

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Ready4Work-Hillsborough
2. Date of Submission: 11/04/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: James Grant
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:	1,000,000		1,000,000	1,000,000	500,000	1,500,000

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 Corrections
 - 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.

Ready4Work- Hillsborough's existing contract through Florida Department of Corrections includes penalties for not meeting performance goals that are clearly outlined. [See existing contract]

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Robert Blount
- b. Organization: Abe Brown Ministries, Inc.
- c. Email: robert.blount@abebrown.org
- d. Phone #: (813)247-3285

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: Darrick McGhee
- b. Firm: Johnson & Blaton, LLC
- c. Email: Darrick@teamjb.com
- d. Phone #: (850)224-1900

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Abe Brown Ministries, Inc.
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Hillsborough
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk

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?

R4W-H supports the State of Florida’s strategies to reduce incarceration costs, and to reduce Florida’s prison population in order to sustain costs reductions. R4W-H’s goal is to generate returns on investment not only by reducing recidivism, but also by reducing crime, and breaking cycles of hopelessness. R4W-H’s approach through comprehensive reentry services and employment reduces crime, provides job and economic development, and helps to foster contributing members to society.

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	Per existing proviso, these funds will provide a pre-release risk assessment, a plan-of-care, career development and essential life skills training, and referrals for incarcerated participants. Ready4Work-Hillsborough will also provide post-release services including case	500,000

	management, career development and essential life skills training, life-coaching (mentoring), family reunification, and job placement assistance. [see existing contract with Florida Department of Corrections]	
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		500,000

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:

Ready4Work (R4W) is a nationally recognized workforce development program for citizens returning to the community after incarceration and has been funded by the State of Florida since June 2014.

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:

Diverting Low-Risk Offenders From Florida Prisons - Report No. 19-01 - Date: January 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?

Per existing proviso, these funds will provide a pre-release risk assessment, a plan-of-care, career development and essential life skills training, and referrals for incarcerated participants. Ready4Work-Hillsborough will also provide post-release services including case management, career development and essential life skills training, life-coaching (mentoring), family reunification, and job placement assistance. [see existing contract with Florida Department of Corrections]

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

Funds will provide a pre-release risk assessment, a plan-of-care, career development and essential life skills training, and referrals for incarcerated participants. Post-release services include the same, plus case management, life-coaching, family reunification, and job placement assistance. Additional funds will address the existing funding shortfall and provide funding for essential computer literacy skills training, critical in today's society and workplace.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health	Participants will attain healthcare coverage, public or through their employer.	Healthcare cards will be issued.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health	Participant will receive a mental health assessment.	The resulting mental health assessment becomes part of the participants Plan of Care. Any treatment required will be monitored by their respective Case Manager.
<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.)	Formerly incarcerated citizens that are engaged, employed, and empowered are less likely to commit crimes and return to prison.	Reduction in recidivism rate. R4W-H's recidivism rate is half the rate of the Florida Department of Corrections.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	Citizens returning to the community after incarceration will be employed.	Employment is recorded in R4W-H's Efforts-to-Outcomes database.
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency	Participants will receive life management, employability, and financial literacy training. Participants also receive employment placement assistance.	Training attendance and job placement are recorded in R4W-H's Efforts-to-Outcomes database.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism	Formerly incarcerated citizens that are engaged, employed, and empowered are less likely to commit crimes and return to prison.	Reduction in recidivism rate. R4W-H's recidivism rate is half the rate of the Florida Department of Corrections.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse	Participant will receive a substance abuse assessment.	The resulting substance abuse assessment becomes part of the participants Plan of Care. Any treatment required will be monitored by their respective Case Manager.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system	Formerly incarcerated citizens that are engaged, employed, and empowered are less likely to commit crimes and return to prison.	Reduction in recidivism rate. R4W-H's recidivism rate is half the rate of the Florida Department of Corrections.

<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:	500,000	76.9%	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:	100,000	15.4%	Yes
5. Other:	50,000	7.7%	Yes
TOTAL	650,000	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