



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2190

1. Project Title Adult Literacy League - Improving the lives of Central Floridians through Literacy and Education

2. Senate Sponsor Victor Torres

3. Date of Request 01/12/2022

4. Project/Program Description

The Adult Literacy League serves to build a literate community. Our mission is to empower Central Floridians to be thriving members of our community through literacy and education. We do so by recruiting, and training volunteers to serve as one-to-one tutors and class instructors to hundreds of adult learners weekly. We respectfully request funding from the State of Florida in support of the ongoing and vital services we provide, so that we might continue to serve our Central Florida community.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Education

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	25,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	25,000

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)	25,000	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	25,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21		25,000	114	Yes

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 25,000

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

Private Foundations, faith-based organizations, local government, individuals, fundraising activities.

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



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Yes

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

\$146,000 - Draw 1 PPP Loan (forgiven): \$74,000. Draw 2 PPP Loan (forgiven): \$55,000. City of Winter Park dispensation of ARPA funds: \$17,000. These funds were used for the general operating costs of payroll and rent.

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	Program Manager - salary - \$4,100, payroll taxes - \$314, benefits - \$820 Intake & Assessment Specialist - salary - \$2,800, payroll taxes - \$214, benefits - \$642	8,890
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	A percentage of each of the following operating costs: Adult Literacy League office rent, internet/telephone, computers/technology/databases, student data management, curriculum/books/assessments, volunteer management.	16,110
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		25,000

12. Program Performance

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

The purpose of this request is to support the Adult Literacy League's mission: we empower Central Floridians to be thriving members of our community through literacy and education. We exist to build a literate, and as a result, more healthy, inclusive, productive, and rich community!

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

We will recruit, orient and train volunteers to serve as tutors and instructors to the adult students we serve. We offer more than 20 in-person and online classes for adults in our tri-county service area. We are currently supporting the work of more than 250 pairs (tutors and students). These funds will support our operating costs - rent, technology and staffing.

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

We will provide adults seeking our services with the following: assessment to determine student starting point; the opportunity to be matched with a volunteer tutor; the opportunity to attend appropriate online and in-person supplemental classes.

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



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Of the more than 1,000 adults we will serve in 2021, between 80-85% are English Language Learning students - immigrants coming from more than 50 countries, speaking more than 20 different languages. We expect to serve between 25-50 adults.

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

One of the most common goals of our adult students is: to enter employment. The majority of our students come to us with the expressed goal of getting a job or getting a better job. This is an outcome that is collected as students self-report or when their tutors report monthly via online monthly tutoring report.

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?

If the Adult Literacy League fails to meet the deliverables or performance measures, an appropriate penalty would be the loss of a percentage (correlated to the percentage of deliverable "failure") of the grant funds.

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.

NA



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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