

# 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: Leon County/Second Circuit Mental Health Court
2. Date of Submission: 12/17/2015
3. House Member Sponsor(s): Alan Williams

## 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 (If appropriated in FY 2015-16 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2016-17 (If no new Recurring or Nonrecurring funding is requested, enter zeros.)			
	Column: A	B	C	D	E	F	G
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 )	<b>INCREASED or NEW Recurring Requested</b>	<b>TOTAL Nonrecurring Requested</b>  (Nonrecurring is one time funding & must be re-requested every year)	<b>Total Funds Requested Over Base Funding</b>  (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column E + Column F)
Input Amounts:					0	200,000	200,000

- 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: Dan Hendrickson
- b. Organization: Second Judicial Circuit, State of Florida/ Leon County
- c. Email:
- d. Phone #: (850)570-1967

6. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds:

- a. Name: Second Judicial Circuit, State of Florida/Leon County
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended) Leon
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding) Bay, Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Madison

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.)

Leon County's history with a successful, three-year pilot mental health court through the State Reinvestment Grant Program documented the needs in the Capital area and the Court's ability to efficiently handle both misdemeanor and felony mental health specialty courts. At the misdemeanor level, the Court has continued to maintain a limited, emergency mental health court consistently since the final grant ended. Co-operating agencies include: Leon County probation and pretrial services, both the State Attorney and Public Defender offices, the Leon County Sheriff's Office, NAMI Tallahassee, and various service providers for mental health and substance abuse, as well as private defense attorneys in the Tallahassee area.

The Court wishes to expand that crisis misdemeanor court by restoring both the full misdemeanor, as well as felony docket in Leon, as well as the other counties in the Second Circuit. The Mental Health Court Team, including community and agency partners, will facilitate frequent staffings for dozens of defendants each month. A case co-ordinator and a mental health services co-ordinator will be housed in the Court Administrator's office in Tallahassee, who will work closely with criminal judges and parties negotiating mental health and pretrial and probation orders, and negotiating for services for defendants before the Court. The Project will supervise a modest fund to subsidize emergency services for indigent defendants not otherwise covered by health insurance.

In its first year, the Court expects to divert 100 defendants from local jails and prisons, and provide judicial oversight for fifty probationers and twenty conditional releases who are incompetent to proceed to trial or not guilty by reason of insanity.

Other funding will be sought from impacted local governments; in the past, both Leon County and the City of Tallahassee have provided supplementary funding for court services for defendants with mental illness. It is expected other jurisdictions will begin supporting the Court once the Mental Health Dockets are operational.

The Department of Children and Families, and its local Managing Entity, will be regular partners in decreasing the recidivism in arrests and hospitalizations of defendants receiving mental health court services.

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

Federal: 0

State: 200,000 (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column G)

Local: 20,000

Other: 0

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

Yes