



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1262

1. Project Title Breakthrough Miami

2. Senate Sponsor Manny Diaz

3. Date of Request 11/08/2021

4. Project/Program Description

Funding will support Breakthrough Miami to advance an expansion strategy to open a new site with capacity to serve 160 new students, thereby increasing Florida's talent equity, and fostering the next generation of leaders. In addition to opening a new site, funding will also support new operational costs critical to meeting the needs of families and students in the wake of the pandemic, including transportation costs for 800+ Scholars, which dramatically increased this past year (essential to ensuring access to out-of-school-time learning) and social emotional learning and mental health services.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Education

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	750,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	750,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	750,000	13%
Matching Funds		
Federal	790,560	14%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	678,150	12%
Other	3,475,000	61%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	5,693,710	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22	0	500,000	110	No

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

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

Breakthrough Miami raises \$4.95 Million annually from private families, foundations and corporations, local and federal government agencies and in-kind contributions. State funding would constitute approximately 13% of total program costs.

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



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No

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

Breakthrough Miami received two PPP loans, the first for \$265,847 and the second for \$264,355 and CARES act funding via the Miami Foundation for \$47,500. All funds were used to retain personnel and to institute public health measures during the pandemic.

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; Field Trips & Experiences; Food Programs; Marketing Materials, Training; Housing; Recruitment, Onboarding + Compliance Costs; Technology; and Transportation costs across sites	464,940
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted Services: Contracted staffing including Instructional Coaches (Certified Teachers), Teaching Fellows, Summer Site Coordinators, Summer Assistant Director; Mental Health Support Services (licensed professional), SEL expertise, Social Service Support, Marketing Design, Coaching and development; Strategic Planning, Data + Evaluation.	285,060
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		750,000

12. Program Performance

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

Funding will support Breakthrough's expansion to a new site, creating a pathway towards a total capacity to serve over 1600 students, ensuring low-income students striving for educational opportunity are academically thriving, gaining access to rigorous middle and high school programs, entering and completing college. Funding will also support transportation costs across sites which increased during the pandemic, expanded social emotional wellness + mental health services. Breakthrough Miami's 8yr. tuition-free academic + social enrichment program uses a students-teaching-students model proven to support traditionally marginalized students to reach and complete college while developing future teachers + educational leaders.

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

Funding will support rigorous out-of-school academic & social enrichment programming for under-resourced 5th-12th graders to support post-secondary success. Funding will provide students access to mental health services. Funds will support early work experience for 17-24 year olds to serve as Teaching Fellows, supervised by certified teachers, providing near-peer mentoring & academic instruction. Activities will include securing new site; recruiting new class for expansion site; delivering year-round tuition-free academic & enrichment; delivering school options advising (uniquely supporting families in navigating school choice); expanding services to meet evolving needs of students (Social Emotional Learning, mental health, social services); and provide transportation to ensure all Scholars are able to access programing at no cost.



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

Breakthrough Miami will deliver rigorous out-of-school academic & social enrichment programming for under-resourced youth in 5th-12th grade including 6-week summer institute & school year programs to support post-secondary success. Funds will support early work experience for 17-24 year olds to serve as Teaching Fellows, supervised by certified teachers, providing near-peer mentoring & 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 1300 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 (94% of our students); Family income qualifies for free/reduced lunch (85%); First generation in their families to attend college in the U.S. (52%); Single-parent household (47%); Primary language other than English (52%)

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
1300 Scholars will have access to free transportation to access year-round programming
130 Teaching Fellows will be trained to identify mental health needs in students and how to route to services.
75% of Scholars will improve social emotional learning skills
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.
130 youth (17-24 year olds) will be provided meaningful paid summer employment and training as Teaching Fellows
24 youth (17-24 year olds) will be provided meaningful paid work experience and training as Success Coaches

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?

Unused funds would be returned to the state.

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.

N/A



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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