

The Florida House of Representatives
Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2022-23
For projects meeting the definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Jewish Community Services Long Term Transitional Surfside Counseling
2. Date of Submission: 11/15/2021
3. House Member Sponsor: Joseph Geller

4. Details of Amount Requested:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
- 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 2021-22 (If appropriated in 2021-22 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2022-23 (Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated	Recurring Base Budget	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds
Input Amounts:					252,760	252,760

- e. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2022-23 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	252,760	24.0%	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	800,000	76.0%	Yes

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5. Other	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	1,052,760	100%	

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

No

6. Which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue requested? Department of Children and Families

a. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? No

b. 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 severe adverse impact in denying emotional and psychological support to those who were impacted by the tragic event of Champlain Towers South collapse. Should these clients not be provided trauma-informed mental health counseling support to address immediate needs, they risk employability and ultimately self-sufficiency.

7. Requester:

a. Name: Miriam Singer

b. Organization: Jewish Community Services of South Florida

c. Email: msinger@jcsfl.org

d. Phone #: (786)696-3267

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

a. Name: Heather Winters

b. Organization: hwinters@jcsfl.org

c. Email: hwinters@jcsfl.org

d. Phone #: (305)403-6516

9. Registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project.

a. Name: Ellyn Bogdanoff

b. Firm: Becker & Poliakoff PA

c. Email: ebogdanoff@beckerlawyers.com

d. Phone #: (954)364-6005

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10. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: hwinters@jcsfl.org
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Miami-Dade
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Miami-Dade

11. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds?

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government
- University or College
- Other (Please describe)

12. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds being requested?

The dramatic surge in need for mental health counseling and supportive services resulting in new clients seeking these services as a result of the Surfside tragedy has increased the need to build capacity to fund long-term mental health services for these populations. This results in the need to subsidize trauma informed care services for long-term therapy. These new individuals and families will require long-term support, anticipated between 3-5 years after a disaster.

13. Provide specific details on how funds will be spent. (Select all that apply)

Spending Category	Description	Amount Requested (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	Director of Clinical Services - .10 FTE	10,000
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	laptops for 4 clinicians @ \$750 each, cell phone reimbursement	8,760

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	for each clinician @ \$50/month, \$.54/mile with a total of 4,000 miles, staff development \$300/clinician	
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	4 Licensed, clinical mental health counselors will provide trauma- informed counseling services for a period of 12 months to 30 impacted clients.	234,000
<input type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		252,760

14. For Fixed Capital Costs requested in Question 13, what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete?
- 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)

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15. Is the project request an information technology project?

No

16. 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

a. Please Describe:

Support from The Miami Foundation, United Way Miami, Marlins Foundation, the Greater Miami Jewish Federation, Thriving Mind, among other individuals and private family foundations have all been secured for our Surfside response initiative.

17. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?

No

18. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?

Yes

a. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the purpose of the funds?

Licensed clinical mental health professionals will serve a total of 30 clients for a 12 month period providing one counseling session per week. The counseling session will be provided via a HIPAA compliant tele-mental health platform or in person, depending on client preference. Upon initial intake, the clinician and client identify a treatment plan with specific and individual goals.

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

Trauma-informed mental health counseling services will be provided either via our HIPAA telemental health platform or in person. This will be dependent upon the client's request. Clients will receive mental health support for a 12 month period.

c. 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

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- 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)

d. How many in the target population are expected to be served?

- < 25
- 25-50
- 51-100
- 101-200
- 201-400
- 401-800
- >800

19. 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 or outcome
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health	Clients feel less overwhelmed through various crises' they face.	80% of clients will demonstrate a decrease in symptomology and report positive mental well-being.

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		This is assessed by the Children’s Functional Assessment Rating Scale (CFARS) and Functional Assessment Rating Scale (FARS) for adults at the 6 month time frame and at planned discharge.
<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 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		

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<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):		