



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1067

1. Project Title
2. Senate Sponsor
3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

For nearly 30 years Breakthrough Miami has created, refined and scaled an out-of-school academic enrichment program that consistently prepares under-resourced students to enter and succeed in college. The largest of 25 national affiliates of the Breakthrough Collaborative, Breakthrough Miami provides an eight-year, tuition-free program that uses a students-teaching-students model designed to increase academic opportunity for highly motivated, under-served students and propel them on the trajectory of a successful college path. An investment to strengthen and expand Breakthrough Miami's reach and scope will enable the organization to serve up to 200 additional students making the total student population served 1,500 students each year. Funding will thereby increase Florida's talent equity, fostering the next generation of leaders in our State and promoting new stories of 21st century prosperity.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds
- State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	500,000	51%
Matching Funds		
Federal	125,000	12%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	225,000	22%
Other	150,000	15%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	1,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	0	500,000	114	Yes

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

Should State funding not be granted, Breakthrough Miami would solicit private funding in lieu of State funding. We have several decades of experience in fundraising and a growing donor base.



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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Breakthrough Miami received a PPP Loan for \$265,847 and CARES Act funding through The Miami Foundation for \$47,500.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Program Supplies; Professional Development; Travel to training; Scholar Transportation; Field Trips; Food Programs; Summer Snacks, Laptops/Classroom, Marketing Material, T-shirts (uniforms), TF Training; Housing; Background checks; Subscriptions for Technology; Diversity Training; College Tour	326,940
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted Services: Instructional Coaches (Certified Teachers), Teaching Fellows, Summer Site Coordinators, Summer Assistant Director, Mental Health Support Services (license professional), Social Service Support, Marketing Design (Scholar, Teaching Fellow, volunteer recruitment, family communication), staff coaching and development	173,060
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

12. Program Performance

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

Funding will strengthen and expand upon Breakthrough Miami's 8yr. tuition-free academic and social enrichment program using a students-teaching-students model designed to increase academic opportunity for motivated underserved students to reach and complete college while developing future teachers and educational leaders. Investment will enable Breakthrough to meet evolving needs of students in response to the pandemic and expand by 200 additional students reaching a total of 1,500 youth. Funding will increase Florida's talent equity, foster the State's next generation of leaders and promote new stories of 21st century prosperity.

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

Expand services to meet evolving needs of students (mental health, social services); Secure new partner site; Recruit new class of rising 5th graders for expansion site; Deliver a year-round tuition-free academic and enrichment program at six existing and one new site; Deliver school options, mentoring and counsel to fifth and eighth grade families -- Breakthrough uniquely supports families in navigating school choice to identify schools aligned with student interests, talents and aspirations; Employ up to 5 Teaching Fellows (17-24 year olds) for expansion site and 130 Fellows for existing sites.

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



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Funding will support rigorous out-of-school academic and social enrichment for under-resourced youth. Students are served in 5th-9th grade through a 6-week summer institute and school year Saturday and after-school programming and 9th-12th grade in a college access and readiness program. Funds will support early work experience for 17-24 year olds to serve as Teaching Fellows. Supervised by certified teachers, Fellows provide life-skills training, near-peer mentoring, and academic instruction.

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

Breakthrough Miami is positioned as an opportunity generator in South Florida, serving 1,300 motivated 5th-12th grade students from under-resourced communities across Miami, 130 Teaching Fellows (17-24 year olds), and 400 Volunteers. Acceptance into the program is based on a competitive application and interview process, in which we identify students who are academically motivated and meet at least two of the following five risk factors associated with failure to enter/complete college. Approx. 85% of BTM students meet 3 or more of these risk factors: Ethnic/racial minorities (96% of our students); Family income qualifies for free/reduced lunch (85%); First generation in their families to attend college in the U.S. (48%); Single-parent household (47%); Primary language other than English (50%)

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

Expected Outcomes:

- 60% of 9th grade students will take geometry of higher
- 60% of 8th grade students will take Algebra I or higher
- 70% of 11th grade students take two or more advanced courses
- 70% of 10th grader students will have a GPA of a 3.0
- 90% of 12th grade students will enroll college

Expand to reach approximately 50 new Scholars with the addition of a new site.

Student records will be used to measure the outcomes, through Breakthrough's partnership with Miami-Dade County Public Schools and other schools attended by students.

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 the contract?

The suggested penalties if deliverables or performance measures are not met are loss of funding and the opportunity for future requests.

13. 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.

Not Applicable



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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

15. 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

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number