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	AGY FIN REQ	AGY AMD REQ	AGY AMD N/R	AGY AMD ANZ	AGY FIN REQ	
	FY 2017-18	FY 2017-18	FY 2017-18	FY 2017-18	FY 2017-18	
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	CODES
CHILDREN & FAMILIES						60000000
SERVICES						60910000
PGM: ECON SELF SUFFICIENCY						60910700
ECONOMIC SELF SUFFICIENCY						60910708
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES						13
SERVICES/MOST VULNERABLE						1304.00.00.00
ADJUSTMENTS TO CURRENT YEAR						
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES						1600000
TRANSFER EXPENSES TO OTHER PERSONAL						
SERVICES FOR THE STATE OFFICE ON						
HOMELESSNESS - ADD						160F250
OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES						030000
GENERAL REVENUE FUND -STATE		82,000			82,000	1000 1

AGENCY ISSUE NARRATIVE:
 2017-2018 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: IT COMPONENT? NO
 Amended 2017-18 Narrative after February 2, 2017

ISSUE TITLE:
 Transfer Expenses to Other Personal Services for the State Office on Homelessness - Add

SPECIFY WHICH DEPARTMENT GOAL FROM THE FISCAL YEARS 2017-2018 THROUGH 2021-2022 STRATEGIC PLAN IS ADDRESSED BY THIS BUDGET ISSUE PROPOSAL:
 Increase Capacity of Professional Staff to Better Meet the Needs of the Vulnerable Floridians

SUMMARY:
 The Department requests the transfer of Expenses category budget authority in the amount of \$82,000 in General Revenue to the Other Personal Services (OPS) category within the Economic Self Sufficiency budget entity. The State Office on Homelessness will use the budget to hire two positions to perform new duties associated with the 2016 Legislature's passing of Senate Bill 1534 (Chapter 2016-210, Laws of Florida) and new Federal requirements for administration of the Emergency Solutions Grant.

PROBLEM STATEMENT:
 Within the 2016 Legislative Session, Senate Bill 1534 was passed, placing new requirements on the Department of Children and Families State Office on Homelessness (Office). In summary, the Office is required to:
 Develop a system to collect and analyze data from the 27 statewide Homeless Continuums of Care (CoCs) to assess trends and impacts of the work to end homelessness
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 Work with the Florida Council on Homelessness to establish performance measures and specific objectives by which to evaluate performance and outcomes of the CoC organizations receiving Challenge Grant funding
 Base Challenge Grant funding in part on the CoC lead agencies' overall performance and achievement of specified objectives. (Council on Homeless 2016 Annual Report, page 11)

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CHILDREN & FAMILIES						60000000
SERVICES						60910000
PGM: ECON SELF SUFFICIENCY						60910700
ECONOMIC SELF SUFFICIENCY						60910708
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES						13
SERVICES/MOST VULNERABLE						1304.00.00.00
ADJUSTMENTS TO CURRENT YEAR ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES						1600000
TRANSFER EXPENSES TO OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES FOR THE STATE OFFICE ON HOMELESSNESS - ADD						160F250

The Department also receives United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding through the Office on Homelessness. As a recipient, the Office is subject to new accomplishment reporting requirements as a result of HUD's redesign of reporting screens within its electronic management system. The new screens in the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) are designed to align with the CoC's programs Annual Performance Report and is a step in the process of gathering comprehensive, nationwide data that shows the impact of the ESG program across the country.(Emergency Solutions Grants Program CAPER Reporting and eCart Guide, page 2)

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WHAT BENEFITS WILL BE OBTAINED BY FUNDING THIS ISSUE:

This transfer will realign the Department's budget authority with anticipated expenditures.

FLORIDA STRATEGIC PLAN FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Not Applicable.

