Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2017-18

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Problem Solving Court-Driver's License Reinstatement Pilot Program
2. Date of Submission: 02/06/2017
3. House Member Sponsor: Joseph Geller
    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
    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 (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:					499,422	499,422

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. State Court System

6. Requester:
    a. Name: <u>Sally Heyman</u>
    b. Organization: <u>Miami-Dade County</u>
    c. Email: <u>heyman@miamidade.gov</u>
    d. Phone #: <u>(305)375-5128</u>

7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project (Please retype if same as Requester):
    a. Name: <u>Sally Heyman</u>
    b. Organization: <u>Miami-Dade County</u>
    c. Email: <u>heyman@miamidade.gov</u>
    d. Phone #: <u>(305)375-5128</u>

8. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.
    a. Name: <u>Jess McCarty</u>
    b. Firm: <u>Miami-Dade County Attorney's Office</u>
    c. Email: <u>jmm2@miamidade.gov</u>
    d. Phone #: <u>(305)979-7110</u>

9. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds(Please retype if same as Requestor or Contact):
    a. Name: <u>11th Judicial Circuit County Court Criminal Division</u>
    b. County (County where funds are to be expended): <u>Miami-Dade</u>
    c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): <u>Miami-Dade</u>

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) <u>11th Judicial Circuit County Court Criminal Division</u>

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

Miami-Dade County Criminal Court Division seeks funding for a pilot program to reduce the number of drivers whose privilege to drive has been revoked due to inability to pay traffic fines and costs. The pilot project goal is to evaluate and restructure the debt owed so that it becomes feasible for drivers to meet their financial obligations and regain their privilege to drive. This is NOT an amnesty effort or an endeavor to excuse those who have demonstrated a failure to abide by traffic laws.

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:		
☐a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
☐b. Other Salary and Benefits		
☐c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
☐d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
☑e. Salaries and Benefits	Funds will be spent to address costs for the Clerk of Courts staff and other relevant staff necessary to operate a DWLS courtroom including, but not limited to, a bailiff, clerks, IT department, security and other necessary court administrative personnel.	323,297
☑f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Funds will be spent to support the operation of the DWLS Court including but not limited to	176,125

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	preparation and mailing of court notices, resolutions and correspondence, creation of dedicated phone line for scheduling of cases and IT support systems.	
☐g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
☐h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		499,422

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)
<u>N/A</u>

14. Is the project request an information technology project?
<u>No</u>

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?
<u>Yes</u>

    15a. Please Describe:
        Yes. Miami-Dade County held 1-day DWLS reinstatement events involving overwhelming support from the following stakeholders: Dade Chiefs of Police, State Attorneys Office, Law Enforcement Officers, Miami-Dade County, DHSMV, 11th Judicial Circuit and the Public Defender's Office

16. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?
<u>No</u>

17. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?
<u>Yes</u>

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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): In Miami-Dade County approximately 500,000 drivers licenses are suspended. It is estimated that ove

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
☐Improve physical health		

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☐Improve mental health		
☐Enrich cultural experience		
☐Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
☐Improve quality of education		
☐Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality		
☑Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	Reduce the number of people with a suspended license and number of consequences by providing a mechanism for payment of fines and costs. Increase the amount of people legally driving.	Gather data documenting the amount of tickets, warrants and arrests related to driving with a suspended license pre and post pilot program.
☑Improve transportation conditions	Increase the amount of legal drivers on Florida highways and roads by lawfully reinstating licenses and increasing the amount of drivers eligible to obtain state required insurance.	Gather data documenting the amount of tickets issued for no valid insurance and driving with a suspended license in Miami-Dade County pre and post pilot program.
☑Increase or improve economic activity	Reinstating the privilege to drive will permit individuals to drive to work. Additionally, individuals will be able to work for employers who require a license.	Program tracking of those assisted.
☐Increase tourism		
☐Create specific immediate job opportunities		
☑Enhance specific individual?s economic self sufficiency	Reinstating the privilege to drive will permit individuals to drive to work. Additionally, individuals will be able to	Program tracking of those assisted.

	work for employers who require a license.	
☑Reduce recidivism	Reduce # of suspended licenses and hold drivers responsible by providing a mechanism to pay. Reduce the # of drivers with a suspended license, reduce the issuance of warrants and subsequent arrests.	Gather data documenting the amount of tickets, warrants and arrests related to driving with a suspended license pre and post pilot program.
☐Reduce substance abuse		
☑Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system	The DWLS Court Pilot Program will divert potential new criminal cases of driving with a suspended license. Also, by creating a problem solving DWLS court, the court will allocate resources efficiently.	Gather data documenting the amount of tickets, warrants and arrests related to driving with a suspended license pre and post pilot program.
☐Improve wastewater management		
☐Improve stormwater management		
☐Improve groundwater quality		
☐Improve drinking water quality		
☐Improve surface water quality		
☐Other (Please describe):		

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	499,422	50.1%	N/A

Project Request:			
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local:	497,593	49.9%	Yes
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	997,015	100%	

20. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?
    <u>No</u>