

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
DCF RFA 2526 024
CRIMINAL JUSTICE, MENTAL HEALTH, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE REINVESTMENT
GRANT PROGRAM

ADDENDUM No. 02
ADDENDUM Date: April 1, 2026
Response(s) Due Date: May 01, 2026

DCF RFA 2526 024, CRIMINAL JUSTICE, MENTAL HEALTH, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE REINVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM is hereby amended as follows, all other terms and conditions of the solicitation remain in effect. All additions are highlighted in yellow, and words ~~stricken~~ are deletions:

Change No. 1

1.9. Questions related to the solicitation and the evaluations of the application should be directed only to: **Joshua Burns** ~~Alicia Reifinger~~, Procurement Officer

Change No. 2

Exhibit E:

For fiscally constrained counties, and a consortium of fiscally constrained counties, **match is not required** ~~the available match resources must be at least 50% of the total amount of the grant all of which may be in-kind.~~ See **Appendix F** for a list of fiscally constrained counties.

Change No. 3

Section B

1.1.1 Applications must be formatted single-spaced, **font size 11**, for 8-1/2" x 11" paper, presented in a single electronic file. Applications should be typed and single-spaced. All pages should be sequentially numbered. It is recognized that existing financial reports, documents, or brochures, may not comply with the prescribed format. They will be accepted in current form and not reformatted. Figures, charts, and tables should be numbered and referenced by number in the text.

Department's Response to Written Inquires:

Question #	Vendor Name	Solicitation Section	Question	Department Response
1	Innovative Solutions for the 21st Century		Who is the designated County Planning Council/Committee lead for Lake County for this RFA?	Information on The Lake County Public Safety Coordinating Council (PSCC) is available at: https://lakecountyfl.gov/boards-and-committees/public-safety-coordinating-council
2	Innovative Solutions for the 21st Century		The appropriate process for inclusion as a subcontractor or partner in the county's application?	Designation from the county PSCC is required if applying on behalf of the county.
3	Human Services Martin County BOCC		We currently have a contract with our Managing Entity for our county's allocations of the Opioid Settlement dollars. In that contract, part of our approved uses of the opioid settlement funds is to support our diversion court programs. While there are many other ways those funds are being used as well, they have been helping support costs associated with our Mental Health Court program. We would like to apply for an expansion grant for our Mental Health Court program, but we wanted to see if this contract with our Managing Entity would impact our eligibility for the DCF RFA 2526 024 CJMHSA Reinvestment Grant Program.	A county, or its designee, may submit an application to implement a new program addressing a new target population, distinct from any programs supported by an existing award. The application must contain all elements specified in the solicitation and may not rely upon any information submitted separately as a condition of the prior grant agreement.
4	Human Services Martin County BOCC		Are Opioid Settlement Funds allowed to be used as match dollars for the DCF RFA 2526 024 CJMHSA Reinvestment Grant?	No. Opioid Settlement Funds are considered State funds and therefore are not allowable as match. See Exhibit E , which requires matching funds to be from sources other than State funds.
5	Sarasota County Health		Is it possible for Sarasota County to have two or more concurrent DCF Reinvestment grants (with different RFA	No, only one application may be submitted per county.

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	and Human Services		numbers, on different grant cycles, for different projects) with two or more different non-profit applicants?	
6	Sarasota County Health and Human Services		Is it possible for Sarasota County to have two or more concurrent DCF Reinvestment grants (with different RFA numbers, on different grant cycles, for different projects) with the same non-profit applicant?	No, concurrent grants are unallowable.
7	Sarasota County Health and Human Services		Is it allowable for Sarasota County to use the same CJMHSA Planning Council to oversee all concurrent DCF Reinvestment grants?	Refer to the response to Question #6.
8	Thrive IRC, INC.		If a county has previously received a planning grant, are they eligible to apply for a planning grant again? The prior planning grant award was received in 2019.	Yes.
9	University of South Florida		In section 8 it states that fiscally constrained counties are not required to meet match. We expected to see this given recent changes in the statute. However, Appendix E states "For fiscally constrained counties, and a consortium of fiscally constrained counties, the available match resources must be at least 50% of the total amount of the grant all of which may be in-kind. See Appendix F for a list of fiscally constrained counties." I am certain we will get questions about this from prospective applicants. Was this in error or is the expectation that match is still required for fiscally constrained counties but they can focus solely on in-kind vs. any cash? I ask because the guidance we have given thus far based on the statute has been that there would be no match for those counties listed in Appendix F.	Refer to Change No. 2.