RETURN ON INVESTMENT:

Not applicable

COST CALCULATIONS:

State Office on Homelessness OPS Budget Appropriation \$ 73,915

CLASS TITLE	BI-WEEKLY RATE	BI-WEEKLY FICA (1.45%)	HEALTH INSURANCE	PRETAX ADMIN ASSESSMENT	ANNUAL COST
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT I OPS	\$1,459.20	\$21.16	\$357.27	\$0.13	\$ 47,966
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS CONSULTANT I OPS	\$1,280.00	\$18.56	\$632.03	\$3.67	\$ 50,484
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS CONSULTANT I OPS	\$1,520.00	\$22.04	\$632.03	\$3.67	\$ 56,839
Total					\$155,289

OPS Category Budget Shortfall (Budget minus annual OPS cost) (\$ 81,374)*

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ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES					1600000
TRANSFER EXPENSES TO OTHER PERSONAL					
SERVICES FOR THE STATE OFFICE ON					
HOMELESSNESS - ADD					160F250

* Total transfer request was rounded up to \$82,000

State Office on Homelessness Expenses Category Budget Appropriation	\$176,758
Projected Annual Expenses Need	(\$ 93,801)

Expenses Category Surplus (Budget minus annual need)	\$ 82,957

Approved budget amendment EOG Log Number B7127, February 23, 2017
 Summary: This is a new issue.

TRANSFER EXPENSES TO OTHER PERSONAL					
SERVICES FOR THE STATE OFFICE ON					
HOMELESSNESS - DEDUCT					160F260
EXPENSES					040000
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	-STATE	82,000-		82,000-	1000 1
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CHILDREN & FAMILIES										60000000
SERVICES										60910000
PGM: ECON SELF SUFFICIENCY										60910700
ECONOMIC SELF SUFFICIENCY										60910708
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES										13
SERVICES/MOST VULNERABLE										<u>1304.00.00.00</u>
ADJUSTMENTS TO CURRENT YEAR ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES										1600000
TRANSFER EXPENSES TO OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES FOR THE STATE OFFICE ON HOMELESSNESS - DEDUCT										160F260

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CHILDREN & FAMILIES						60000000
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PGM: ECON SELF SUFFICIENCY						60910700
ECONOMIC SELF SUFFICIENCY						60910708
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES						13
SERVICES/MOST VULNERABLE						1304.00.00.00
AGENCY STRATEGIC PRIORITIES						4000000
NONRELATIVE CAREGIVER PROGRAM						
GROWTH						4007200
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PAYMT						110000
NONRELATIVE CARE GIVER						110013
GENERAL REVENUE FUND -STATE	548,774	3,872,479			3,323,705	1000 1

AGENCY ISSUE NARRATIVE:
 2017-2018 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE: IT COMPONENT? NO
 ISSUE TITLE: Non-Relative Caregiver Program Growth

SPECIFY WHICH DEPARTMENT GOAL FROM THE FISCAL YEARS 2017-2018 THROUGH 2021-2022 STRATEGIC PLAN IS ADDRESSED BY THIS BUDGET ISSUE PROPOSAL:

Keep Vulnerable Children and Families Safe through Improved Assessment of Risks and More Meaningful Engagement with Families and Communities

SUMMARY:

The Department requests \$548,774 of General Revenue budget authority (\$256,155 in nonrecurring and \$292,619 in recurring) to provide for growth of the Nonrelative Caregiver (NRC) program. Effective July 1, 2014, the Florida Legislature expanded the Relative Caregiver Program in s. 39.5085, Florida Statutes, to include nonrelative caregivers. The Legislature made a commitment to assist nonrelatives who assume court-ordered custody and care of a dependent child in the role of a substitute parent because of a court's determination of child abuse, neglect or abandonment.

PROBLEM STATEMENT:

The Legislature recognizes that some children have a close relationship with a person who is not a relative, and that this person should qualify for financial assistance to reduce the financial burden of providing the child with a safe, stable home environment. Absent financial assistance, many nonrelative caregivers would not be able to continue in their role of substitute parents. As noted in s. 39.5085(2)a)3, F.S., the dependent child is exposed to the trauma of placement in a shelter or in foster care when caregivers are unable to serve in the capacity of a substitute parent because of financial burden.

