



# **Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Program Annual Performance Report Fiscal Year 2024-25**

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## SUMMARY

The Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Program (BSCIP) administers a statewide coordinated system of care to serve persons who have sustained moderate-to-severe traumatic brain and/or spinal cord injuries. The BSCIP is mandated by Chapter 381, Florida Statutes, to provide eligible persons the opportunity to obtain the necessary rehabilitative services enabling them to be referred to a vocational rehabilitation program or to return to their community.

The BSCIP General Program provides community reintegration services to eligible individuals. These services include assistive devices, community reentry/transitional living, comprehensive inpatient rehabilitation, diagnostics, home modifications, medical follow-up, medications/medical supplies, occupational therapy, physical therapy, psychological/neuropsychological evaluations, rehabilitation engineer evaluations, speech/cognitive therapy, and transportation services.

- 859 eligible individuals were served by the BSCIP General Program, 347 clients (41%) who were served and closed from the BSCIP General Program were community reintegrated and/or accepted for services by the Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

The is the only publicly-funded state program devoted entirely to the rehabilitation of individuals who have sustained a traumatic brain and/or spinal cord injury. In addition to providing services to 859 individuals through its General Program, the BSCIP also supports research through funding distributed to the University of Florida's McKnight Brain Institute and the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis. These funds, as outlined in the revenue section on page 3 of this report, are distributed pursuant to sections 381.79(3), and 316.0083(1)(a)3.a., F.S.

To be eligible for the BSCIP General Program services, in accordance with section 381.74, F.S., and Rule 64I-001, Florida Administrative Code, an individual must:

- Be referred to the BSCIP Central Registry
- Be a legal resident of the state of Florida as defined in Rule 64I-1.001, Florida Administrative Code.
- Have sustained a traumatic brain or spinal cord injury as defined by section 381.745, F.S.
- Be medically stable
- Be reasonably able to achieve reintegration into the community through services provided by the BSCIP

Section 381.79, F.S., mandates the provide a report to the Florida Legislature each year summarizing the activities supported by the BSCIP Trust Fund. This report summarizes the BSCIP's budget, revenue, expenditures, and statistical data for July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

## BUDGET ALLOCATIONS, REVENUE, AND EXPENDITURES

The following revenue and expenditure information was obtained from the Florida Department of Financial Services information system and reflects the BSCIP's budget allocations, trust fund revenues, and the overall expenditures by each program and fund for FY 2024-25 for the entire BSCIP.

### BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Total budget allocations in FY 2024-25 were \$15,779,259. **Table 1** reflects the spending authority allocated to the BSCIP.

**Table 1**

Operating and Administrative Costs	Budget Allocation by Funding Source		
	BSCIP Trust Fund	General Revenue	Total
Salary	\$ 3,184,347	\$ -	\$ 3,184,347
OPS	\$ 124,190	\$ -	\$ 124,190
Expense	\$ 573,192	\$ -	\$ 573,192
OCO	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leasing of Equipment	\$ 47,576	\$ -	\$ 47,576
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,929,305</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,929,305</b>

Programmatic Costs	Budget Allocation by Funding Source		
	BSCIP Trust Fund	General Revenue	Total
Contracted Services <sup>1</sup>	\$ 1,563,582	\$ 3,000,000 <sup>1</sup>	\$ 4,563,582
Client Services – General Program	\$ 1,676,352	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 2,676,352
Research Pass Through per ss. 381.79(3), 316.0083(3)(a), F.S.	\$ 4,000,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000,000
Medically Fragile Enhancement Payment	\$ -	\$ 610,020	\$ 610,020
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7,239,934</b>	<b>\$ 4,610,020</b>	<b>\$ 11,849,954</b>

<b>Grand Total Budget Allocation by Funding Source</b>	<b>\$ 11,169,239</b>	<b>\$ 4,610,020</b>	<b>\$ 15,779,259</b>
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<sup>1</sup> Per the FY 2024-25 General Appropriations Act, \$1,000,000 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund was provided to the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis to develop new treatments for those living with a traumatic brain injury and/or paralysis and \$2,000,000 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund was provided to the Bitner/Plante Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Initiative of Florida. These funds are a part of the BSCIP contracted services expenditures.

## REVENUE

Revenue made available to the BSCIP Trust Fund through traffic-related civil penalties, boating citations, transfers, and temporary license tags was \$10,320,981. Total revenue increased by \$45,602 (<1%) as compared to the previous fiscal year. **Table 2** reflects the BSCIP Trust Fund revenue sources.

**Table 2**

Revenue Source	Amount
Traffic-Related Civil Penalties	\$ 5,272,294
Traffic-Related Civil Penalties – Red Light Camera Fines <sup>3</sup>	\$ 2,458,761
Driving or Boating Under the Influence Fines	\$ 1,072,822
Subrogation	\$ 34,343
Temporary License Tags, Motorcycle Specialty Tags, and Transfers <sup>4</sup>	\$ 1,472,494
Fee for Conviction	\$ 8,645
Other (Grants, Donations, and Refunds)	\$ 1,622
<b>Total Revenue<sup>2,3</sup></b>	<b>\$ 10,320,981<sup>4</sup></b>

<sup>2</sup> Section 381.79(3), F.S., requires that: “(3) Annually, 5 percent of the revenues deposited monthly in the fund pursuant to s. 318.21(2)(d) shall be appropriated to the University of Florida and 5 percent to the University of Miami for spinal cord injury and brain injury research. The amount to be distributed to the universities shall be calculated based on the deposits into the fund for each quarter in the fiscal year, but may not exceed \$500,000 per university per year. Funds distributed under this subsection shall be made in quarterly payments at the end of each quarter during the fiscal year.”

