



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1761

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Funding will help to expand programming and support for 200 individuals with disabilities; enhance their self-advocacy, adaptive, vocational, work preparation and/or social skills through instruction and/or hands-on training. Funds would be used to maintain or expand a degreed, credentialed and professional staff with skill sets required to provide services listed above; with decreasing/limited funding, the opportunity for people with disabilities to learn life skills and become vocationally/economically independent will not occur.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted? No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	300,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	300,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	300,000	35%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	175,000	21%
Local	198,283	24%
Other	170,000	20%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	843,283	100%

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

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	0	300,000	26	No

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** No

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?**

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 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?

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
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Funding will help to expand programming for 200 individuals with disabilities, to support coaches, instructors, paraprofessionals, Direct Service Professionals, and support staff. HabCenter depends on these dedicated individuals to deliver programmatic instruction, pre-vocational and vocational training, and other hands-on training, as well as to facilitate enrichment activities for individuals with lifelong disabilities and mental health issues.	300,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
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)		300,000

14. Program Performance

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



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Program funding will help to expand services and programming for 200 individuals with developmental differences and mental health challenges; enhance their self-advocacy, adaptive, vocational, work preparation, and social skills through instruction and hands-on training. Funds would be used to maintain or expand our team of degreed, credentialed, and skilled professionals capable of providing the services listed above. With decreasing or limited funding, the opportunity for people with disabilities to acquire essential life skills and achieve vocational and economic independence will be hindered.

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

Comprehensive, individually tailored vocational training, supported employment, or support services aim to equip individuals with disabilities with the necessary skills and knowledge to enhance their self-help, adaptive, and social skills, ultimately enabling them to secure and maintain competitive jobs within the community.

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

Provide an opportunity for individuals with lifelong disabilities and mental health issues to achieve vocational and economic independence through instruction and hands-on training tailored to each client's individual educational goals, along with vocational work preparation services.

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

Developmentally disabled individuals, elderly persons, persons with poor mental health, persons with poor physical health, jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, developmentally disabled, physically disabled, victims of crime.
101-200 individuals served.

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

Numbers of hours of physical activity, which will improve fine motor skills or gross motor skills, will be tracked; will provide an average of 100 participants hours per month of physical activity, which will improve fine motor skills or gross motor skills 70% of those served will increase their ability to cope with situations that arise during the workday, quarterly reporting on the progress of goals which are determined upon clients' annual meeting; increase clients' ability to cope with situations that arise during the workday. Tracking daily client attendance, quarterly reporting of progress on goals, 70% of those served will meet their individual educational goals.

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?

Implementation of Corrective Action Plan.

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



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- 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