

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Project Cold Case
2. Date of Submission: 11/06/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: Cord Byrd
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>	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:		150,000	150,000		150,000	150,000

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 Law Enforcement
 - 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.
Loss of Funding

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Ryan Backmann
- b. Organization: Project Cold Case, Inc.
- c. Email: ryanb@projectcoldcase.org
- d. Phone #: (904)514-9847

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

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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: Project Cold Case, Inc.
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Duval
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Statewide

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?

Funds will be used to create job openings (law enforcement liaison and communications director) for non-direct services to families of unsolved homicide victims, an underserved crime victim population in Florida. Funds will also be used to travel to law enforcement agencies across the state for advocacy and training.

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	50% of the Executive Director's salary will be included in this funding to cover costs associated with administrative duties and non-direct services to victims families.	30,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits	Communications officer to handle, scheduling of outreach with law enforcement, trainings and media inquiries.	40,000
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	Law enforcement liaison to work with detectives on cold case strategies, setting up a cold case unit, reviewing cases and offering expertise.	40,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Traveling to law enforcement agencies and conferences for	4,000

	training.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Mental health counseling services for staff self-care, facilitated support meeting and events. Marketing services	36,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		150,000

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 letters of support from survivors, Sheriffs, State Attorneys, Crime Stoppers, Lawmakers, Private Businesses, Mayors and many victim serving professionals.

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

No

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?

There are an unknown number of unsolved homicides in Florida and we look to quantify that number and then provide a database of cases (already started), provide training for establishing cold case units where they don't exist, and provide consulting with experienced cold case detectives.

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

A safer Florida by helping solve cold cases. Fewer survivors requiring state funding assistance due to counseling and resolution in their cases. Added jobs for a better economy.

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 type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health	Many of our survivors suffer from PTSD and other effects related to the trauma of losing a loved one to a homicide. Those issues are complicated by the fact that the who and why questions remain.	By providing cold case options to law enforcement we create a higher probability of solving cases. By providing support, both peer and professionally led, to survivors we work to restore their desire to move back to contributing members of our community.
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience		
<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.)	With an estimated 15,000 unsolved murders in Florida since 1980 there is significant opportunity to protect the	Providing law enforcement with tools, trainings and technology to solve old cases.

	public from these killers striking again. This is no doubt a public safety issue.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	We have seen dozens of survivors come through our doors jobless, broke and hopeless. The fact that our organization exists gives them hope, and as we provide healthy ways of coping, healing and acceptance their motivation comes back. They go back to work and go off social programs.	We collect data on our survivors in an attempt to provide them the best services. Information about jobs and medication is tracked to measure success.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism	Numbers of unsolved murders in Florida could easily damage tourism.	By solving those murders and shifting angry survivors to a healthier outlook we avoid that potential negative outlook on our state.
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency	Many of our survivors do not work and collect Social Security or disability due to PTSD. We have already helped countless survivors come off disability and rejoin the workforce.	We track job information while doing intake for our survivors.
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse	Many of our survivors have turned to substance abuse to cope with their tragedy.	Our services provide an alternative to substance abuse by accepting, listening and helping these individuals, including with prescribed mental health medication.

<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 writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	150,000	53.6%	N/A
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	95,000	33.9%	Yes
4. Local:	35,000	12.5%	No
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	280,000	100%	

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

No