Due to the continued increase of children entering out-of-home care, the number of children being placed with nonrelative

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AGY FIN REQ FY 2017-18	AGY AMD REQ FY 2017-18	AGY AMD REQ FY 2017-18	AGY AMD N/R FY 2017-18	AGY AMD ANZ FY 2017-18	AGY AMD ANZ FY 2017-18	AGY FIN REQ FY 2017-18	AGY FIN REQ FY 2017-18	AGY AMD REQ FY 2017-18	AGY AMD REQ FY 2017-18	
POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	POS	AMOUNT	
CHILDREN & FAMILIES										60000000
SERVICES										60910000
PGM: ECON SELF SUFFICIENCY										60910700
ECONOMIC SELF SUFFICIENCY										60910708
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES										13
SERVICES/MOST VULNERABLE										<u>1304.00.00.00</u>
AGENCY STRATEGIC PRIORITIES										4000000
NONRELATIVE CAREGIVER PROGRAM										
GROWTH										4007200

Caregivers has increased. In May 2014, two months prior to the program's inception, there were 19,507 children in out-of-home care. As of May 2016, there are 23,180 children in out-of-home care. The percentage of children placed into non-relative care has increased from 8.43% in May 2014 to 11% in May 2016. Meanwhile, the percentage of children placed in family foster homes and group care has slightly decreased during that same time frame.

The NRC program has steadily grown since its inception, with 2,012 children receiving assistance as of May 2016. The average monthly expenditure per child is \$255.20. The Department is projected to spend the entire \$4.8 million during FY 2016-17, leaving no room for growth in FY 2017-18. The requested funds will allow the nonrelative caregivers who are currently receiving NRC program funds to continue, as well as allow for growth of the NRC program as new children become eligible for the program.

WHAT BENEFITS WILL BE OBTAINED BY FUNDING THIS ISSUE:

For a number of children, guardianship or placement with relatives or nonrelatives may be an appropriate permanency option. These permanency options allow for the preservation of family connections by giving children an opportunity to be raised within the context of the family's culture, values, and history. The NRC program is a mechanism for the state's ongoing commitment to support this option for children and de-emphasize the use of licensed out-of-home placement. According to The Evolution of Kinship Care Policy and Practice (Geen, 2014), children in kinship care have more frequent contact with birth parents and siblings, and are more likely to be placed with their siblings. Children in kinship care also maintain a greater level of connection with their communities and are able to remain more closely connected with their cultural heritage.

Placing children in families with whom they are familiar also reduces the trauma of out-of-home care. Children placed in kinship care (relatives or non-relatives who have an existing relationship with the child) had fewer behavioral problems three years after placement than children who were placed into foster care (The Impact of Kinship Care on Behavioral Well-being for Children in Out-of-Home Care, 2008).

FLORIDA STRATEGIC PLAN FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

- 24. Support and sustain statewide and regional partnerships to accomplish Florida's economic and quality of life goals.
- 25. Improve the efficiency and effectiveness of government agencies at all levels.
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RETURN ON INVESTMENT:

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CHILDREN & FAMILIES						60000000
SERVICES						60910000
PGM: ECON SELF SUFFICIENCY						60910700
<u>ECONOMIC SELF SUFFICIENCY</u>						60910708
<u>HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES</u>						13
<u>SERVICES/MOST VULNERABLE</u>						<u>1304.00.00.00</u>
AGENCY STRATEGIC PRIORITIES						4000000
NONRELATIVE CAREGIVER PROGRAM						
GROWTH						4007200

The NRC program also reduces the cost of care of children compared to those who remain in foster care longterm. Children in longterm foster care require a higher cost of care based on placement types such as group homes and residential facilities. The statewide standard family foster care board rate is \$527.36 per month, \$6,328.32 per year. For children 13 and older, the group home rate is generally \$2,700-\$3,600 monthly, \$32,400-\$43,200 per year. The funding for the NRC Financial Assistance averages \$255.20 per child. By increasing funding for the nonrelative caregiver program, the state will ensure that nonrelative caregivers continue to be a placement option for children entering out-of-home care.

