

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request

LFIR # 1651

1. Project Title Alpert Jewish Family Service, Rales JFS, & inSIGHT Through Education Traveling Holocaust Classroom

2. Senate Sponsor Lori Berman

3. Date of Request 11/27/2023

4. Project/Program Description

As a response to the startling rise global antisemitism, Alpert JFS, in partnership with inSIGHT Through Education, Inc and Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services, are bringing the Hate Ends Now Cattle Car mobile classroom exhibit set inside a replica World War II cattle car. The funds will allow Alpert JFS and its partners to rent the traveling Holocaust cattle car classroom for 7.5 weeks and provide approximately 10,000 students from up to 15 public high schools and/or colleges in Palm Beach County the opportunity to learn stories of survivors as well as key events of the Holocaust in a short multi-sensory session with a trained educator. The exhibit urges students to contemplate the profound consequences of hatred and the importance of empathy.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Education

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	165,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	165,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	165,000	67%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	82,500	33%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	247,500	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

No

No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year

ear.	

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

Fundraising from individual donors and private foundations.

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.

In 2020, Alpert Jewish Family Service received a PPP loan in the amount of \$909,299 that was all used for payroll.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

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Construction 🛛 💽 N/A

- b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?
- c. What is the estimated start date of construction?
- d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?
- 12. List 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.

13. 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	Indirect fee of 10% based on FY23-24 for operational management to oversee, create, and coordinate the highest level of benefit for the project.	15,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Funding will be used to rent the traveling Holocaust cattle car classroom for 7.5 weeks and bring it to approximately 10,000 students from up to 15 public high schools and/or colleges in Palm Beach County.	150,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		

14. Program Performance

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



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The funds will allow Alpert JFS, in partnership with inSIGHT Through Education, Inc and Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services to bring the Hate Ends Now Cattle Car, a multi-sensory traveling Holocaust classroom to up to 15 schools and colleges throughout Palm Beach County. Approximately 10,000 students across Palm Beach County will get a powerful look at the history of the Holocaust, & learn about the consequences of hatred and the importance of empathy with trained educators.

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

The Hate Ends Now Cattle Car exhibit is a mobile classroom, where within its walls, a 360 video reveals the true stories of two individuals who survived the Holocaust. Approximately 10,000 students from up to 15 public high schools and/or colleges in Palm Beach County will have the opportunity to visit the traveling Holocaust classroom. The exhibit will provide an interactive educational experience for students to empathize with the stories of suffering during the Holocaust, be able to connect the history to current prejudices, and be infused with inspiration and a sense of responsibility to create a better tomorrow.

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

Set inside a replica World War II cattle car, students will get a powerful look at the history of the Holocaust through a multi-sensory exhibition to learn stories of survivors as well as key events of the Holocaust through World War II artifacts with a trained educator.

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

High school and/or college students in Palm Beach County. Approximately 10,000 students from up to 15 public high schools and/or colleges in Palm Beach County will have the opportunity to visit the traveling Holocaust classroom. The multi-sensory exhibit will reach approximately 1300 students in Palm Beach County per week during its 7.5 week tour.

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

be measured?

The expected outcomes are to increase the levels of Holocaust education and awareness of high school and college students in Palm Beach County and provide an interactive educational experience for students to connect to the stories of the Holocaust, connect the history to current prejudices, and increase empathy. Attendees of the exhibit will be encouraged to complete an online survey to help measure the effectiveness of this program. Questions will gauge Holocaust knowledge levels before and after participation, the emotional impact of the exhibit on their level of empathy, and if the experience has influenced their willingness to stand up for the rights of others.

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 we fail to meet the agreed upon deliverables, we will negotiate the potential return of a portion of the funds, if/as appropriate.

15. Requester Contact Information

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16. Recipient Contact Information

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b. Municipality and County Palm Beach

c. Organization Type



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