

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2017-18

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Children of Inmates: Enhanced Learning Experiences

2. Date of Submission: 01/30/2017

3. House Member Sponsor: Kionne McGhee

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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

b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2016-17

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 2016-17 (If appropriated in 2016-17 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2017-18 (Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited. Any additional Nonrecurring funding requested to supplement recurring funds in the base will result in the base recurring amount being converted to Nonrecurring .)		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)	Recurring Base Budget (Will equal non- vetoed amounts provided in Column A)	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring Request (Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D to be CONVERTED to Nonrecurring plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E. These funds will be appropriated non-recurring if funded in the House Budget or the Final Conference Report on the budget.)
Input Amounts:		700,000	700,000		1,500,000	1,500,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2017-18? 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? For example, if the requested issue pertains to services provided to inmates at correctional facilities, the Department of Corrections would be the most appropriate state agency. Department of Corrections

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Shellie Solomon
- b. Organization: Children of Inmates, Inc.
- c. Email: SESolomon@jssinc.org
- d. Phone #: (786)781-5141

7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project (Please retype if same as Requester):

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8. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

- a. Name: Yolanda Jackson
- b. Firm: Becker & PoliaKoff
- c. Email: yjackson@bplegal.com
- d. Phone #: (954)985-4132

9. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds(Please retype if same as Requestor or Contact):

- a. Name: Children of Inmates, Inc.
- 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?

COI will serve 1500 of the 300,000 children in Florida with an incarcerated parent at \$1000 per child. These children face risk of anti-social behaviors and mental illness, putting them on the path towards incarceration. COI's innovative approach will interrupt this pattern. COI will build on existing family bonding visits and collaborate with FDC to integrate wellness, literacy, civics and STEM activities to support both children and their incarcerated parent's improvement as a family.

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

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. F) Enter ?0? if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Executive Director will dedicate 23 percent time to project management and leadership including building collaborations with local agencies, integrating services with FDC and overseeing operations.	35,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits	Fiscal staff (1 FTE) will be supported at 50% time for the management of budgeting, invoicing, internal controls and audit support.	30,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	\$12,500 will be expended for travel to administrative meetings with FDOC and partnering agencies across the State. \$10,000 will be allocated to office rent to support housing of COI Staff, social work interns and AmeriCorps staff. \$2,500 will be	25,000

	reserved for office supplies.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	\$5,000 will be reserved for Operational Audit costs. \$20,000 will be reserved to contract an independent study of program impacts. (Applications for research funds will be submitted to federal and private agencies to match the research study)	25,000
Operational Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	\$312,500 will be reserved to hire up to five FTE social work and/ or criminal justice staff to support family outreach across the state of Florida and work with incarcerated parents within the FDC system. \$72,500 will be reserved to support AmeriCorps living allowance match, college intern stipends and reemployment support.	385,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	\$250,000 will be reserved to support transportation costs for children (and appropriate caregivers) to participate in the child focused bonding visitation programs and special child focused developmental events from metropolitan and rural areas \$250,000 will be reserved to support program supplies for wellness, literacy, civics and STEM learning experiences.	500,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	OI is a collaboration of 12 community	500,000

	and faith based organizations with an intention to expand to up to 20 organizations across the state. As such, \$500,000 will be reserved to support subcontracts to partner agencies with specializations in mental health, physical health, literacy, child brain development, STEM, civics, information technology and advocacy to support the operationalization of the enhanced learning experiences and to support expansion to rural and metropolitan area.	
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		1,500,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue, what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (In Question 12, if ?h. Fixed Capital Outlay? was not selected, question 13 is not applicable)

N/A

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:

Children of Inmates has received over 100 letters of support from public and private agencies and individuals such as the State Attorney's Office, the Juvenile Assessment Center, the Chief Judge of the Juvenile Division, Children's Trust and numerous family members, etc. COI

has nearly 15,000 social media followers . Family bonding visits have been covered by Time Magazine, National Public Radio, USA Today and within all the major media markets in Tampa, Miami-Dade, Broward, and Leon County.

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:

In April 2015, the Anne E. Casey Foundation identified 312,000 children with incarcerated parents in the State of Florida and discussed the significant challenges faced by targeted children. Cambridge University published a meta-analysis in 2008 scientifically establishing the anti-social and mental health risk factors for children with incarcerated parents.

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

Yes

17a. Describe the target population to be served. 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
- ☐ Other (Please describe)

17b. 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 all 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	Conduct well-baby check-ups to focus on developmental outcomes for children with an incarcerated parent, ages 0-3 to make sure that children are progressing toward their appropriate developmental milestones.	Ages and Stages Child Development Assessment Instrument completed at intake, and every three months afterwards during the year.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health	Reduce physical and verbal aggression and anti-social behaviors in children with incarcerated parents who exhibit these behaviors.	Anti-social assessment tool conducted at intake. Children will exhibit an improvement in their global assessment of functioning score (GAF) within six months of behavioral health services.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience	Using evidence-based curriculum from 4-H and the US Civics organization, increase knowledge of civic responsibilities and principles by children and their incarcerated parents.	Pre and post tests on knowledge of key civic responsibilities and principles as provided in evidence based curriculum prior to and following each learning 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.)	Increase coping and parenting skills (including injury prevention) through individual sessions, support groups and learning experiences for incarcerated parents, caregivers and children.	FDC Risk Assessment Tool for incarcerated parents provided at intake and every six months. Self Sufficient tool for caregivers and children provided at intake and every six months.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities	Creating 5 new social/criminal justice work positions with COI. Creating 5 new social work positions within partnering agencies. Creating up to 25 AmeriCorps positions and 20 paid internship stipends.	Number of positions created, individuals hired and individuals successful beyond the three month probationary period. Positive student evaluations. Positive AmeriCorps evaluations.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency	Facilitate care coordination to low income caregivers and returning citizens to link them to services to increase earning potential, build assets, reduce reliance on public assistance and establish a family budget.	Evidence-based self sufficiency tool, conducted at intake and every six months.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism	Create strong bond between incarcerated parent, children and caregivers during the family bonding visits to promote family support for	Track the recidivism of incarcerated parent participants.

	the incarcerated parent upon returning to community. Link the returning citizen with ongoing community support as a result of relationship with COI and its partners, leading to potential job opportunities, access to community based support groups, counseling and medical services and mentors.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system	Interrupt intergeneration incarceration by identifying, working with and supporting children with incarcerated parent. Research from Cambridge University documents that these children are more at risk of anti-social behaviors than their peers.	Child behavior assessment tools conducted at intake and every six months. Track juvenile arrests for participating children and youth.
<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): Improve lifetime outcomes for children with an incarcerated parent.	The measure is an increase in literacy and STEM knowledge. Children with incarcerated parents often cannot participate in special learning experiences or literacy enhancements due to lack of fiscal resources to participate in school field	Measurement would be increase comprehension using ORF tool and increased interest in STEM careers.

	trips, obtain books or experience reading with a parent or explore STEM opportunities.	
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19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2017-18 from all sources of funding (Enter ?0? if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total (Automatically Calculates)	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	1,500,000	64.3%	N/A
2. Federal:	143,297	6.1%	Yes
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local:	647,000	27.7%	No
5. Other:	42,906	1.8%	Yes
TOTAL	2,333,203	100%	

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

No