COST CALCULATIONS:

July 2016-June 2017 Projected Invoice Totals	\$5,056,155
Average Percentage of Growth	0.04%
SFY 2016-17 Budget	\$4,800,000
Expenditures thru 08/04/16	\$163,692
Running Balance	\$4,636,308
Projected Deficit 2016-2017	(\$256,155)
SFY 2017-2018 Anticipated Invoice Totals	\$5,092,619
Average Percentage of Growth	0.04%
SFY 2017-18 Budget	\$4,800,000
Projected Deficit 2017- 2018	(\$292,619)
Total Projected Need	\$548,774

Amended 2017-18 Narrative after February 2, 2017;

ISSUE TITLE: Non-Relative Caregiver Program Growth

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	FY 2017-18	FY 2017-18	FY 2017-18	FY 2017-18	FY 2017-18	
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CHILDREN & FAMILIES						60000000
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PGM: ECON SELF SUFFICIENCY						60910700
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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES						13
SERVICES/MOST VULNERABLE						<u>1304.00.00.00</u>
AGENCY STRATEGIC PRIORITIES						4000000
NONRELATIVE CAREGIVER PROGRAM						
GROWTH						4007200

Keep Vulnerable Children and Families Safe through Improved Assessment of Risks and More Meaningful Engagement with Families and Communities

SUMMARY:

The Department requests \$3,872,479 of recurring General Revenue budget authority to provide for growth of the Nonrelative Caregiver (NRC) program.

Effective July 1, 2014, the Florida Legislature expanded the Relative Caregiver Program in s. 39.5085, Florida Statutes, to include nonrelative caregivers. The Legislature made a commitment to assist nonrelatives who assume court-ordered custody and care of a dependent child in the role of a substitute parent because of a court's determination of child abuse, neglect or abandonment.

PROBLEM STATEMENT:

The Legislature recognizes that some children have a close relationship with a person who is not a relative, and that this person should qualify for financial assistance to reduce the financial burden of providing the child with a safe, stable home environment. Absent financial assistance, many nonrelative caregivers would not be able to continue in their role of substitute parents. As noted in s. 39.5085(2)a)3, F.S., the dependent child is exposed to the trauma of placement in a shelter or in foster care when caregivers are unable to serve in the capacity of a substitute parent because of financial burden.

Due to the continued increase of children entering out-of-home care, the number of children being placed with nonrelative caregivers has increased. In May 2014, two months prior to the program's inception, there were 19,507 children in out-of-home care. As of January 31, 2017 there are 23,814 children in out-of-home care. The percentage of children placed into non-relative care has increased from 8.43% in May 2014 to 11.93% in January 2017. Meanwhile, the percentage of children placed in family foster homes and group care has slightly decreased during that same time frame.

The NRC program has steadily grown since its inception, with 2,393 children receiving assistance as of February 2017. The number of monthly payments has increased 33% in 12 months. The average monthly expenditure per child is \$255.20. The Department is projected to spend the entire SFY 2017-18 appropriation of \$4.8 million by February 2018. The requested funds will allow the nonrelative caregivers who are currently receiving NRC program funds to continue, as well as allow for growth of the NRC program as new children become eligible for the program.

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COST CALCULATIONS:

SFY 2017-2018 Anticipated Invoice Totals	\$8,672,479.04
Monthly Average Percentage of Growth (March 2016-February 2017)	2.43%
SFY 2017-18 Budget	\$4,800,000
Projected Deficit 2017- 2018	(\$3,872,479.04)

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AGENCY STRATEGIC PRIORITIES										4000000
NONRELATIVE CAREGIVER PROGRAM										
GROWTH										4007200
Total Projected Need										\$3,872,479

Summary:

The original request amount was \$548,774 (\$256,155 in nonrecurring and \$292,619 in recurring) of General Revenue budget.
 The amended request amount is \$3,872,479 of recurring General Revenue budget.

TOTAL: SERVICES/MOST VULNERABLE										<u>1304.00.00.00</u>
BY FUND TYPE										
GENERAL REVENUE FUND.....	548,774		3,872,479					3,323,705	1000	
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