

Budget Detail Request - Fiscal Year 2016-17

Your request will not be officially submitted unless all questions and applicable sub parts are answered.

1. Title of Project: For the Greater Good Attorney Student Loan Repayment Program
2. Date of Submission: 01/21/2016
3. House Member Sponsor(s): James Grant

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
- 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? No
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request (Note that Column E will be the total of Recurring funds requested and Column F will be the total Nonrecurring funds requested, the sum of which is the Total of the Funds you are requesting in Column G):

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2015-16 <i>(If appropriated in FY 2015-16 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2016-17 <i>(If no new Recurring or Nonrecurring funding is requested, enter zeros.)</i>			
	Column: A	B	C	D	E	F	G
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>	INCREASED or NEW Recurring Requested	TOTAL Nonrecurring Requested <i>(Nonrecurring is one time funding & must be re-requested every year)</i>	Total Funds Requested Over Base Funding <i>(Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column E + Column F)</i>
Input Amounts:					10,000,000	0	10,000,000

- e. New Nonrecurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs
- f. New Recurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs

5. Requester:

- a. Name: Nicole Fried
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6. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds:

- a. Name: Department of Education to disburse to qualified attorneys
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended) Statewide
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding) Statewide

7. Write a project description that will serve as a stand-alone summary of the project for legislative review. The description should summarize the entire project's intended purpose, the purpose of the funds requested (if request is a sub-part of the entire project), and most importantly the detail on how the funds requested will be spent - for example how much will be spent on positions and associated salaries, specifics on capital costs, and detail of operational expenses. The summary must list what local, regional or statewide interests or areas are served. It should also document the need for the funds, the community support and expected results when applicable. Be sure to include the type and amount of services as well as the number of the specific target population that will be served (such as number of home health visits to X, # of elderly, # of school aged children to receive mentoring, # of violent crime victims to receive once a week counseling etc.)

The program provides student loan repayment assistance to eligible attorneys employed in the public sector. The attorney must be working full-time in the public sector in Florida, by the State or local government or Federal Government. The attorney must be earning less than \$65,000 and is not eligible for any other state, local or federal grant or private funds that assist in student loan repayment. The bill authorizes up to \$3,000 in loan payments annually for qualifying attorneys having at least 4 and up to 7 years of government employment. When an attorney reaches 7 years of employment, the amount authorized increases to \$5,000. When the attorney completes 10 years of service, loan payments cease. In addition, the bill authorizes payment of additional funds starting at earlier years for attorneys who are the best and brightest?

The program is intended to attract more attorneys to public service, and help government agencies retain attorneys, thereby reducing turnover and costs of repeated trainings. In addition, the program hopes to entice some of the top graduating attorneys across the county to enter into the public sector. Increasing payments based on years of service provides an incentive for attorneys to make a long-term commitment to public service.

8. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2016-17 from all sources of funding:

- Federal: 0
- State: 0 (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column G)
- Local: 0
- Other: 0

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

Yes