



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1370

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

Arc Marion provides a continuum of programs that address the needs of adults with cognitive disabilities at varying levels of acuity and need, supporting each as they grow to live their best lives and reach their highest potential. At one end are adults who are capable of largely independent living and/or private employment, who may receive modest and periodic support to maintain safety or overcome specific challenges. At the other end are adults, many of them now seniors, whose impairments are so profound as to require 1:1 services and residential care. In between, transportation services enable both residential and non-residential consumers to receive day training and enrichment opportunities at the Arc-Marion training center.

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

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	536,092
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	536,092

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)	536,092	16%
Matching Funds		
Federal	526,304	15%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	1,776,396	51%
Local	0	0%
Other	613,946	18%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	3,452,738	100%

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

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific 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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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	Funds will underwrite the salary, taxes and fringe benefit costs associated with staff providing direct services to Arc-M clients. These include residential, training and transportation staff, as well as part-time staff providing enrichment services to consumers.	536,092
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)		536,092

14. Program Performance

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



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Funds awarded will help Arc-Marion (Arc-M) recover the capacity to sustain its operations through a mix of awarded and earned revenues, as it had for over 50 years before COVID-19 emerged. As people withdrew from group activities to avoid the virus, participation and attendance in the Adult Day Training (ADT) program fell precipitously. The resulting - \$200,000 deficit in 2020 more than doubled in 2021 to over \$481,000, a level of loss that imperils the viability of all of Arc-M's programs. Other programs at risk include residential care for the most fragile and dependent of the people we serve.

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

Funds will enable Arc-M to provide 1) education and training that is responsive to individual capacity and aspiration, from the skills associated with independent living to the behaviors and social skills required to gain and sustain employment. 2) residential services to some who leave each day to participate in training and others: whose disability is so profound that only compassionate care and constant supervision can address their needs 3) transportation that enables both residential and non-residential consumers to participate in education, training, and enrichment programming as they are able and desire to do so.

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

At one end of the service continuum, group residential services will provide 24/7 care, including 1:1 service as; needed, to adults who may be severely impacted by their cognitive limitations. The residential program also provides consumers who may be living independently in community-based housing the case management, guidance and intermittent assistance to live safely and securely in their own unit. ADT services include basic life skills, e.g. cooking or hygiene tasks, skills leading to possible employment and enrichment activities, e.g. painting, crafts. Transportation to ADT services is provided to both residential and non-residential consumers.

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

The target population for Arc-M's services are adults challenged by developmental cognitive disabilities, who require specialized training and services in order to achieve their highest level of functioning and dignity. Increasingly, a large percentage of these are elderly, as improvements in health outcomes for this population lead many to outlive family caregivers and require residential support as they age..

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

The survival of an organization that has served cognitively disabled people for six decades is the desired outcome of any support provided. Beyond that, Arc-Marion intends to seek appropriate licensure that will; enable it to resume delivering employment-related training, services and support to those among that population who are capable of earning income from employment. The status of those two objectives will serve as the measure of success achieved.

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?

As the outcome objectives identified above represent broad and/or existential goals for the organization, punitive penalties for failing to achieve those objectives would not appear to be appropriate. The damage to the organization, which could be as serious and the ending of services, would be worse than any punitive measure the state could take.

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



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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