



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3123

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The REACH Program educates students in South Florida about pressing issues in the community and guides students to discover solutions. The program provides participants with educational opportunities where they can earn community service hours and become more engaged in their community. Engagement opportunities are focused on leadership, citizenship, sustainability, and conservationism to cultivate a culture of service.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000

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)	1,000,000	74%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	50,000	4%
Other	300,000	22%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	1,350,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	0	850,000	104	No

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.

In lieu of state funding, we are requesting funding from local agencies

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

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



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Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. 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?

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	The VP of Education will oversee the development, production, and distribution of new curriculum for the REACH Program.	100,000
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Program Managers will report to the Program Director and assist in the development and expansion of REACH. The REACH Program Managers will lead the execution of CauseClass, BLUE Club, CauseCamps and the Building Young Leaders Program. This also includes the support staff and Cause Camps counselors.	625,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	The Reach Program Managers travel to schools throughout Florida to educate students about how they can impact their communities locally. Our presentations are focused on the pillars of leadership, citizenship, conservationism, and sustainability and help students find their power to impact society. These are costs associated with educational fields trips and supplies.	150,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	We partner with creative consultants to produce educational curriculum and content.	125,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

14. Program Performance

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



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The goal is to further develop and expand our capacity for the REACH program, allowing us to provide the services encompassed within the program such as a virtual curriculum, monthly community engagement meetings, and service learning opportunities to more middle school & high school students.

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

The services being provided to middle school and high school students in the State of Florida via an enrichment program that utilizes virtual courses, monthly engagement meetings, and service learning opportunities to foster the next generation of leaders in our community. Our focus is to inspire the youth to be advocates for a water-secure future for our state.

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

Education and Service Opportunities are facilitated for students taking part in the REACH program. Leadership, citizenship, sustainability, and conservationism are the pillars we explore to help our youth find their drop. Through innovative online programming and engaging direct service, students are excited to learn about how they can play a role in ensuring water security for our state.

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

The target population to be served is students ranging from 6th Grade - 12th Grade from underserved communities in Florida.

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

Data will be tracked and collected per our participants within the various programs that fall under the REACH Program. Cultural experience will be met through attendance at our monthly engagement meetings and service opportunities. Serving our local community allows participants to learn more about their cities and the role we play in preserving them. Entrance/Exit interviews will be conducted for our program that will help us collect data on our participants and whether the areas of cultural engagement were met via in-person programming and/or our virtual curriculum. End of Course Survey that will be completed by the participants in the program. The data gathered will allow the program to be continually adapted to meet the needs of the students.

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?

Revocation of Funds

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)



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- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number