



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3649

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Supportive Housing Project for Veterans. Not only will the veterans be housed but they will be provided access to wrap around services to stabilize the veterans and move them into self sufficiency. Case management, mentoring, resource and referral services, drug and alcohol support programs, employment related services and assistance to apply for programs they may be entitled too.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	200,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	300,000
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

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)	500,000	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 2024-2025	500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	3,000,000	595A	No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

Private donations, foundations and local donors, veterans groups and churches.

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

No

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
 N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

September 2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

April 2025

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.

Home Again St Johns Inc- Relationship between the owners and the entity is one in the same.

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	Onsite case managers for veterans in permanent supportive housing, as well as an all night manager.	120,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Computers, office equipment, travel and supplies, and start up monies for inaugural year.	80,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Renovation-Windows are very outdated and it presents a safety concern. New Impact windows are needed as the motel is on Anastasia Island. We will be hardening up the building, additional work on parking lot, handicap spaces, etc. to name a few. The facility is in a low lying area and requires hardening up against future storms.	300,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

14. Program Performance

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

Funds will be used to provide intensive case management to veterans entering into our supportive housing units. Funds will also be used to replace all the windows with impact windows in the motel and miscellaneous repairs/modifications and provide safe, affordable shelter for our veterans.



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

Provide subsidized shelter for our veterans, Case Management, Resource and Referral Services, Employment related services, assistance with applying for benefits they may be entitled too. We have mentors that will work with the veterans if they so choose to help them stabilize and be successful in housing.

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

Shelter our veterans in a safe, clean and affordable housing unit. Veterans will have the opportunity to work with an onsite case manager to ease their transition from being homeless to becoming housed. The case manager will assist them in connecting with all the resources they need to stabilize. We plan to employ veterans if at all possible because who better to understand what our clients are going through. We expect to house between 22 - 44 homeless veterans, excluding sexual predators and sex offenders as we are within 1,000 feet of a daycare center and small school.

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

Veterans which may include; the elderly, persons with poor mental health, persons with poor physical health, jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, homeless, physically disabled, currently or formerly incarcerated persons, drug offenders, victims of crime and/or drug users in treatment.

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

The veteran will stabilize and maintain housing permanently; whether they stay at Veterans Village or move to permanent housing in the community. The veteran will improve their physical and mental health, improve the quality of their education, improve job opportunities, economic self sufficiency, reduce recidivism, reduce substance abuse, divert from the criminal justice system and end homelessness for our veterans. Outcomes will be measured by reduction in ER visits and hospital stays, reduction in Baker Acts, increase the number of veterans in program activities, reduction in the number of homeless veterans, provide housing and wrap around services to maintain employment, increase the number of veterans that have increased their income and remained housed, increase the number of veterans that have made successful reentry into the community, reduce the number of veterans in our criminal justice system and reduce the number of shelter stays for veterans.

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?

Suggested penalties if warranted would be to take a percentage of the loss of the deliverables against the to the grant amount.

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)



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- 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