

LFIR # 1719

1. Project Title	Youth Matter Mentorship Program
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2. Senate Sponsor Bryan Avila

**3. Date of Request** 11/08/2023

## 4. Project/Program Description

Since 1948, Miami YFC has sought to improve student performance, while reducing violence, anxiety, and self-harm among youth aged 11-19 in underserved communities. Through life skills courses, mentorship, and weekly clubs, we strive to help students lead balanced lives socially, intellectually, emotionally, and spiritually. Our Project Dade program offers 14-week life skills courses and mentorship to students on probation or in alternative education, successfully reducing recidivism rates.

#### 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	750,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	750,000

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)	750,000	30%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	1,705,332	70%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	2,455,332	100%

#### 8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Amount		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?

Yes

No



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

We received PPP in the following amounts: April 13,2020 for \$230,742.22 and March 31,2021 for \$239,859.80 Total: \$470,602.02

# **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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- 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	Training, screening, and certification for staff and mentors.	30,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Salary support for 24 mentoring staff	620,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Program supplies, including snacks, game supplies, and evidence- based curricula.	100,000
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) 750,00		

#### 14. Program Performance

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

The requested funds will enable YFC Miami & Broward to enhance at-risk youth's well-being through mentoring, life skills training, and educational support, promoting academic success, positive behavior, and mental health awareness in underserved communities.

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



Activities and services will be provided to at-risk youth, focusing on conflict resolution, goal setting, interpersonal relationships, mental health awareness, social skills, and completing school. Weekly on-campus clubs, intensive Project Dade curriculum, and afterschool programs offer mentorship, life skills classes, and homework assistance.

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

Youth will receive training focused on conflict resolution, goal setting, and mental health and awareness. Youth will also receive mentorship in large- and small-group formats by trained staff and volunteers. They will learn ways to support their mental, physical, and emotional health. Those needing additional services will be referred to free- or low-cost options.

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

The target population for this project is at-risk youth, primarily aged 11-19, from underserved communities in Miami-Dade and Broward County. We anticipate serving approximately 4,000 individuals this fiscal year.

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

#### be measured?

Youth for Christ Miami & Broward aims to enhance youth social connections, improve academic attitudes, and foster strong mentor-mentee bonds. We'll measure these outcomes through surveys administered to the youth. Our proven programs focus on holistic development, character-building, and community impact, empowering young people to make positive choices and become productive citizens.

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?

We would suggest a mandatory performance improvement plan for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract.

#### **15. Requester Contact Information**

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□For Profit Entity	□For Profit Entity		
☑Non Profit 501(c	☑Non Profit 501(c)(3)		
□Non Profit 501(c	□Non Profit 501(c)(4)		
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