

# Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

## For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Pinellas County Youth Advocate Program
2. Date of Submission: 11/04/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: James Grant  
Members Copied:

### 4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes  
***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? 2019-20
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No
- 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>	<b>Additional Nonrecurring Request</b>	<b>TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds</b>  <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		500,000	500,000

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 Juvenile Justice
  - 5c. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? Yes
  - 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.  
Should performance measures not be met, corrective action plans may be effectuated, or the contract and funding may be terminated

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Donna Silva
- b. Organization: Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.
- c. Email: dsilva@yapinc.org
- d. Phone #: (912)272-7955

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

- a. Name: Donna Silva
- b. Organization: Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.
- c. Email: dsilva@yapinc.org
- d. Phone #: (912)272-7955

8. Is there a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project?

- a. Name: Tanya Jackson
- b. Firm: PinPoint Results LLC
- c. Email: Tanya@pinpointresults.com
- d. Phone #: (850)445-0107

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Pinellas
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Pinellas

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?

The Youth Advocate Programs (YAP) wraparound advocacy and support services will help approximately 75-80 Pinellas County high risk youth annually who are juvenile justice involved or at risk of system involvement avoid detention/institutional placement and live productively in their homes, schools and communities. Reduces recidivism; decreases criminal/truancy/negative behaviors; increases academic and vocational engagement of high-risk youth/young adults. Saves lives & money; improves community

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 type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits	Administrative office functions including mandatory reporting and record keeping; confidentiality of data and communications.	2,677
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Transportation, insurance, office supplies, building rental and training	45,455
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	Program Director, Coordinator and Advocates providing client services including home visits, oversight of Advocates and administrative backup.	376,365
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Transportation, insurance, craft and office supplies, building rental, ancillary fund, training, activity fund	75,503

	and supported work.	
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		500,000

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:

YAP meets needs identified by FL Department of Juvenile Justice and 6th Judicial Circuit for community-based services as alternatives to out of home placements for high risk youth. 2015 Pinellas Co Detention Utilization Study documented need and disparate impact on minority youth. YAP has a positive history of partnering with local governments and courts. Participating parents' letters of support available and other community partners' endorsements are forthcoming.

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:

Independent studies such as the 2015 Pinellas County Utilization Study support the need in Pinellas County for quality community based programs as preventative measures and diversionary alternatives to residential detention services.

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?

Evidence based/informed, age appropriate, gender specific services include intake/assessment, individualized service plans, mentoring, life skills, family engagement, career development, supported work. Culturally sensitive activities: relationship building; resilience/character dev./accountability; employability / vocational; academic support; community service/restitution opportunities/court accompaniment; anger/conflict management; literacy/money mgt; health / nutrition; transportation.

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

Diversion from criminal/juvenile justice system involvement; Improved academic engagement, family involvement, and mental/emotional/physical health awareness; Enhanced economic self-sufficiency through career and vocational development; Reduced recidivism, criminal behaviors, school suspensions and truancy. YAP connects youth/families to sustainable resources; 24/7 crisis aid. Can serve youth with relevant needs who relocate to FL from storm-ravaged islands.

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)

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health	Nutrition planning and obesity prevention. Each youth will engage in age appropriate healthy living initiatives.	Monitoring of and transportation to medical appointments. Each youth will receive monitoring and transportation assistance.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health	Nutrition planning and obesity prevention. Each youth will engage in age appropriate healthy living initiatives.	Monitoring of and transportation to medical appointments. Each youth will receive monitoring and transportation assistance.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience	Each youth will be educated on how to expand their cultural awareness, and will be exposed to diverse cultural experiences including food, music and customs.	Youth will visit the library with YAP advocates, get a library card, tour and be interactively instructed on resources available. Youth will be exposed to at least four community events.

<input type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education	Tutoring services / study skills will be facilitated for each student failing or at risk in core subjects. Youth will be evaluated re underlying causes, including risks associated with truancy.	Improvement compared to preintervention; improvement in on-time and overall school participation/attendance/performance
<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.)	Decrease rates of future involvement with legal system; decrease rates of future alternative school and institutional placements; decrease number of new offenses.	Measured by court, school and DJJ records and reporting at time of YAP program discharge; at six and 12 months out.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities	Hire staff from communities served.	Hire new advocates from Pinellas County.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency	Through training, increase awareness and ability to search for educational opportunities and jobs. Help clients compose a marketable resume for employment or academic purposes.	Increased understanding of advanced education / job requirements and etiquette as measured by youth discussions and progress.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism	Decrease rates of future involvement with legal system; decrease rates of future alternative school and institutional placements; decrease	Measured by court, school and DJJ records and reporting at time of YAP program discharge; at six and 12 months out.

	number of new offenses.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse	Increase education on substance abuse awareness among participating youth and compliance with attending mental health appointments.	Education provided during program involvement. Transportation provided to youth to appointments as needed. Increases in compliance in attendance at substance use / behavioral health counseling.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system	YAP engaged youth with at least two future criminal / juvenile justice indicators are more likely to be diverted from justice system involvement and incarceration.	YAP engaged youth with high probability of justice involvement diverted from the justice system as measured by DJJ specifications, court records and YAP discharge and post discharge surveys.
<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 writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	500,000	91.7%	N/A
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No

3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local:	0	0.0%	No
5. Other:	45,500	8.3%	Yes
TOTAL	545,500	100%	

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

Yes

20a. How much state funding would be requested after 2020-21 over the next 5 years?

- <1M
- 1-3M
- >3-10M
- >10M

20b. How many additional years of state support do you expect to need for this project?

- 1 year
- 2 years
- 3 years
- 4 years
- >= 5 years

20c. What is the total project cost for all years including all federal, local, state, and any other funds? Select the single answer which best describes the total project cost. If funds requested are for ongoing services or for recurring activities, select "ongoing activity".

- ongoing activity – no total cost
- <1M
- 1-3M
- >3-10M
- >10M