

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

LFIR # 1948

1. Project Title	YMCA Early Childhood Education Expansion					
2. Senate Sponsor	Nick DiCeglie					
3. Date of Request	12/05/2023					
4. Project/Program D	escription					
Capital expansion of much-needed infant	of the Speer YMCA and toddler care cl	Preschool Acad	dem	y in south St. Petersb rams.	urg, FL which will e	nable the YMCA to add
5. State Agency to re				ent of Education		
State Agency conta	acted? No					
6. Amount of the Non	recurring Request	for Fiscal Yea	r 20	24-2025		
Type of Funding				Amo	unt	
Operations						
Fixed Capital Outlay					950,000	
Total State Funds	Requestea				950,000	
7. Total Project Cost t	or Fiscal Year 202	4-2025 (includ	ing	matching funds ava	ilable for this proje	ect)
Type of Funding				Amount	Percentage	
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)				950,000	38%	
Matching Funds					201	
Federal	amount of this road	LOCT)		0	0% 0%	
State (excluding the amount of this request) Local				0	0%	
Other				1,550,000	62%	
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025				2,500,000	100%	
8. Has this project pr	eviously received	state funding?	•	No		•
Fiscal Year		ount		Specific	Vetoed	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurrir	ng	Appropriation #	Velocu	
9. Is future funding li	kely to be requeste	ed?		No		
a. If yes, indicate n	onrecurring amou	int per year.				
b. Describe the so	urce of funding tha	at can be used	in li	eu of state funding.		
	es to develop finan			pport this project to ir		
	•					40
10. Has the entity req	uesting this proje	ct received any	y tec	ierai assistance rela	ited to the COVID-	19 pandemic?
Yes						
If yes, indicate the	amount of funds	received and v	vhat	the funds were use	d for.	



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2022: ELC ARPA Childcare Stabilization \$755k 2021: ELC CARES \$1,276,000 / PPP \$1,643,500

2020: PPP \$1,538,917.44

11. Status of Construction

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

a. What is the current phase of the project?						
Planning	O Design	Construction	O N/A			
b. Is the project	No					
c. What is the es	August 2024					

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.

Facility is owned by the YMCA of Greater St. Petersburg, Inc. - a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization. No individuals will receive any portion of any fixed capital outlay funding.

January 2025

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

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	or Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	Expansion of Speer YMCA Preschool Academy inclusive of, but not limited to, capital construction costs such as site preparation and analysis, architectural and contractor fees, and direct construction costs to include classrooms and parking lot expansion.	950,000
Total State Funds Requested (m	nust equal total from question #6)	950,000

14. Program Performance

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

Funding will go to construction and capital expansion of the Speer YMCA Preschool Academy in south St. Petersburg, FL which will enable the YMCA to add much-needed infant and toddler care classrooms and programs.

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



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Funding will cover the capital construction costs such as site preparation and analysis, architectural and contractor fees, and direct construction costs to include classrooms and parking lot expansion. This expansion will provide for the addition of infant and toddler classrooms, playground, equipment, parking lot expansion, staff and programming to accommodate 40 more students annually.

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

Funding for this project will provide for the expansion of the YMCA/Speer Preschool Academy. That expansion includes the addition of infant and toddler classrooms, playground, equipment, parking lot expansion, staff and programming to accommodate 40 more students annually at the academy.

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

Nearly one-half of Tampa Bay area children are unprepared for kindergarten - according to the State's own Readiness Assessment. This project will serve 40 economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, and preschool aged students.

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

The lack of affordable and quality childcare and early quality education has significant implications for not only future learning outcomes, but also for the economic health of the community. When studying expansion into preschool readiness several years ago, the YMCA research identified that for every dollar invested in early childhood education, three dollars of economic benefit are returned to the community. Accessibility to early childhood education improves workforce readiness and provides a direct economic benefit as a result of the investment. The YMCA will track number of staff hired related to expansion (construction and permanent staff). Additionally, utilizing established research on economic impact of early childhood education, enrollment will be tracked to measure level of benefit.

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?

15. Reques	ter Contac	t Informati	ion			
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d. Phor	e Number	(727)895	-9622	Ext.		
16. Recipie	nt Contact	Information	on			
a. Orga	nization	YMCA of	Greater St. Pete	rsburg		
b. Muni	cipality and	d County	Pinellas			
c. Orga	nization Ty	ре				
□For	Profit Entity					
☑Non	Profit 501(d	c)(3)				
□Non	Profit 501(d	(4)				
□Loca	al Entity					
□Univ	ersity or Co	llege				

Penalty for failing to meet the deliverables will be the return of funding.



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