

Financial Stability Legal Services 2022-2023

Proposed Recipient: Gulfcoast Legal Services

Address of Recipient: 501 1st Ave N., Suite 420, St. Petersburg FL 33701

Amount of the Request: \$139,461

Explanation of Request: Funding would be used to provide free civil legal aid to low-income households in Pinellas County who are at risk of experiencing homelessness. Legal services will include, but are not limited to, benefit issues, evictions, collections, financial exploitation, fraud/scams, and fees/fines/interest. As the cost of living rises, low-income households are at increasing risk of eviction, foreclosure, and/or financial instability. Providing free legal aid helps families and individuals avoid these catastrophic events and places less financial strain on social safety nets.