

LFIR # 1271

1. Project Title Foster Youth Voice - One Voice IMPAACT

2. Senate Sponsor Jason Brodeur

3. Date of Request 10/26/2021

4. Project/Program Description

The recent passage of SB 80 in FY 2021-22 recognized the importance of Foster Youth Voice with a mandate for the child to participate in Multidisciplinary Team Meetings in which placement decisions about their lives- housing, education, and sibling separations- will be determined. Foster Youth Voice Training will support the implementation of this statute by educating youth about self-advocacy and child welfare staff to prepare, engage, and debrief youth to avoid further traumatization.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds D

Department of Children and Families

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	435,050
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	435,050

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)	435,050	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	435,050	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Amo	ount	Specific	Vetoed	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #		

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.

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

No

No



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

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	20% of Executive Director Salary to lead project.	42,000
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	25% of Youth Initiatives Director to oversee project staff; 25% of Community Relations Director to coordinate event logistics; 2 One Voice Impact (OVI) Training Managers @ \$50,000 + 22% benefits; and 1 OVI intern @ \$15 per hour x 10 hours per week x 52 weeks	163,550
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Host 17 circuit seminars @ \$5,500; \$50 incentive for 1,000 youth; IL Application development \$36,000; Facilitate statewide qualitative youth survey \$50,000	229,500
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	435,050

12. Program Performance

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

Training youth to use their voices in decisions that impact their lives will enhance their sense of well-being- physical, intellectual, emotional, social and behavioral developmental needs, in accordance with their views, wishes and feelings. Training child welfare staff on youth engagement principles to better prepare and support youth in care.

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

Coordinate circuit trainings with 17 lead agencies for youth and child welfare staff. Develop an IL App for ongoing youth training and communication. Complete a qualitative survey to assess youths understanding, preparation, and participation in Multidisciplinary Teams.

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

Training youth in foster care on self-advocacy and opportunities to use their voice in decisions that impact their lives.

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

The target population is youth in foster care ages 13 to 17 and child welfare staff. The Foster Youth Voice Project seeks to train 1,000 youth and 1,000 child welfare staff.

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

Youth's feelings of well-being will be measured in the training pre- and post-test as well as in the qualitative survey. Child welfare staff's understanding of youth engagement principles will be measured in the training pre- and post-test.



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?

Performance hold back of 10% if deliverables or performance measures are not met.

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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	⊠Non Profit 501(c	Profit 501(c)(3)					
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