

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Florida's Early Childhood Courts - Clinical Funding
2. Date of Submission: 11/15/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: Amber Mariano
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:					1,800,000	1,800,000

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 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.
There is a current process in place, more information could be provided at a later date

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Ashlee Tising
- b. Organization: Akerman LLP
- c. Email: ashlee.tising@akerman.com
- d. Phone #: (850)425-1671

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

- a. Name: Mimi Graham
- b. Organization: Center for Prevention & Early Intervention Policy
- c. Email: mgraham@fsu.edu
- d. Phone #: (850)510-7770

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

- a. Name: Ashlee Tising
- b. Firm: Akerman LLP
- c. Email: ashlee.tising@akerman.com
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9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Community Based Care Agencies through DCF
- 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?

To improve outcomes of children 0-3 involved in Florida's Early Childhood Courts (ECC). Specifically, goes toward clinical consultation for 22 licensed child-parent psychotherapists to integrate treatment across ECC court teams and judges and 1 statewide clinical director to ensure fidelity to the evidence-based model. The clinical component goes hand-in-hand with the Court needs form and is imperative to the success found in ECC's team-based approach.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Clinical consultation for the licensed child-parent psychotherapists (Rate is based on six hours/month/per child at \$64/hour = \$384 per child/per month = \$4,608 per year x 350 children/site (22) And, contract with the FSU Center for Prevention and Early	1,800,000

Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		1,800,000

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:

Florida Supreme Court Justice, Robert Luck spoke of his support at the Florida Children and Youth Cabinet Meeting on August 23, 2019 - see page 4 of the attached summary

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 Institute for Child Welfare evaluated the program between July 2018 and June 2019 -- attached are the Executive Summary and the Final Report that was submitted to the Office of Court Improvement on June 27, 2019

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?

Child-parent psychotherapists provide intense child parent therapy to heal trauma by building parenting capacity and optimizing child well-being. The statewide clinical director will provide consultation, training, and support to the ECC infant mental health clinicians

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

Early childhood courts link citizens to a continuum of evidence-based services and interventions needed to improve outcomes for abused and neglected children. Many parents in the child welfare system were previously child victims themselves. (Young girl is sexually abused; uses drugs to numb the trauma; gets pregnant; cycle repeats with substance exposed baby). Healing mother's trauma history is necessary to provide the supportive family structure and well-being for all parties.

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): Children 0-3 and families involved in Florida's child welfare system.

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	See "Other"	See "Other"
<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 type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism	See "Other"	See "Other"

<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system	See "Other"	See "Other"
<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): Timely permanency, increased child well-being	Compared to traditional dependency courts, ECC children achieve permanency and experience fewer instances of removal.	Monthly hearings in front of a trauma-informed judge; monthly family meetings with the multidisciplinary team facilitate by a trauma informed judge. Frequent meetings with the child-parent clinicians. The results are reported back to the entire court team and judge

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:	1,800,000	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
TOTAL	1,800,000	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