



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1340

1. Title of Project: For The Children Community Learning Center

2. Senate Sponsor: Lori Berman

3. Date of Submission: 02/06/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

For the Children Inc. is a not-for-profit agency located at the historic Osborne School since April 2000 to present. In 2008 For The Children Inc. placed the land on the referendum asking voters in the City of Lake Worth to donate the land to For The Children for 100 years at \$12.00 per year. The whole parcel is about 4.6 acres of land with a three room schoolhouse which now serves 50 low income families with quality and effective education, recreational, and family support services. For The Children has \$1 million in reserve for a building expansion and is seeking an additional \$1.5 million to complete the first two phases by April 2020.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Education

State Agency Contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,500,000	60.0%
Federal		0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)		0.0%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	1,000,000	40.0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	2,500,000	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		



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Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construction of building expansion to provide services to families in an under served and financially disadvantaged community on land located at 1718 Douglas St. Lake Worth.	1,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,500,000

11. Program Performance:

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

The goal of the Community Learning Center is to expand our current facility to serve more families and children ages 3-22 to include early childhood, after school programming for youth ages 6-12, youth and family support services to include programming for high school seniors and juniors who are at risk of not meeting graduation requirements with SAT and ACT test prep along with support to apply for FASFA, college applications, and tour state universities. Algebra tutoring for ninth graders will also be provided as they will need to pass to graduate.

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

Upon completion of phase 1 and phase 2 of the building expansion, the Community Learning Center will be the hub for those residing in the service area to access a variety of activities to include SAT and ACT for seniors and juniors and family support services will be offered in the evening and on weekends including English language classes, health and nutrition classes, and mental fitness classes.

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

Serve families and children ages 3-22 to include early childhood, after school programming for youth ages 6-12, youth and family support services to include programming for high school seniors and juniors who are at risk of not meeting graduation requirements with SAT and ACT test prep along with support to apply for FASFA, college applications, and tour state universities. Algebra tutoring for ninth graders will also be provided as they will need to pass to graduate. On weekends English language classes, health and nutrition classes, and mental fitness classes will be held for the community.

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

The Community Learning Center will serve over 200 families and children who are English language learners residing in Lake Worth, Lantana, Greenacres and Boynton Beach.

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



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will be measured?

Expansion of already successful and beneficial family and youth services to a financially disadvantaged and under served community.

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?

Continuation of funding should be based on meeting program deliverables and outcomes.

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.

Reginale Durandisse is the founder and CEO of the non-profit who will be receiving the funds for building expansion.

13. Requestor Contact Information:

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14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** For the Children Inc
- b. **County:** Palm Beach
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. **Name:** None
- b. **Firm Name:** None
- c. **E-mail Address:**
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