

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2018-19

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Miami-Dade County Problem Solving Court Driver's License Reinstatement Program

2. Date of Submission: 11/10/2017

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? 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? 2017-18
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? Yes
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request:

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 <i>(If appropriated in 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2018-19 <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:		250,000	250,000		499,422	499,422

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2018-19? 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? State Court System

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.

Full reimbursement of funding allocated

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Miami Dade County
- b. Organization: Miami Dade County
- c. Email: jmm@miamidade.gov
- d. Phone #: (305)375-1634

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

- a. Name: Jess NcCarthy
- b. Organization: Miami Dade County
- c. Email: jmm@miamidade.gov
- d. Phone #: (305)375-1634

8. Is there a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project?

- a. Name: Jess McCarthy
- b. Firm: Miami Dade County State Attorney's Office
- c. Email: jmm2@miamidade.gov
- d. Phone #: (305)979-7110

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: 11th Judicial Circuit County Court Criminal Division
- 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

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) 11th Judicial Circuit County Court Criminal Division

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. 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Funds will be spent to support the operation of the DWLS Court including, but not limited to, preparation and mailing of court	176,125

	notices, resolutions and correspondence, creation of dedicated phone line for scheduling of cases and IT support systems	
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		499,422

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)

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:

Miami-Dade County held 1-day DWLS reinstatement events involving overwhelming support from the following stakeholders: Dade Chiefs of Police, State Attorney's 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?

No

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?

In Miami-Dade County approximately 500,000 drivers licenses are suspended. It is estimated that over 100,000 people drive with a suspended license. The DWLS project anticipates resolving 1,000 cases per week.

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

Increase the amount of legal drivers in Florida highways and roads by lawfully reinstating licenses and increasing the amount of drivers eligible to obtain state required insurance.

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

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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 type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<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.)	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 licenses pre and post pilot program
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	Gather data documenting the employment of individuals enrolled in the pilot program and compare with data documenting employment of

	license	individuals who completed the program.
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 work for employers who require a license.	Gather data documenting the employment of individuals enrolled in the pilot program and compare with data documenting employment of individuals who completed the program.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism	Reduce the # 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.
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	Gather data documenting the amount of tickets, warrants and arrests related to driving with a suspended license pre and post pilot program.
<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 2018-19 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:	499,422	50.1%	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:	497,593	49.9%	No
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?

No