



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Boys' Choir of Tallahassee

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Bill Montford

3. **Date of Submission:** 11/29/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

The Boys Choir of Tallahassee is a social service program for males who come from public and private schools throughout the Tallahassee area. The Boys Choir of Tallahassee continues to prepare young men for the twenty-first century through music, discipline, and academic excellence. With the Choir requiring no auditions for admission, and its motto "No Excuses," the Choir continues to grow in popularity on the local, state, national and international level. The program focuses its efforts on counseling and tutoring choir members.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** Yes

a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Education

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
76,500		76,500

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	39,000	19.0%
Other	90,000	43.8%
TOTAL	129,000	62.8 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 205,500

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional) 1

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2016-17



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- d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No
 e. Complete the following Worksheet.

FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18		
	(If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:			

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

Yes

- a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year.

\$76,500

11. Program Performance:

- a. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?

Salaries: Choir Director, Operations Manager, Transportation, Accompanist, Assistant Director

- b. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

Helps young men in low income households realize full potential by building character, enhancing self-esteem, promoting academic success and reducing risky behavior.

- c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Choir Director	45,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits	Operations Manager	20,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		



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Operational Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits	Asst. Director, Accompanist	1,500
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Van Driver	10,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		76,500

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Choir rehearsal and study hall take place three days a week: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 4:30 until 7:30 p.m. in the Band Room of the Goodwill Shelter Prosperity Center. All services are free to members of the Choir. Upon arrival for rehearsal, each boy has a nutritious snack and begins working on school assignments and projects. If a choir member cannot complete his homework, a college intern or another choir member will help. In turn, this individual is expected to help another who might be struggling in a different area. Through this "pay-it-forward" cascading leadership, members bond in a health way that allows each to experience both roles of leader and follower. The Boys' Choir offers a mentoring program to help develop and maintain positive and helpful adult relationships. This mentor is simply a wise and trusted friend with a commitment to provide guidance and support for the mentee to develop their fullest potential based on their vision for the future.

e. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

Young men ages 8-18 in low-income households; 50 young men.

f. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

Improve quality education; measured by high school graduation; provide a list of graduation status. Divert from criminal/juvenile justice system; no involvement with DJJ; list of letters of acceptance to secondary educational institutions. Pursue productive career/employment; attend college/join US military; list of letters of acceptance to post secondary educational institutions.

g. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?

Suspend funding

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

N/A



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- b. **County:** Leon
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
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