

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1777

	Amigos LEAD (Learning, Enrichment & Academic Development) After School Program
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2. Senate Sponsor Ana Maria Rodriguez

3. Date of Request 11/13/2023

4. Project/Program Description

Requested funds will be used to implement and expand the Amigos LEAD (Learning, Enrichment & Academic Development) Program, a free high-quality after-school and summer program where children and youth, including students with disabilities, engage in enrichment activities that incorporate youth voice and choice. The Amigos LEAD after-school program will be available for 160 students in grades K-5 during the school year & 40 students in grades K-8 during the summer.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds D

Department of Education

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250,000	26%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	700,000	74%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	950,000	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



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

PPP Loan of \$121,000. The funds were used to offset funding losses due to the pandemic and were used to cover personnel and overhead costs of the organization not covered by other funding sources to ensure continuity of services.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

- **11. Status of Construction**
 - a. What is the current phase of the project?

Planning O Design O Construction O 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	President & CEO - \$195,000 @ 15% \$29,250 (Salary & Fringe)	29,250
Other Salary and Benefits	Accounting Coordinator - \$68,000 @ 20% = \$13,600 (Salary + Fringe) Human Resources Generalist - \$60,035 @ 20% = \$12,007 (Salary + Fringe) Records Management Supervisor - \$75,068 @ 20% = \$15,013.60 (Salary + Fringe)	40,620
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Sr. Director of Programs - \$104,000 @ 35% = \$36,400 (Salary + Fringe) Associate Director of Youth Services - \$84,500 @ 35% = \$29,575 (Salary + Fringe) Site Coordinator - \$58,500 @ 50% = \$29,250 Curriculum Specialist - \$58,500 @ 100% = \$58,500 (Salary + Fringe)	153,725
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Program Supplies - \$26,405	26,405
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)	250,000



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14. Program Performance

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

The goal is to offer a free high-quality after-school and summer program where children and youth, including students with disabilities, engage in enrichment activities that incorporate youth voice and choice. The Amigos LEAD after-school program will be available for 160 students in grades K-5 during the school year & 40 students in grades K-8 during the summer.

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

170 students during the school year (K-5) and 40 students during summer (K-8) will be provided with homework assistance (school year only), differentiated literacy instruction (DLI) (school year only), field trips, STEM (Coding, Engineering, Cooking & Gardening), Sports (Flag Football, Soccer, Basketball), Art (Visual Art, Theater, Dance), and Service Learning Projects. Program is free to participants.

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

The Amigos LEAD After School Program is dedicated to providing a safe, supportive, and enriching environment for children and youth during their out-of-school hours. The program encompasses a wide range of activities designed to promote academic growth, social development, and creative expression. The program's diverse offerings are aimed at catering to individual interests and needs, ensuring that participants have the opportunity to explore and develop their talents and skills. The Amigos LEAD After School Program places a strong emphasis on creating a positive and inclusive atmosphere where students can thrive academically, physically, and artistically. By offering a variety of enriching activities and ensuring students have a voice in their learning, the program supports their holistic development, fostering well-rounded individuals who are prepared for future success.

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

170 students during the school year (K-5) and 40 during summer (K-8) in low income neighborhoods of Little Havana, Allapattah, and surrounding areas.

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

be measured?

Assessments:

• The physical fitness level of students participating in sports enrichment is gauged using the Progressive Aerobic Cardiovascular Endurance Run (PACER) test.

• Literacy levels are assessed using the Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) and the Maze assessments.

• The qualitative assessment of enrichments is conducted through showcases, performances, and portfolios, allowing students to demonstrate their learning and creative growth.

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?

Standard contract penalties.

15. Requester Contact Information

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c. Organization Type

□For Profit Entity	□For Profit Entity			
☑Non Profit 501(c	☑Non Profit 501(c)(3)			
□Non Profit 501(c	□Non Profit 501(c)(4)			
□Local Entity	□Local Entity			
□University or Co	□University or College			
□Other (please sp	□Other (please specify)			
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