



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2231

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

A pilot within the Florida Department of Corrections (FDC) to implement search and analytics technology to increase safety and security within correctional institutions. FDC will be able to meaningfully lower crime rates, promote recidivism reduction, and address inmate mental health. FDC will be at the forefront of aggregating authorized communications for intelligence and information to help keep communities across Florida safer.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	5,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	5,000,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.



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### Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

**11. Status of Construction**

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning    
  Design    
  Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

**12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.**

**13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended**

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	The Department will contract with a third-party service to provide FDC with continuous monitoring technology at approximately 22 correctional institutions to detect criminal trends and inmate welfare patterns. The technology provides search and analytics services to monitor authorized communications. The service enhancement will bolster public safety and provide critical supplemental support to staff within the Florida prison system.	5,000,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>5,000,000</b>

**14. Program Performance**

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?



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Protect the general public from harm - Intelligence gathered will combat violent street gangs, drug trafficking organizations, security threat groups, continuing criminal enterprises, and human trafficking networks. As part of the planned implementation, the technology will help address and reduce criminal activity throughout Florida, keeping our communities safer.

Improve mental health - Intelligence gathered will help identify in real time inmates who may be experiencing mental health episodes to include suicide prevention. As part of the planned implementation, the technology will notify identified staff to assist and intervene when inmates are identified with mental health concerns or suicidal tendencies.

Reduce recidivism - The actionable intelligence and assistance gained from this important public safety technology will improve safety and security within correctional institutions which will help reduce instances of further crime or disciplinary reports received by inmates.

**b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?**

The contracted service is integrated with correctional facilities' inmate communications systems to increase safety in the prison system. It transcribes authorized communications into text in near real time, which allows the communications to be easily searched using keywords or phrases. End users can save keywords which are then alerted to the user for actionable intelligence.

**c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?**

Intelligence gathered will combat the introduction of contraband into correctional facilities, identify and suppress violent street gangs, drug trafficking organizations, security threat groups, continuing criminal enterprises, and human trafficking networks. The contracted resource will also help identify inmates who may be experiencing mental health episodes to include suicide prevention.

**d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?**

Currently or formerly incarcerated person; drug offenders (in criminal justice); victims of crime; persons with poor mental health; and the public at large will benefit from the usage of this important public safety technology.

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**e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?**

Increased safety and security within correctional institutions that will meaningfully lower crime rates, promote recidivism reduction, and address inmate mental health. FDC will be at the forefront of aggregating authorized communications for intelligence and information to help keep communities across Florida safer.

The Department will receive regularly scheduled summary reports detailing the services findings, tracking incidents discovered and calculating resource savings generated.

**f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?**

Standard contract penalties are sufficient.

**15. Requester Contact Information**

a. First Name  Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.

**16. Recipient Contact Information**

a. Organization



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**b. Municipality and County**

**c. Organization Type**

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

**d. First Name**  **Last Name**

**e. E-mail Address**

**f. Phone Number**

**17. Lobbyist Contact Information**

**a. Name**

**b. Firm Name**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**