



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2438

1. **Project Title** Ann Storck Early Intervention Preschool2. **Senate Sponsor** Gary Farmer3. **Date of Request** 01/22/20204. **Project/Program Description**

The Ann Storck Early Intervention Preschool is the only on-site program in Broward County to provide high quality educational and therapeutic services to developmentally disabled and medically fragile children and their families ages 3 months to 3 years . The program provides a wide variety of activities and experiences that focus on developing a child's educational, physical and social skills and improving their quality of life. Each child has an Individual Family Service Plan based on their strengths and challenges. Services include: Small Class Sizes, Low student to teacher ratio, Certified Teachers, Therapeutic Services (Physical, Speech/Language, Occupational, Behavioral & Music) Full Time Nursing Services, Transportation, Nutritional Services, Family Education & Involvement & a School Wellness Program.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** Department of EducationState Agency contacted? ☐ Yes ☒ No6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	463,643
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
Total State Funds Requested	463,643

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	463643	100.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	00	0 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	463,643	100 %

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 463,643



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10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Early Intervention Preschool Director- responsibilities include program management, staff supervision, documentation & record keeping, environmental health and safety, training & development ,monitoring and quality assurance.	22,619
Other Salary and Benefits	Other administrative salaries include ESE Specialist(40%) to provide procedural & curriculum assistance, Practice Manager (40%) oversees scheduling,pricing and performance of therapy program, HR Manager & Specialist (10%) recruits, interviews, trains & evaluates staff performance, Director of Accounting & Payroll Specialist (10%) oversees financial reporting & payroll, Facilities Supervisor (20%) ensures maintenance, safety and cleanliness of the facility.	91,358
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Salaries will be used to employ 2 full time certified ESE teachers & 4 assistants to provide high quality developmentally appropriate instruction, Physical, Speech, Occupational, Behavioral (40%) & a Music Therapist (20%) to improve mobility, communication, behavior and daily living skills. A Licensed Practical Nurse (40%) will provide health management /medication administration.	349,666
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/ Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		463,643



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11. Program Performance

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

Ann Storck's Early Intervention Preschool is the only on-site therapeutic program for infants and toddlers (3 months - 3 years) in Broward County. One of its goals is to help the parents/caregivers of this vulnerable population financially by allowing them to work while their child attends a full-time, year round high quality medical preschool. Other child and family focused goals include improved cognitive and social skills, greater independence and quality of life and more involved and educated families.

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

25-50 additional children ages 3 months to 3 years will participate in 9 hours daily of a high quality, intensive early intervention program at the Ann Storck Center. Services will be available year round and include before and after school care and an 8 week summer program. This therapeutic program utilizes school board approved curriculum, specialized Department of Education classrooms, small class size, a low teacher to student ratio and certified teachers using a multidisciplinary approach and working collaboratively with licensed therapists. An Individual Family Service Plan is developed for each child to determine their therapeutic and home needs.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

The following direct services will be provided as indicated in the children's Individual Family Service Plan: Speech/Language, Physical, Occupational & Behavior (ABA) Therapies, Full Time Nursing Care, Transportation, Nutritional Services, Music Therapy, Research Based Screening & Assessments; Parent Involvement Activities & Education; School Wellness Program.

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

25-50 additional children ages 3 months - 3 years will be served. The majority of the children will be considered to be at-risk based on a variety of factors including economically disadvantaged. The program serve children who are developmentally and/or physically disabled.

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

The expected benefits of the program are: 1) Improve physical health of those served. This outcome will be measured by having 80% of the children and their families participate in the Center's Wellness Program, and attend Nutrition classes. 100% of the children will participate in appropriate physical activities thus reducing their risk of additional health concerns and obesity 2) Improve quality of Education - 25-50 children ages 3 months to 3 years will be able to attend a high quality, intensive preschool program - proven to be more effective than in-home services. This outcome will be measured by 75% of the children showing improvement in their cognitive, communication, physical, behavioral and daily living skills as measured by standardized assessments.

f. 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?

Corrective Action Plans, Additional Staff Training, On-Site Mentoring



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

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. Recipient Contact Information

- a. Organization
- b. Municipality and County
- c. Organization Type
- ☐ For-profit Entity
 - ☒ Non-Profit 501(c) (3)
 - ☐ Non-Profit 501(c) (4)
 - ☐ Local Entity
 - ☐ University or College
 - ☐ Other (please specify)
- d. First Name Last Name
- e. E-mail Address
- f. Phone Number

15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.