

TRIUMPH GULF COAST, INC. PRE-APPLICATION FORM

Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. (“Triumph Gulf Coast”) has created a pre-application process to provide initial consideration of eligibility for potential ideas of projects or programs that may seek an award of funding. Applicants are required to participate in the pre-application process. Notwithstanding the response from Triumph Gulf Coast on the pre-application form, an Applicant may still elect to submit an Application.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Individual/Entity/Organization: Freedom Life Compass, Inc. DBA Freedom Life Recovery Center
Proposal Title: Life Recovery Center
Amount of Triumph Funds Requested: \$150,000
Total Estimated Project Cost: 5 year plan \$410,000

Brief Description of Individual/Entity/Organization:

Freedom Life Recovery Center will provide life skills training and resources to individuals in Okaloosa county, FL. We are opening a womens recovery home providing a 6 mth residential program as well as continue to provide resources and life skills training to our community. We have secured the building and are requesting funds for the renovation. Our Life Recovery Center will help end the visious cycle of homelessness, addiction and lack of life skills in Okaloosa county!

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Names of co-applicants, partners or other entities, organizations that will have a role in the proposed project or program: Affordable Homes Inc.

REQUIRED EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In a maximum of two (2) pages, please describe the proposed project or program and anticipated outcomes including (i) the amount of funds being sought from Triumph Gulf Coast; (ii) the amount and identity of other sources of funds for the proposed project or program; (iii) the location of the project or program; (iv) summary description of the proposed program, including how the program will be transformational and promote economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties, and (v) a summary timeline for the proposed project or program.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This pre-application process will **not** result in an award of funding by Triumph Gulf Coast. Rather, this process is designed to facilitate submission of ideas for potential projects or programs before the Applicant expends time and/or resources to complete a full Application. All Applicants for funding are required to complete an Application, which will be reviewed and then considered for award at the discretion of Triumph Gulf Coast Board.

Please Select the Proposal’s Eligibility Category(s)

Pursuant to Section 288.8017, Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. was created to make awards from available funds to projects or programs that meet the priorities for economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties. The disproportionately affected counties are: Bay County, Escambia County, Franklin County, Gulf County, Okaloosa County, Santa Rosa County, Walton County, or Wakulla County. *See*, Section 288.08012.

1. From the choices below, please check the box that describes the purpose of the proposed project or program (check all that apply):

- Ad valorem tax rate reduction within disproportionately affected counties;
- Local match requirements of s. 288.0655 for projects in the disproportionately affected counties;
- Public infrastructure projects for construction, expansion, or maintenance which are shown to enhance economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties;
- Grants to local governments in the disproportionately affected counties to establish and maintain equipment and trained personnel for local action plans of response to respond to disasters, such as plans created for the Coastal Impacts Assistance Program;
- Grants to support programs that prepare students for future occupations and careers at K-20 institutions that have campuses in the disproportionately affected counties. Eligible programs include those that increase students’ technology skills and knowledge; encourage industry certifications; provide rigorous, alternative pathways for students to meet high school graduation requirements; strengthen career readiness initiatives; fund high-demand programs of emphasis at the bachelor’s and master’s level designated by the Board of Governors; and, similar to or the same as talent retention programs created by the Chancellor of the State University System and the Commission of Education, encourage students with interest or aptitude for science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medical disciplines to pursue postsecondary education at a state university or a Florida College System institution within the disproportionately affected counties;
- Grants to support programs that provide participants in the disproportionately affected counties with transferable, sustainable workforce skills that are not confined to a single employer; and
- Grants to the tourism entity created under s. 288.1226 for the purpose of advertising and promoting tourism and Fresh From Florida, and grants to promote workforce and infrastructure, on behalf of all of the disproportionately affected counties.

Please Select the Priorities this Proposal's Outcomes will Achieve

1. Please check the box if the proposed project or program will meet any of the following priorities (check all that apply):

- Generate maximum estimated economic benefits, based on tools and models not generally employed by economic input-output analyses, including cost-benefit, return-on-investment, or dynamic scoring techniques to determine how the long-term economic growth potential of the disproportionately affected counties may be enhanced by the investment.
- Increase household income in the disproportionately affected counties above national average household income.
- Leverage or further enhance key regional assets, including educational institutions, research facilities, and military bases.
- Partner with local governments to provide funds, infrastructure, land, or other assistance for the project.
- Benefit the environment, in addition to the economy.
- Provide outcome measures.
- Partner with K-20 educational institutions or school districts located within the disproportionately affected counties as of January 1, 2017.
- Are recommended by the board of county commissioners of the county in which the project or program will be located.
- Partner with convention and visitor bureaus, tourist development councils, or chambers of commerce located within the disproportionately affected counties.

