

# Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

## For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Bethune-Cookman University - Public Safety & Community Engagement Initiative
2. Date of Submission: 10/23/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: Scott Plakon  
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>	<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:					525,000	525,000

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? 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 upon review of project participants' (law enforcement professionals and community stakeholders) survey responses and related outcomes it is found that there is not a positive return on the investment of Florida tax payers, funding support for the initiative will cease and no other Initiative funding will be requested.

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: Bethune-Cookman University Center for Law & Social Justice
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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: Bethune-Cookman University
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Statewide
- 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?

The overall goal of the Initiative is to increase public safety by improving the relationship between law enforcement and the communities they serve. The purpose of the Initiative is to provide statewide cutting-edge and innovative engagement strategies to law enforcement professionals and community residents/stakeholders. B-CU faculty and law enforcement Fellows will work in partnership with the Florida Sheriffs Association and Community/Faith-Based Organizations throughout the state.

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	Appropriation funding will provide funding for a Project Director to direct, facilitate, and coordinate the delivery of services as outlined by the Law Enforcement & Community Partnership Initiative. Coordinate and partner with the Florida Sheriffs Association, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Florida Urban League Affiliates, and Florida Faith-Based Organizations to identify appropriate law enforcement agencies and community stakeholders.	95,000
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Appropriation funding will provide indirect administrative cost and support for the Initiative at a cost not	50,000

	to exceed 10% of the total Initiative budget.	
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	Appropriation funding will provide funding for 3 positions to support the coordination, facilitation, and implementation of the Initiative.	190,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Appropriation funding will provide project supplies, equipment, travel, and related expenses in support of the Initiative.	40,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Appropriation funding will provide funding for (8 -15) Faculty Fellows to support the training and community engagement services offered under the Initiative. Faculty Fellows will have documented expertise in the areas of law enforcement management and community policing and engagement.	150,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>525,000</b>

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:

The Bethune-Cookman University Center for Law & Social Justice has and will continue to work in partnership with the Florida Sheriffs' Association (FSA), Florida Police Chiefs' Association (FPCA), FL Dept of Law Enforcement (FDLE), and FL Urban League Affiliates, and various Faith-Based Organizations (FBOs) to achieve the objectives of the Initiative.

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 Florida Department of Law Enforcement commissioned a Community Safety Advisory Group to develop a framework for law enforcement agencies to strengthen their relationship with the communities they serve. The Advisory Group consisted of law enforcement leaders and professionals, university and training academies, and community stakeholders from across the state. Their report titled "Strengthening the Bonds of Trust Between Law Enforcement and the Public was adopted for use in May 2017.

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?

State and nationally recognized law enforcement and community engagement training and strategies will be provided to law enforcement professionals and community stakeholders throughout Florida to strengthen their relationship and ensure Florida remains a safe place to live.

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

In addition to providing nationally recognized community policing and engagement training to law enforcement professionals, another critical component of the Initiative involves providing community residents and stakeholders across Florida strategies to enhance their relationship and understanding of law enforcement. Community stakeholders and residents will be provided training on their roles and responsibilities in ensuring the safety and well-being of the community.

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 type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<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 expected outcome of this Initiative is improved law enforcement and community relations and increased public safety, in general and within disadvantaged and high-crime areas in particular.	Pre- and Post-Initiative surveys will be developed and administered to law enforcement agencies and community stakeholders who receive services through the proposed Initiative to assess participant satisfaction. In addition, pre- and post- Initiative crime statistics within the defined communities served by the Initiative may be examined to assess the effectiveness of the project.
<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	Students majoring Criminal Justice	Review FDLE sworn law enforcement

	<p>and related fields will be recruited and exposed to law enforcement agencies and career opportunities through the activities of this initiative. This will result in an increase in the number of minorities pursuing careers in law enforcement. Currently, less than 10% of Florida's sworn law enforcement officers are identified as Black.</p>	<p>demographic data to ascertain the level of increase in the number of minorities entering the law enforcement profession.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism	<p>Strengthening the bonds and level of trust between law enforcement and the communities they serve will directly result in an increase in public safety and quality of life in high-risk communities.</p>	<p>Analyze crime and delinquency data for those communities receiving training and related services through the initiative to assess any reductions in crime and delinquency.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system	<p>As a result of the specific community engagement and awareness training provided through the initiative, it is expected that there will be a decrease in minor non-violent arrest and an increase in arrests for crimes that were historically not reported or solved due to the lack of community engagement or anonymous tips.</p>	<p>Analyze crime and delinquency arrest data for those communities receiving training and related services through the initiative to assess any reductions arrest for non-violent offenses and increase in diversion strategies, when appropriate.</p>
<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:	525,000	100.0%	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:	0	0.0%	No
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>525,000</b>	<b>100%</b>	

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

No