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10	Bridgeway Center, Inc.		Are Planning grant funds disbursed to the entity designated to apply for the RFA on behalf of a county, or are funds awarded to the county represented? In other words, is the recipient of the funds the county, or the county's designated representative who applied on their behalf?	Funds would be disbursed directly to the entity the Department executes a Contract with.
11	Broward Behavioral Health Coalition		This question is based on Addendum No. 01, Addendum Dated February 23, 2026, Change No. 1, Section 6: Timeline. The anticipated posting of grant award(s) has been updated from 5/26/2026 to 07/01/2026. When is an awardee expected to begin services after the procurement protocols required and post contract negotiation and contract award? The sections below give guidance but we are trying to clarify based on the updated anticipated grant award date: <i>Section 8.2.2 Implementation and Expansion Grants states that "Grant Maximum: \$1,200,000 per county. Project Period: 36 months."</i> <i>Section 11, 11. TERM - 11.1 The anticipated start date of the resulting Contract will be determined once awarded, based on the</i> <i>Applicants preferred project start date during state fiscal years 2025- 2026 or 2026-2027, and the Applicant's readiness to implement the proposed project . The anticipated duration of the Contract is based on the type of the application. Planning Grants are for one (1) year and Expansion Grants are for three (3) years]. Renewal, if any, shall</i> <i>comply with ?287.057(14), F.S.</i>	Services are expected to begin upon the effective date listed in Section 1.2., Effective and End Date, listed in the Contract resulting from this solicitation.

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12	Broward Behavioral Health Coalition		The next set of questions relate to the budget: If the anticipated start date is, for example, October (or another month), should the applicant still propose a 12-month budget for the first year of the grant period or does the applicant request a budget that reflects a 9-month (or other time frame) budget for Year 1 of the grant? How does that affect the funding award and budget draw down for the three-year period of the grant? Section 8.2.2 Implementation and Expansion Grants states that “Grant Maximum: \$1,200,000 per county. Project Period: 36 months. The maximum allowable grant award per county is \$400,000.00 per year for a total of \$1,200,000 for the 36-month period. Grant funding must be spent within 36 months from the execution of a Grant Agreement by the Department.” Will the project period still be 36 months or will the project period end at an identified date noted in the negotiated contract? Will it be prorated to reflect the entire grant award in three equal amounts or is that up to the applicant to propose or will that be negotiated at the time of funding award and contract negotiation? Based on agreed contract terms, will the applicant/awardee have to revise the proposed scope of work? Will the matching contributions be expected to match dollar for dollar within the new grant award period for each year consistent with the contract amount awarded for each of the three years? For example, if Year 1 of the grant funding is \$300,000 and the match is \$300,000, and Year 2 of the grant funding is \$500,000 is the match then \$500,000?	Applicants should propose a 36-month budget regardless of the anticipated start date.
13	Broward Behavioral Health Coalition		The next set of questions relate to the Programmatic Portion of the Grant - related to “Section 4.4.3.2 of the RFA: The application must include a Project Design and Implementation.”	Applicants should propose a Project Design and implementation Program for 36

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			• If the anticipated start date is, for example, October (or another month) should the applicant still propose a 12-month timeline for the proposed planning activities and expected milestones for Year 01 of the grant period? • Is it expected that the applicant proposes a 9-month (or prorated timeframe) for the timeline of services for the proposed planning activities and expected milestones for Year 1 of the grant period? • Is it expected that the applicant proposes a 9-month (or prorated timeframe) for the program services for Year 1 of the grant period? • Is it expected that the applicant proposes a 9-month (or prorated timeframe) for the numbers served?	months regardless of the anticipated start date.
14	Broward Behavioral Health Coalition		The next set of questions relate to the proposal's format. The RFA states in Section 1.1 Format for Submitting an Application 1.1.2 Applications must be formatted single-spaced, for 8-1/2" x 11" paper, presented in a single electronic file. Applications should be typed and single-spaced. All pages should be sequentially numbered. It is recognized that existing financial reports, documents, or brochures, may not comply with the prescribed format. They will be accepted in current form and not reformatted. Figures, charts, and tables should be numbered and referenced by number in the text. • Is there a specified font type that is to be used? • Is the size of the font expected to be size 12 or can the applicant use font size 11?	Refer to Change No. 3.