APPLICATION OUTLINE

- A. Project Overview; Summary Timeline**
 - a. Phase One by April 2020
 - b. Phase Two by September 2020
- B. Summary description of the proposed program and how it will be transformational**
 - a. Population of Focus and Statement of Need
 - b. Proposed Implementation & Assessment Approach
- C. The amount being sought \$150,000**

Amount and identify other sources of funds \$260,000

 - a. Investor for property \$120,000
 - b. Fundraising efforts \$50,000
 - c. Rental Space on premise
 - d. Thrift Store operations on premise
- D. Location of the project & Initial Budget**
 - a. 444 Valparaiso Parkway, Valparaiso, FL 32580
 - b. 2020 budget overview; narrative available

A. Project Overview

Phase One- construction and renovation of front corridor of property (Life Skills Center) Proposed completion date 4.30.20

1. Renovations to front building for ADA compliance
2. Open Freedom Thrift Store & Office rental space (generate passive income to fund the program)
3. Open Freedom Life Skills Training & Resource Center (provide needed skills & resources)

Phase Two- construction and renovation of back corridor of property (Recovery Home) Proposed Completion date 9.30.20

1. Renovations to back building for habitability and ADA/OHSA compliance
2. Open Freedom Women's Recovery Home (12 beds 6-month residential program)
3. Begin implementation of programs and save lives!

Freedom Life Recovery Home and Life Skills Training & Resource center

we can begin to change the epidemic of lost lives to addiction and the vicious circle of unmet educational needs that leads to it. The Training & Resource center will effect lasting change by equipping the community with the resources needed to change lives and prevent relapse. The 6-month residential recovery home will allow women to break the cycle of addiction and dysfunction in their lives and the lives of their families. Using Peer counselling and our recovery community, people with SUD will have access to support and recovery programs.

A Population of Focus and Statement of Need

1. Okaloosa County, Florida and the surrounding areas. Okaloosa county's population surpassed 200,000 residents for the first time in 2016 and has a growing drug problem to match. They will benefit from Freedom Life Recovery Center project. According to the Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council's 2016 Annual Report, the rate of deaths from drug overdoses since 2000 has increased 137 percent, including a 200 percent increase in the rate of overdose deaths involving opioids.**

Local officials say the opioids/mental health crisis encompasses all demographics, and a huge part of its fallout are the scores of dual-diagnosed people who often are not drug dealers but suffer with substance abuse and mental health issues and get locked up in the overcrowded county jail in Crestview. Average daily inmate population: 725* Jail inmate capacity: 594 Inmates with substance/mental issues: more than 50% *Inmate recidivism rate: 65%*

According to the council's report, deaths caused by heroin and fentanyl increased 30 percent and 97 percent, respectively, in Florida in 2016 compared to the prior year. The report also states there were 5,725 opioid-related deaths reported in 2016, which is a 35 percent increase when compared to 2015, and there were 6,658 people died with at least one prescription drug in their system, a 24 percent jump. Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office reported a total of 25 deaths last year from drug overdoses, including prescription drug overdoses. And from 2014-16, OCSO reported a 386 percent increase in heroin- and fentanyl-related arrests.

Sources: **OPIOID CRISIS in OKALOOSA: Applying brakes to the cycle-By Tony Judnich Posted Apr 7, 2018 at 12:00 PM Updated Apr 10, 2018 *asterisks indicate estimates by Okaloosa County Jail officials Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council's 2016 Annual Report

B – Proposed Implementation Approach

1. Equipping local law enforcement and first responders with recovery materials and resources to ensure the homeless population is made aware of the available recovery support teams.
2. Increase the capacity of the local government to reduce high-risk behaviors that may contribute to substance abuse by Providing life skills training to the community to improve their ability to break the cycle of generational SUD and equip the population to become productive members of society.
3. Increase awareness of available programs by providing resource packets and recovery materials to the public and local community organizations.
4. Decrease rate of relapse by working directly with the local Jail to provide peer counseling and resources to the inmates.
5. Successfully graduate 12 residents per year from the 6-month residential program.
6. Council and provide training to 300 people annually
7. Provide recovery support services to individuals; services include but are not limited to: employment coaching; recovery coaching; linkages to housing; recovery housing services; and care navigation services- all will be provided in the Life Skills Training and Resource center.
8. Provide support to families of individuals with SUDs or co-occurring mental and SUDs in the form of support groups, education, and navigation services through our resource center.
9. by successfully graduating students from our program and transitioning them to staff or internship programs within the recovery home.
10. Open thrift store for passive revenue to operate programs
11. Rent office space for additional passive income

FREEDOM LIFE RECOVERY CENTER - NARRATIVE

YEAR ONE BUDGET SUMMARY

Category	Year 1	
Personnel	\$78,000	
Equipment	\$23,693	
Supplies	\$20,000	
Contractual	\$120,000	INVESTOR WILLING TO SECURE UNTIL OPERATIONAL AND ABLE TO REPURCHASE
Renovations	\$23,700	
Transportation	\$4,000	
Total YEAR 1 Project Costs	\$269,393	BUDGET FOR COMPLETION OF PHASE ONE & TWO
INVESTOR DOWN PAYMENT	\$120,000	DEDUCT INVESTOR CONTRIBUTION FOR YEAR 1
OPERATING EXP	\$169,393	NEEDED FUNDS

