

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Red Tent Women's Initiative, Inc.
2. Date of Submission: 11/13/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: Jennifer Webb
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:					303,177	303,177

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 deliverables are not met, funds will be returned to the State of Florida.

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Josette Green
- b. Organization: Red Tent Women's Initiative, Inc.
- c. Email: jgreen@redtentwomensinitiative.org
- d. Phone #: (727)348-5278

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: Red Tent Women's Initiative, 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?

Women receiving the support they need post-incarceration are better contributors to society, less likely to re-offend, and able to adjust and thrive in their new life. This funding will double the Red Tent Women's Initiative's impact by funding an additional class at the jail and continue to administer programs. There is a waitlist at the jail that this funding will directly address. Since 1990, incarceration of women has increased 750%. Florida needs more programming to address this problem.

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	Josette Green is a skilled CEO with 25+ years of successful experience turning around organizations and moving them forward. This amount is for her salary, payroll taxes and health insurance. She provides strategy, runs all details of the organization and secures all of the funding. She has taken a significant pay cut to do this meaningful work to impact the community and improve the lives of women.	105,072
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits	A part time administrative assistant is needed to handle the many operational details and support the CEO. Hourly wages and payroll taxes are included in this amount.	13,770
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	This is for CEO travel, expenses and general administrative supplies.	5,000

<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	Pinellas County Jail has just given their approval to Red Tent to double our capacity at the jail and run 2 classes instead of 1 each week. We've had a wait list of women for the entire 7 years of operation and want to ensure any woman who is ready to heal and improve their lives has the opportunity to receive the skills offered in this class. This amount is for the new second class that would double the women impacted.	72,295
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	The expansion of classes at the jail will require supplies, a computer, software, and support services for the personnel. Red Tent relies heavily on volunteers and interns and so equipment and supplies are needed for the free labor they provide. Red Tent plans to take this program to other Florida jails thanks to this funding and so additional equipment and supplies are needed.	31,840
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Red Tent wants to expand this experienced trauma informed program across Florida to counteract the increased incarceration of women. A curriculum consultant needs to be hired to effectively	75,200

	capture the curriculum and best practices and create a training program to begin training others in creating this science based course at other Florida jails. Social media, marketing and fundraising is needed for this expansion in addition to support the everyday operations.	
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		303,177

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:

Red Tent has letters of strong support from St Pete Free Clinic's Director, Cynthia Burham; Marti Zeitz, LMHC; and YogaLoka's Elizabeth DiVito. Many participants in Red Tent's programming speak very highly about how the program helped them re-enter society in a meaningful and positive way.

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?

A second class will be started at the jail and therefore double the number of women receiving the trauma informed program. Red Tent will also formalize the curriculum so that other jail personnel can be trained and Red Tent programs can be instituted in Florida. Leadership will be available to direct these important activities.

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

Incarcerated women will receive the trauma informed programs that Red Tent provides plus the case management support to create a safe life outside of the jail.

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	Providing pre-release support, mental health care, and training reduces the common loop of release and re-offense by helping women re-enter society in a positive and meaningful way.	Red Tent tracks the recidivism rate of participants released on a 1, 2, and 3 year scale.
<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.)	Providing pre-release support, mental health care, and training reduces the common loop of release and re-	Red Tent tracks the recidivism rate of participants released on a 1, 2, and 3 year scale.

	offense by helping women re-enter society in a positive and meaningful way.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	Providing pre-release support, mental health care, and training reduces the common loop of release and re-offense by helping women re-enter society in a positive and meaningful way. Women who have support are more likely to participate in the local economy.	Red Tent tracks the recidivism rate of participants released on a 1, 2, and 3 year scale.
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities	This funding will be used to hire additional Red Tent staff. Women who have received counseling and support pre- and post-incarceration are more equipped for gainful employment.	Red Tent's staff will increase.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency	Women who receive counseling and support are more likely to participate in the local economy, become gainfully employed, and have a lower risk of recidivism.	Red Tent tracks the recidivism rate of participants released on a 1, 2, and 3 year scale.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism	Providing pre-release support, mental health care, and training reduces the common loop of release and re-offense by helping women re-enter society in a positive and meaningful way.	Red Tent tracks the recidivism rate of participants released on a 1, 2, and 3 year scale. Further data can be pulled from the Clerk of Court's website.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse	Women who receive counseling and support are less likely to turn to substance abuse as a coping method or method of making money.	Red Tent tracks the recidivism rate of participants released on a 1, 2, and 3 year scale. Further data can be pulled from the Clerk of Court's website.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system	Reduced rates of recidivism diverts women from returning to the criminal justice system. Providing pre-release support, mental health care, and training reduces the common loop of release and re-offense by helping women re-enter society in a positive and meaningful way.	Red Tent tracks the recidivism rate of participants released on a 1, 2, and 3 year scale. Further data can be pulled from the Clerk of Court's website.
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe): Increased self esteem	The measure is through the highly credible Rosenberg Self Esteem survey that has been used in the US for 40 years. It has been found to be the most reliable survey of its type.	The women are given the Rosenberg Self Esteem Survey at three intervals. The scores are tracked and the change in self esteem determined.

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:	303,177	67.0%	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:	149,550	33.0%	Yes
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	452,727	100%	

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

No