youth participating in paid internships and professional mentorship; enhance youth employability skills; reduction in justice-involved youth re-offending; post-secondary education enrollment; justice-involved youth successfully completing diversion program and/or successfully closing their case with the Juvenile Services Department. Pre and post evidenced-based assessments, arrest/rearrest data, case reviews (aggregate), and participant surveys.

##### 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 could be provided on a reimbursement basis after services are performed.

#### 15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name  Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.

#### 16. Recipient Contact Information



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**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**

**17. Lobbyist Contact Information**

**a. Name**

**b. Firm Name**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**