

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Housing Solutions Council - Housing That Works
2. Date of Submission: 10/09/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: Toby Overdorf
Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
If answer to 4a is "No" skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d, Col. E
- b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request:

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2019-20 <i>(If appropriated in 2019-20 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2020-21 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)</i>		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated <i>(Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)</i>	Recurring Base Budget <i>(Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)</i>	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds <i>(Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E.)</i>
Input Amounts:					250,000	250,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2020-21? No
 - 5a. If yes, which state agency?
 - 5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested? Department of Economic Opportunity
 - 5c. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? No
 - 5d. Describe penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures which the agency should provide in its contract to administer the funding if appropriated.

If neither 1. an affordable housing development not commenced by 2021-2022 either by the Housing Solutions Council (HSC) joint venture or by a development partner contracted to build affordable housing OR 2. No local city or county policy changes or solutions city or county level have been made to allow for others to build/create affordable housing solutions as a direct result of the work of the HSC, then the HSC will return all unused funds.

6. Requester:

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7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project:

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- b. Organization: Housing Solutions Council
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8. Is there a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project?

- a. Name: None
- b. Firm: None
- c. Email:
- d. Phone #:

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Housing Solutions Council
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Martin
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Martin, St. Lucie

10. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds? (Select one)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)

- Local Government
- University or College
- Other (Please describe)

11. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds being requested?

To hire a staff member to conduct the business of the Housing Solutions Council on a full time basis in order to manage the process to develop multi family housing that is affordable to members of our workforce. To educate and collaborate with local community leaders to create innovative housing solutions to solve the need for affordable housing for low to moderate income earners who make just over the eligibility threshold for government subsidies, yet far too little to afford market rents.

12. Provide specific details on how funds will be spent. (Select all that apply)

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. E) Enter "0" if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Salaries and benefits to be used to hire an Executive Director to run the organization and for Project Management to develop affordable housing.	75,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits	Part-time administrative support staff	15,000
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Expenses to cover travel, training, office supplies and the cost of doing business (P.O. Box, printing, etc.).	10,000

	Creation and web maintenance.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Fees to cover the cost of consultants/CPA to manage Finances and to cover the costs of contracted services for soft costs to get our first project started, including fess toward any required studies	50,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Toward the cost to begin construction and land planning. The HSC will seek to secure funding from other sources such as FHFC	100,000
TOTAL		250,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue (In Question 12, category “h. Fixed Capital Outlay” was selected), what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (Select one correct option)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government (e.g., police, fire or local government buildings, local roads, etc.)
- State agency owned facility (For example: college or university facility, buildings for public schools, roads in the state transportation system, etc.)
- Other (Please describe)

14. Is the project request an information technology project?

No

15. Is there any documented show of support for the requested project in the community including public hearings, letters of support, major organizational backing, or other expressions of support?

Yes

15a. Please Describe:

We have met with each of our County and City Commissioners, Senator Gayle harrerell and House Representative Toby Overdorf. We have also presented to our local CRA Board that voted to support our mission and projects to serve our workforce. We have presented at both the City of Stuart and The Martin County Board of County Commissioners. All we have met with support our goals.

16. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?

Yes

16a. Please Describe:

The need for affordable workforce housing has been documented by a study consucted by the National Low Income Housing Coalition-- Out of Reach study conducted annually and documnts the nedd in our area. Additionally the United Way of Martin and St. Lucie Counties conducted a study highlighting the need to assist working members of our community in the ALICE studdy (Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed) stating over 38% of our workforce is struggling due to high cost of housing & healthcar

17. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?

Yes

17a. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the purpose of the funds?

Housing that is financially feasible, meaning it will cost no more than 30% of the household income--will be developed to serve members of the workforce in Martin & St. Lucie Counties of low to moderate income levels. Funds will also be used to educate the community and advocate for plicy change that will allow others to build/renovate to create more housing stock that is affordable to members of our workforce.

17b. Describe the direct services to be provided to the citizens by the funding requested.

Attainable and affordable housing.

17c. Describe the target population to be served (i.e., "the majority of the funds requested will serve these target populations or groups.").

Select all that apply to the target population:

- Elderly persons
- Persons with poor mental health
- Persons with poor physical health
- Jobless persons
- Economically disadvantaged persons
- At-risk youth
- Homeless
- Developmentally disabled
- Physically disabled

- Drug users (in health services)
- Preschool students
- Grade school students
- High school students
- University/college students
- Currently or formerly incarcerated persons
- Drug offenders (in criminal Justice)
- Victims of crime
- General (The majority of the funds will benefit no specific group)
- Other (Please describe): Housing provided will benefit members of our workforce and may include any of the above

17d. How many in the target population are expected to be served?

- < 25
- 25-50
- 51-100
- 101-200
- 201-400
- 401-800
- >800

18. What benefits or outcomes will be realized by the expenditure of funds requested? (Select each Benefit/Outcome that applies)

Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health	Stress related mental health issues are linked to the stressors that come with the inability to afford basic needs such as housing and healthcare. Providing individuals safe, quality housing they can afford will decrease the anxiety and depression that often comes with these type stressors	Survey residents.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience	It is our goal to provide mixed income	With a goal to include a community

	level rental housing that will increase the opportunity for members of our community of different cultural and socio-economic backgrounds to live amongst each other.	room and create opportunities for residents to meet and share ideas on a monthly basis (similar to mixed income apartment community models implemented in other states like Virginia) we would have participants complete a survey to share how these connections may have assisted them.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	Our developments will be managed by reputable property management company and will provide quality housing in a safe neighborhood and will be environmentally friendly.	Monitor and track incidences, criminal and otherwise on a monthly basis for review annually
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions	Our goal is to provide housing with a high walkability factor and in areas accessible to the community and to work. This will decrease the need for travel from county to county as members of the community will be able to live and work in the same community	Survey the residents living in our developments on transportation decrease or increase after moving in.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	Members living in our developments will have more money to spend in their local economy for health care, education, entertainment, etc. as they will no longer be spending over	Survey members on spending habits comparatively prior to living in financially feasible housing.

	30% of their household incomes on housing alone.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency	The decrease in household income spent on housing will allow members to become more economically self-sufficient and less likely to need subsidy elsewhere. It will also decrease the fear of becoming homeless and increase one's ability to cover other much needed costs, such as healthcare.	Survey residents on financial stability.
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2020-21 from all sources of funding (Enter "0" if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in
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			writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	250,000	2.8%	N/A
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	750,000	8.3%	No
4. Local:	0	0.0%	No
5. Other:	8,000,000	88.9%	No
TOTAL	9,000,000	100%	

20. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

No