



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2521

1. **Project Title** Manatee County YDASH Program2. **Senate Sponsor** Kelli Stargel3. **Date of Request** 01/27/20204. **Project/Program Description**

The Manatee YMCA has operated the YDASH middle school program in 9 of the county public middle schools since 2013. YDASH is a before and after school or OST (Out of School Time) enrichment program that focuses on Developmental Assets, Academics, Social Responsibility and Healthy Living for students in 6th grade through 8th grade. This grant will enable two important expansions of this impactful program. (1) Harlee Middle School, in the fragile neighborhood of Pride Park, will be able to offer year-around OST programming. YDASH at Harlee will be the source of needed programs and services, such as tutoring for all subject areas, sports and leadership development workshops (2) One YDASH staff member from each school site will be trained in trauma care. The prevalence of trauma impact students' academic achievement, and social/emotional development. Having staff trained in recognition of trauma will enhance student academic achievement and social-emotional development.

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	245,142
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
Total State Funds Requested	245,142

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)	245142	34.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	465,979	66 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	711,121	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. 170,000



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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	Rhiannon Blaney, YDASH/South Branch Program Executive Director	66,122
Other Salary and Benefits	Elizabeth Miller, CAO/Grant Compliance, 10%; Cathy Steinhauer HR Dir. 3%	10,020
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	1. Harlee Middle School YDASH Summer Camp, 1Site Director, 5 Group Leaders 2. Harlee School OST Staff, 1 Site Director and 3 Group Leaders. 3. Harlee Sports Coordinator. 4. YDASH 9 Trauma Care Specialists.	110,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Sports Equipment, enrichment club supplies (gardening, art, cooking, STEM, coding/robotics) Cost \$30,000 Scanner for record keeping registration forms and pertinent student documentation for grant compliance. Kid Check program to accurately track attendance, ID printer, iPad for site director to communicate through emails with parents and utilize the Kid Check Program. Cost \$7,000 Cost Related to Harlee facility usage (rent, cleaning, upkeep, etc.) Cost \$12,000	49,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Molly Lawson, Director of Developing Youth Leaders	10,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		245,142



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11. Program Performance

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

The middle school years are an important time in young people's lives during which they go through several important developmental changes and form behaviors that will affect their future. OST programs are a proven strategy for putting young people on the path to success; however, far too many middle school students do not have access to high quality programs after school. Whether through supplying middle schoolers with homework help, enrichment activities or opportunities for recreation, the potential impact of afterschool programs goes beyond the benefits of providing safe, supervised environments during out of school time. Despite the importance of these programs, our local community has very few resources for this age group. The Manatee YMCA's goal is to make the YDASH program accessible to all public middle school students throughout Manatee County. Expanding the program to the Harlee school site provides students in Pride Park with programs they would not have otherwise.

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

The YDASH programs provide positive adult role models that will support the student's personal growth, interests and values. Our enrichment programs allow students to do activities that might boost their self-esteem as well as to create positive relationships with their peers. Also, middle school students often phase out of organized sports or other active interests. Many of these students don't have other opportunities to engage in regular physical activity, especially if they are unsupervised after school. Many of these youth are also engaging in cigarette smoking, alcohol drinking and other unhealthy behaviors for the first time. Afterschool programs provide a place for middle school youth to stay physically active, while also learning to make positive nutritional and lifestyle choices.

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

Effective afterschool programs bring a wide range of benefits to youth, families and communities. YDASH boosts academic performance, reduces risky behaviors, promotes physical and emotional health, and provides a safe structured environment. These things benefit the entire community. Parents concerned about their children's afterschool care miss an average of eight days of work per year, and this decreased worker productivity costs businesses up to \$300 billion annually (Brandeis University, Community, Families and Work Program, 2004 and Catalyst & Brandeis University, 2006). The new program being held at Harlee Middle School will serve an area of Manatee County that has the lowest per Capita Income and has the highest percentage of households with children under 18. Pride Park is a community that strives to overcome crime and poverty. A YDASH program in this area will reduce delinquency, violence, drug use, school truancy, teen pregnancy and dropping out of school.

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

The YDASH programs target population is all middle school students in the 9 public middle school program sites as well as 6th through 8th grade students living in the low-income Pride Park area of Manatee County. The YDASH program expects to serve approximately 800 Manatee County Middle school students. Middle school students from Pride Park, typically economically disadvantaged, are bused from their neighborhood to attend three different middle schools in the county. This makes it nearly impossible for them to remain afterschool to attend YDASH, or any extra-curricular program at their enrollment school. They get on the bus and go back to Pride Park after school. With Harlee in operation they would attend YDASH programs from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM.

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

Participants in the YDASH program will benefit by having increased attendance at school and higher rates of homework completion which will lead to better grades. Other benefits include positive peer relationships and better decision-making skills. Parent surveys will be collected twice a school year to access how student behaviors at home are progressing. Attendance and academic improvement will be monitored by logging the students report cards.

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?

We don't expect to miss any of the targets for the program or complying with grant requirements. Our aims are to improve the lives of children in our community and comply with the requirements of the State of Florida.



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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.