FIBRS Implementation Assistance Program Frequently Asked Questions

	Question	Answer
1	Is it the intent of the assistance program to support and give awards to agencies that have not transitioned to the FIBRS system?	enforcement agencies to assist in the financial burden of transitioning to the technological requirements of the Florida Incident Based Reporting Project. Being fully operational with FIBRS reporting does not exclude agencies from applying for funds, however, special consideration may be given to applications from agencies not already submitting FIBRS or Use-of-Force data; from multiple agencies or an entity representing multiple agencies; and for agencies transitioning to the Statewide RMS system (SWRMS).
2	Is this funding opportunity strictly limited to FIBRS reporting and equipment? What about CJDT, UOF and the FAA?	FDLE received authority to administer funds to Florida law enforcement agencies to assist in the financial burden of transitioning to the technological requirements of the Florida Incident Based Reporting Project, which includes use-of-force elements. If funding becomes available for CJDT and/or FAA, we will post a new solicitation.
3	I would like to know if I can put in to upgrade 3 desktop computers for records clerks and one manager; spare laptops for the road patrol officers; internet access system upgrade for road patrol vehicles?	FDLE received authority to administer funds to Florida law enforcement agencies to assist in the financial burden of transitioning to the technological requirements of the Florida Incident Based Reporting Project, which includes use-of-force elements. We recommend applying for anything the agency needs to become FIBRS compliant. Eligible activities for this funding may include but are not limited to: • Overtime for project staff; • Equipment or supplies required for system upgrades; • Training; and/or • Procurement contracts for services such as data migration, system configuration, and/or consulting.
4	Can this grant application be submitted directly from my agency or is it required to be submitted by the Unit of Government?	FDLE welcomes applications from any Florida law enforcement agency, applications from third-party entities supporting the transition of eligible agencies, and multiple entity applications. We recommend you speak with your agency head and/or board members to determine who should submit the application.
5	What are the additional things other than a questionnaire that we have to submit?	The completed application packet (which includes Appendix A) and a budget workbook must be submitted by October 31, 2021 to be considered for funding.
6	Is there an award ceiling?	There is no award ceiling at this time.
7	Can the same person serve in more than one role in the Grant Contacts & Officials?	Yes.

8	Are body cameras and associated storage acceptable on this grant? Is software an allowed cost or just equipment?	FDLE received authority to administer funds to Florida law enforcement agencies to assist in the financial burden of transitioning to the technological requirements of the Florida Incident Based Reporting Project, which includes use-of-force elements. We recommend applying for anything the agency needs to become FIBRS compliant. Eligible activities for this funding may include but are not limited to: • Overtime for project staff; • Equipment or supplies required for system upgrades; • Training; and/or • Procurement contracts for services such as data migration, system configuration, and/or consulting.
9	Can I pay for staffing?	We are unable to support new positions. We are providing the following clarification for overtime costs. We can support recipient staff hours in excess of their contracted hours, as long as the additional hours are dedicated to support this project. This is regardless if they are paid straight time or time-and-a-half for the additional hours. For example: If a recipient's full time IT person is scheduled at 40 hours per week, we can fund anything above those 40 hours. If a recipient's part time position is 20 hours a week, we can fund additional hours beyond the initial 20 hours per week.
10	When are applications due?	Applications are due by October 31, 2021.