<sup>3</sup> Section 316.0083(1)(a)3a., F.S., requires that: “3. Penalties to be assessed and collected by the department, county, or municipality are as follows: a. One hundred fifty-eight dollars for a violation of sections 316.074(1), or 316.075(1)(c)1, F.S., when a driver failed to stop at a traffic signal if enforcement is by the department’s traffic infraction enforcement officer. One hundred dollars shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the General Revenue Fund, \$10 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Department of Health Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund, \$3 shall be remitted to the Department of Revenue for deposit into the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund, and \$45 shall be distributed to the municipality in which the violation occurred, or, if the violation occurred in an unincorporated area, to the county in which the violation occurred. Funds deposited into the Department of Health Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund under this sub-subparagraph shall be distributed as provided in section 395.4036(1), F.S. Proceeds of the infractions in the Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund shall be distributed quarterly to the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis and used for brain and spinal cord research.”

<sup>4</sup> Section 215.20(1), F.S., requires that, “(1) A service charge of 8 percent, representing the estimated pro rata share of the cost of general government paid from the General Revenue Fund, is hereby appropriated from all income of a revenue nature deposited in all trust funds except those enumerated in s. 215.22.” In FY 2024-25, the service charge incurred by the BSCIP Trust Fund was \$817,672.

## EXPENDITURES

Total BSCIP expenditures in FY 2024-25 were \$13,712,883. Of the total expenditures, \$9,104,137 (66%) were expended from the BSCIP Trust Fund, and the remaining \$4,608,746 (34%) of expended funds were from the state General Revenue Fund (Table 4). Individuals were provided with the services needed to be safely reintegrated into the community utilizing federal, state, and community resources. The BSCIP was the payer of last resort for clients with unmet needs.

The tables below break down the BSCIP's expenses in two different ways: **Table 3** shows the expenses by the (General Program or Pass Through/Direct Appropriations) and **Table 4** shows expenses by funding source (BSCIP Trust Fund or General Revenue).

**Table 3**

Operating and Administrative Costs	Total Expenditures by Program		
	General Program	Pass Through/Direct Appropriations	Total
Salary	\$ 3,037,554	\$ -	\$ 3,037,554
OPS	\$ 78,119	\$ -	\$ 78,119
Expense	\$ 467,283	\$ -	\$ 467,283
OCO	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leasing of Equipment	\$ 5,260	\$ -	\$ 5,260
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,588,216</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,588,216</b>

Programmatic Costs	Total Expenditures by Program		
	General Program	Pass Through/Direct Appropriations	Total
Contracted Services <sup>5</sup>	\$ 1,304,077	\$ 3,000,000 <sup>5</sup>	\$ 4,304,077
Client Services – General Program	\$ 2,502,610	\$ -	\$ 2,502,610
Research Pass Through per Sections 381.79(3), and 316.0083(3)(a), F.S.	\$ -	\$ 2,707,960	\$ 2,707,960
Medically Fragile Enhancement Payment	\$ -	\$ 610,020	\$ 610,020
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,806,687</b>	<b>\$ 6,317,980</b>	<b>\$ 10,124,667</b>

<b>Grand Total by Program</b>	<b>\$ 7,394,903</b>	<b>\$ 6,317,980</b>	<b>\$ 13,712,883</b>
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<sup>5</sup> Per the FY 2024-25 General Appropriations Act, \$1,000,000 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund was provided to the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis to develop new treatments for those living with a traumatic brain injury and/or paralysis and \$2,000,000 in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund was provided to the Bitner/Plante Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Initiative of Florida. These funds are a part of the BSCIP contracted services expenditures.

**Table 4**

Operating and Administrative Costs	Total by Funding Source		
	BSCIP Trust Fund	General Revenue	Total
Salary	\$ 3,037,554	\$ -	\$ 3,037,554
OPS	\$ 78,119	\$ -	\$ 78,119
Expense	\$ 467,283	\$ -	\$ 467,283
OCO	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leasing of Equipment	\$ 5,260	\$ -	\$ 5,260
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,588,216</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 3,588,216</b>

Programmatic Costs	Total by Funding Source		
	BSCIP Trust Fund	General Revenue	Total
Contracted Services <sup>6</sup>	\$ 1,304,077	\$ 3,000,000 <sup>6</sup>	\$ 4,304,077
Client Services – General Program	\$ 1,503,884	\$ 998,726	\$ 2,502,610
Research Pass Through per sections 381.79(3), and 316.0083(3)(a), F.S.	\$ 2,707,960	\$ -	\$ 2,707,960
Medically Fragile Enhancement Payment	\$ -	\$ 610,020	\$ 610,020
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,515,921</b>	<b>\$ 4,608,746</b>	<b>\$ 10,124,667</b>

<b>Grand Total by Funding Source</b>	<b>\$ 9,104,137</b>	<b>\$ 4,608,746</b>	<b>\$ 13,712,883</b>
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Tallahassee, FL 32399  
850-245-4005  
FAX: 850-413-8743  
[PublicRecordsRequest@FLHealth.gov](mailto:PublicRecordsRequest@FLHealth.gov)

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