



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1809

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

To nurture the spirit, educate the mind, promote the development of the whole child, and young adult. Primary prevention and early intervention; Provide in and after school programs to students at elevated levels of risk with mentorship. To stimulate the intellectual curiosity of each at risk child and young adult. Job placement and other programs to aide those at risk. Giving a helping hand with scholarships in the cost for college expenses to parents of at-risk students.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	200,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	200,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	200,000	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 2026-2027	200,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2024-25	0	100,000	105	Yes

9. Is future-year 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.

we are currently asking for in-kind donations, sponsorship donations and fund raising to help offset some of our expenses. Partnerships with (Tru Development & Human Care Services and Jazzco Entertainment & Events). Both entities would help reach the core programs: mentoring, intergenerational activities, tutoring in and after school, health, exercise and mental awareness for the community.



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Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

10. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

☐ Planning ☐ Design ☐ 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?

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

11. 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.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Executive Director- \$40,000 Program Mgr Coordinator- \$20,000	60,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Admin- Office duties(filing records, processing mail, tracking qualified candidates the submit forms to qualify for scholarship awards, and phone duties as needed.	20,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Scholarships (20 students- \$40,000., Health and Wellness workshops- \$25,000., Elderly Enrichment Programs - \$15,000., Track and Field Awards - \$7,000., Banquet -\$10,000., Travel- \$4,000., Insurance-\$4,000	105,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Certified USATF Director- Track Meet \$3,000., Track and Field Officials to work annual track meet -\$12,000	15,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		200,000

13. Program Performance

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



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A Non-Profit Community Organization assisting student athletes with scholarships for a higher education. To support The Cheeseborough Invitational Track and Field Event held annually.(officials, time keepers, meals for all volunteers and workers, gift bags, trophies, photographer, security and purchase new or repair equipment for the events. The Team identified and determined the effectiveness of athletics in communities and how it creates a transformational empowerment in lives.

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

Hosting The Cheeseborough Invitational Track and Field Event, Educational Programs to promote healthy and mental living awareness, in and after school tutoring assistance programs, Scholarships for higher education and collaboration with various entities to help community encouragement and awareness within our community.

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

Opportunities for at risk students to get financial funds with scholarships assistance, deliver a successful track and field event, student educational and mentoring programs, mental and physical workshops, and elderly cultural activities.

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

Target population: Elderly persons: needing encouragement and support with poor mental and physical health, economically disadvantaged persons: At-risk youth, grade school, high school, and University/college students.

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

1. Improve health and mental- implement workshops and clinics with professional contacts that offer resources in this area. Evaluate the impact and improvement of attendees and collect surveys from participants, families and/or schools. 2. Enrich cultural experience- Deliver and support programs that promote intergenerational activities. Measuring this as a mentorship event. 3. Promote education- Award scholarships annually to students and offer tutoring programs to improve standardized test scores. Track students from this program that pursue high education by attending a college and/or vocational career.

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 in the contract?

The Organization should be allowed to correct its shortfalls and given a deadline to correct the reasons they are failing to meet performance measures. If not corrected within the deadline requested by the state, then they should discontinue receiving appropriated funds until all guidelines are administered correctly.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- ☐ Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- ☐ Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- ☐ Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No



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☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

☐ Yes, Applied

☐ Yes, Received

☐ No

☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

18. 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



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e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number Ext.

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.