



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** The SEED School of Miami

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Anitere Flores

3. **Date of Submission:** 01/10/2018

4. **Project/Program Description:**

The SEED School of Miami, a public college-prep boarding school for South Florida's underserved students.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** Yes

a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Education

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
3,944,562		3,944,562

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	70,446	0.6%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	4,173,678	35.6%
Local	1,950,796	16.6%
Other	1,600,000	13.6%
TOTAL	7,794,920	66.4 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 11,739,482

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional) 4

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2017-18

d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No

e. Complete the following Worksheet.

FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY <u>2017-18</u>
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	(If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:	4,173,678	2,000,000	6,173,678

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

Yes

a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year.

Yes. Anticipated request for next four years: (FY 18/19) \$8,118,240; (FY19/20) \$9,936,720; (FY20/21)\$11,261,616 (FY21/22) \$11,486,848

11. Program Performance:

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

The SEED School of Miami ("SEED Miami") plans to use the requested funds to support the cost of its residential education program

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

SEED Miami plans to use the funds to support its 24-hour education model that allows students to receive high-quality education with wraparound support services, including mental health counseling and cultural enrichment opportunities.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Direct Student Expenses (instructional materials, field trips, etc.), Student Life Staff	239,937



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	Professional Development	
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits	Operations Administration, Student Life Staff, Student Support Staff, School Culture Staff, Benefits, Stipends/Bonuses	2,128,526
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Residential Facilities, Student Transportation, Food Services, IT, Furniture & Equipment, Insurance, Development	1,576,099
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		3,944,562

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Full appropriation of the amount requested for FY19 will allow SEED Miami to serve 300 students in grades 6-10. SEED Miami serves low-income underserved students who need 24-hour support and a stable learning environment to succeed. SEED Miami provides a rigorous academic program in addition to student life programming which enhances the social and academic skills of SEED Miami students.

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

SEED Miami students meet eligibility criteria defined by Florida statute such as: (1) family gross income at or below 200% federal poverty line; (2) have an incarcerated family member; (3) live in public housing; (4) under the supervision of the child welfare system (1/3 of the open seats are reserved for these students). SEED Miami is expected to serve 300 students in grades 6-10 for school year 2018-19. If more students apply than the school can accommodate, admissions will be conducted via lottery. Students who are not selected for admission during the lottery will have the option of being included on a waiting list and may be selected should space become available.

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



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Academic growth demonstrated by SEED Miami's students is an example of some of the expected benefits of this project. SEED Miami has adopted several practices to aid student development, including adopting the ACT Aspire interim assessment series to measure periodic growth. This decision was made to ensure that there is alignment between our interim and summative assessments. Additionally, SEED Miami utilizes the Fountas & Pinnell Leveled Reading Benchmark Assessments three times during the school year to measure ongoing reading development. SEED Miami provides quarterly and annual reports on its performance data to FL DOE Office of Independent Education and Parental Choice.

g. 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 Office of Independent Education and Parental Choice (OIEPC) at FL DOE is formally assigned to monitor and evaluate the execution of the State Board of Education contract with SEED Miami. OIEPC conducts annual site visits to the SEED Miami campus for the purpose of verifying, among other things, evidence of lesson plans, personnel data, student records and academic and residential facilities. The suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider include termination of the operating contract for failure to maintain adequate progress, thus endangering performance of the contract.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

N/A

13. Requestor Contact Information:

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14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** The SEED School of Miami
- b. **County:** Miami-Dade
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
- d. **Contact Name:** Dr. Kara Locke
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15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.



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