

# Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

## For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: The ALPHA House of Pinellas County: Protecting Mothers and Babies from Human Trafficking

2. Date of Submission: 11/04/2019

3. House Member Sponsor: Chris Latvala

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### 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>	<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:					363,480	363,480

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 Children and Families

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 ALPHA House of Pinellas County not be able to meet deliverables or performance measures the contracting agency may want to consider not funding the organization for additional requests.

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Jennifer Stracick
- b. Organization: ALPHA House of Pinellas County, Inc
- c. Email: jstracick@alphahousepinellas.org
- d. Phone #: (727)687-0168

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

- a. Name: Jennifer Stracick
- b. Organization: ALPHA House of Pinellas County, Inc
- c. Email: jstracick@alphahousepinellas.org
- d. Phone #: (727)687-0168

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

- a. Name: Carole Duncan
- b. Firm: CLD & Associates, LLC
- c. Email: carolecl@aol.com
- d. Phone #: (954)240-3110

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: ALPHA House of Pinellas County
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Pinellas
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota

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?

We are requesting funds for a “Protection-in-depth” construction project that consists of building three layers of security with a goal of protecting pregnant teens, mothers and their babies who have been victims of human trafficking and witnesses to crime. We will be increasing safety and keeping traffickers out by fixing our property gate and fence, upgrading our ancient indoor and outdoor camera surveillance system, and providing automatic access control to the doors inside the building.

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 type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits		
<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 type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The scope of work to keep babies and mothers safe consists of the following: - Fixing the entrance gate - Fixing safety features on the exit gate - Adding fencing to back of the	363,480

	property - Adding access control features (alarms, electrical door lock-sets, card readers, installation software) - Adding cameras throughout the property - Completing the building renovations (doors/wall adjustments)	
TOTAL		363,480

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:

ALPHA House of Pinellas County partnered with the head of security at St. Petersburg College (SPC) to complete an initial study on the safety and risk factors on our property. It was determined that our security was not to par with the threats we face. This initial property security assessment was done on 10/3/2019 by Adam Colby. A second meeting was had on 10/21/2019 with various contractors and Julie Swigon, Director of Operations at ALPHA House of Pinellas County.

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 Polaris Institute reports that human traffickers recruit, transport, harbor, obtain, and exploit victims – often using force, threats, lies, or other psychological coercion. Traffickers promise a high-paying job, a loving relationship, or new and exciting opportunities. In other cases, they may kidnap victims or use physical violence or substance abuse to control them. As such, many of our women are also witnesses to crime and they and their babies' lives are at risk by traffickers.

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?

Human trafficking is a serious issue. Requesting funds for construction and renovation project that consists of building three layers of security: Barrier at property line, exterior of building, and inner protective layer doors and cameras within building. Fix property fence, upgrade our indoor and outdoor camera surveillance system, and provide us automatic access control to the doors inside the building a “protection-in-depth” design. Safety of the children, mothers, staff members inside

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

The expected direct benefit to citizens will be the creation of a “safe place” for pregnant teens and women and their babies who are victims of human trafficking. We will be preventing the potential re-victimization of women and preventing the cycle of trauma and intergenerational poverty that plagues our society.

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	98% of clients and staff will report feeling safer during their stay at ALPHA House of Pinellas County. 98% will report increased peace of mind due to the increased security measures in place.	A pre and a post survey of client safety and feeling of security will be administered by ALPHA House of Pinellas County to any clients that are in care before the security project begins and after it is completed.
<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.)	The "Protection-in-depth" security plan will be completed and in place. We anticipate a 100% decrease in security issues as a result of this enhanced security project resulting in no harm being done to the mothers or children at our center.	ALPHA House of Pinellas County will document and report any instances of security breaches or harm to the mothers or children.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
<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 writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	363,480	93.5%	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:	25,444	6.5%	Yes
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>388,924</b>	<b>100%</b>	

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

No