

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: The Transistion House, Inc.
2. Date of Submission: 12/22/2015
3. House Member Sponsor(s): Mike LaRosa

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? 2014-15
- 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)	INCREASED or NEW Recurring Requested	TOTAL Nonrecurring Requested (Nonrecurring is one time funding & must be re-requested every year)	Total Funds Requested Over Base Funding (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column E + Column F)
Input Amounts:					1,000,000	0	1,000,000

- 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: Thomas griffin
- b. Organization: The Transistion House
- c. Email: tom@thetransitionhouse.org
- d. Phone #: (407)892-5700 Ext. 101

6. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds:

- a. Name: The Transition House
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended) Osceola
- 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 Transition House currently provides extensive behavioral health services throughout the state of Florida, including substance use treatment and intervention, family and individual counseling, psychological trauma assessment and treatment, co-occurring disorders, psychiatric and psychological evaluations and treatment, and medication management. The Transition House Inc. has been providing quality, effective services to Veterans, the chronically homeless and those involved with the justice system for over 20 years.

The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) reported in its 2014 Annual Homelessness Assessment Report (AHAR) that, nationally, there were 578,424 persons who were homeless on a given night, based on the aggregated results of HUD's mandated 2014 Point In Time Count. HUD's 2014 AHAR Veterans Supplemental Report found that there were just fewer than 50,000 homeless veterans in the national Point in Time report, and that, on any given night, 9.5% approximately (4,750) of the nation's homeless veterans are located in Florida.

Florida has the third largest number of homeless veterans in the United States (approximately 9.5% of the total) with central Florida accounting for more than 30% of the total homeless veterans in the state. Based on the trends cited above, TTH anticipates a significant continuing pressure on regional resources to assist the expanding number of precariously housed and homeless veterans to obtain employment and training to support their return to self-sufficiency and stable housing.

Osceola County, including the largest cities of St. Cloud and Kissimmee, Florida, and Orange County, encompassing the Orlando metropolitan area, are the target

population areas for the proposed project, however we will take individuals with substance abuse and mental health issues from all over the state of Florida, with a priority on Veterans and homeless men that have been incarcerated.

Central Florida's Regional Commission on Homelessness developed a ten-year plan to end homelessness in 2008. TTH is a partner agency and participated in the development of the plan. TTH's Executive Director is a member of the Commission and participates in quarterly meetings to shape regional policy on cross-jurisdictional topics affecting the issue of homelessness, including veteran homelessness.

The Homeless Services Network (HSN), a 501c3 nonprofit agency and the lead agency for the Continuum of Care for Seminole, Osceola and Orange Counties (including the City of Orlando) completed its 2013 Point in Time (PIT) Count between October 2013, and September 2014, in partnership with the University of Central Florida and the Health Care for Homeless Veterans (HCHV) Program of the Veterans Administration.

HSN's 2014 PIT found that, on any given night, there are 10,749 homeless individuals in the Continuum of Care, of which 4749 were unsheltered, with approximately 6000 sheltered. The PIT reported that on any given night there were 695 homeless veterans (257 sheltered and 354 unsheltered). Annually 1,528 veterans experience homelessness in the Continuum of Care. Veterans account for 14% of Central Florida's homeless population. Central Florida's unsheltered homeless veterans are living on the streets, in abandoned buildings, or in the 120 camps in the tri-county area.

The Transition House Inc. will provide services to these men in the following ways:

1. Providing behavioral health and medical services in a Residential/Outpatient setting that will include: Wellness exams, physicals, TB testing, psychiatric evaluations, psychological evaluations, medication management, mental health and substance use evaluations, individual counseling on a weekly basis, case management, collaborative treatment planning, psychoeducational groups, substance abuse/mental health group therapy, to include anger management, batterers intervention, parenting classes, family counseling, couples counseling, peer support groups, vocational classes, career building classes, drug screens and breathalyzers.
2. For Veterans we will provide transportation to and from the VA twice a week to assist with the start and maintenance of medical stability, to promote health and wellness, if they are eligible for VA medical benefits and address issues that have been ignored due to homelessness or lack of transportation.

Our goals for FY 2014 were to reduce the abuse of substances during their stay at our program and encourage stabilized housing and improved healthy behaviors.

FY 2014 Goal: To enroll 36 clients over the next 12 months

FY 2014 Goal: To have 75% of the 36 clients remain substance free while residing in the program

Outcomes:

Enrolled 36 clients during the period of our contract

94% of all clients remained substance free while residing in the program

92% of all clients went into either a long term Grant Per Diem program or went on to Permanent housing

87% participated in outside 12 step support groups to enhance their wellness in recovery

Our goals for FY2016 ? 2017

FY2016 Goal: To enroll 10 clients a month over a 12 month duration

FY2016 Goal: All clients will have a physical and wellness exam upon admission

FY2016 Goal: 75% of all clients will remain substance free while residing in the program

FY2016 Goal: 75% of all clients will enter into permanent housing upon discharge from the program

Identification and Retention of Population

The Transition House maintains long-term and formalized relationships with the Justice Department, Veterans Mental Health Court, Drug Court in the surrounding Florida counties, as well as with local jails, the Florida Department of Corrections facilities throughout the state of Florida and the Veterans Administrations throughout Florida. We utilize a program structure that will take men out of homelessness and we work to provide the tools and resources for them to obtain coping skills and vocational skills to get them readjusted back into the community and into permanent housing or back with their families.

Utilizing electronic health records we are able to track outcomes at time of discharge up to 12 months or longer. This helps us to determine relapse rate, and recidivism rates.

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

Federal: 1,441,382

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