

Executive Summary: The **Pinellas SHARE** (Substance Abuse/Mental Health Treatment, Housing, Access to Reentry and Employment) initiative will increase public safety and improve the accessibility and effectiveness of treatment services for Pinellas County adults participating in housing services programs who have a mental illness, substance use disorder, or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders through a combination of treatment and employment initiatives including transportation specific to returning citizens or those involved or at risk of involvement with the criminal justice system.

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Program abstract, description and related activities: The Pinellas SHARE program will be a collaboration between the Pinellas Ex Offender Reentry Coalition (PERC), the Homeless Empowerment Program (HEP), St. Petersburg College (SPC), CareerSource Tampa Bay, Mind the Gap Together, Life from the Inside Out and other partners to provide a minimum of 120 (40 per year) adult clients with a focus of those releasing from sentence out of the Pinellas County Jail or the Florida Department of Corrections and participating in housing services programs with comprehensive case management, outpatient substance abuse and mental health assessment and treatment, peer support groups, evaluation and services in workforce training initiatives including both job placement and transportation. Additional partners (to be named at application) will be coordinated with to provide medically assisted treatment services at two locations in South and North Pinellas County based on office location and census tract data identifying highest need.

Number and population being served: 120 (40 per year) adult male and female ages 18 or older who have a mental illness, substance use disorder, or cooccurring disorders and who are in, or at risk of entering the criminal justice system

Expected outcomes: 120 (40 per year) adult returning citizens will be provided with comprehensive case management, outpatient substance abuse and mental health assessment and treatment, peer support groups, evaluation and services in workforce training initiatives including both job placement and transportation for a minimum of 12 months leading to stabilized housing, treatment provision, training and employment placement support.

List of partnering organizations and associated roles: PERC: Case Management, Outpatient SA evaluation and treatment, client source through housing program, employment development; HEP: client sources through housing program; SPC: certification training; CSTB: employment placement and Employ Florida, employment development, Mind the Gap Together- Mental Health assessment and treatment, Life from the Inside Out-peer led reentry focused support groups

Program Budget Requested and statement of ability to comply with all the requirements of the grant, including match requirements for each of the three years: PERC will request the full amount, \$1.2 million, \$400,000 per year for three years and has already identified program match of \$400,000 per year with its program partners, which will be a mix of cash and in kind

Grant writing capacity to complete the full application by March 19, 2026: PERC and its partners have the capacity to complete the full application before the due date and time