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15	Charlotte County (Charlotte Behavioral Health Center)		We currently have a PSCC but they do not meet again until April, and the application deadline for this program is March 19th. My question is, is the county able to apply on their behalf, and pass funds through to CBHC as a sub-grantee? And what form of documentation would you require showing that the application is approved by either the Board of County Commissioners, or the PSCC?	Please see Section 4.2.2. of this RFA and Addendum No.01 that contain updates to the timeline.
16	The Flick Framework		We are seeking clarification regarding the use of existing State General Revenue funds (DCF contract administered through the local managing entity) as potential match for the proposed AOT reinvestment grant. Over the past year, our DCF general revenue allocation has been reduced while service demand particularly for Baker Act and Marchman Act populations—has remained consistent. As a result, CBHC has absorbed increased uncompensated care to maintain the same service capacity and census levels. If awarded, the reinvestment grant would allow us to stabilize and sustain services for this high-utilizer population. Without the additional funding, we would likely need to scale back services due to continued erosion of general revenue and rising uncompensated care. Given this context: • May existing DCF general revenue expenditures that are currently supporting the AOT-eligible population be counted as match, provided they are documented and attributable to the target population? • Would this be considered allowable match if the reinvestment funds expand, stabilize, or prevent reduction of services, rather than replace currently	Refer to the response to Question #4.

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			budgeted line items? What documentation would be required to clearly demonstrate that the proposed funding supplements rather than supplants existing resources?	
17	Hillsborough County Criminal Justice Grants Coordination Unit		Regarding, 4.5.5.4 The Applicant shall electronically submit all data to the Department quarterly (every three months), as further directed by the terms of their Grant Agreement. The Applicant may delegate this responsibility to a primary behavioral health service provider responsible for treatment services under a subaward. FASAMS 155-2 is available at: https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/samh/FASAMS/fasams-155-2-version-14current Will applicants be allowed an exemption regarding these data requirements if they are not asking for direct treatment supports?	Yes.
18	SMA Healthcare		What is the page limit for Tab 5: Approach and Capability?	There is no page limit.
19	SMA Healthcare		Tab 4 requires a description of key activities, yet Tab 5 also requests "Proposed Activities," which appears redundant. • Can DCF clarify how the expectations for Tab 4 and Tab 5 differ, specifically regarding the level of detail and the type of activities to be included in each section? This clarification is important to ensure that the content is not duplicative and that page limits are met.	The key activities in Tab 4 should be at a high level. Proposed activities in Tab 5 should include detail.
20	SMA Healthcare		Tab 5 appears significantly different from previous CJMHSA grant formats and contains elements similar to Tab 4. • Can DCF clarify whether any portions of Tab 4 should be abbreviated or expanded to avoid exceeding required page limits?	Refer to the response to Question #19.

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21	SMA Healthcare		On page 13 of the RFA, items 4.5.3.2 through 4.5.3.5 are indented under 4.5.3.1. • Should 4.5.3.1 be indented to align with 4.5.3.2–4.5.3.5 under section 4.5.3, or is the current formatting intentional?	The indentation is unintentional.
22	SMA Healthcare		Placement of the Strategic Plan from the SIM: • Do you prefer the SIM Strategic Plan to appear within the body of Tab 4, or should it be included as an attachment in the supporting documentation? The plan spans seven landscape formatted pages, which differs from the portrait layout and font requirements of the main application. Please confirm whether this variance is acceptable.	The RFA does not specify portrait orientation. The Strategic Plan should be included in Tab 4.
23	SMA Healthcare		I noticed the Procurement Officer named is Alician Reifinger yet the email address is a different name, Joshua Burns. Just want to be sure the correct person is being notified of the questions.	Refer to Change No.1.