



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1283

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The David Posnack Jewish Community Center has a dedicated Holocaust Learning Center. Re-opened in 2022, 2400 children, teens and adults attended an educational session in its first year. This funding will allow the Center to enhance its technology, support more schools and inter-faith groups, and increase the number of innovative educational programs available to people from all backgrounds across Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach Counties.

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                         | 225,000        |
| Fixed Capital Outlay               | 0              |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested</b> | <b>225,000</b> |

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)       | 225,000        | 54%         |
| <b>Matching Funds</b>                                |                |             |
| Federal  | 0              | 0%          |
| State (excluding the amount of this request)         | 0              | 0%          |
| Local  | 0              | 0%          |
| Other  | 195,000        | 46%         |
| <b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b> | <b>420,000</b> | <b>100%</b> |

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

| Fiscal Year<br>(yyyy-yy) | Amount    |              | Specific<br>Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                          | Recurring | Nonrecurring |                             |        |
|                          |           |              |                             |        |

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.

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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We received two Payment Protection Program loans (\$940,700 & \$888,160) and two Employee Retention Credits (\$361,039.14 & \$203,973.24).

### 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         |
|--|--|----------------|
| <b>Administrative Costs:</b>   |  |                |
| Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits                    |  | 0              |
| Other Salary and Benefits  |  | 0              |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other                                |  | 0              |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study                                  |  | 0              |
| <b>Operational Costs: Other</b>  |  |                |
| Salary and Benefits  | Funding will be applied toward the cost of 3 additional teachers, 2 subject matter experts, and 1 art educator, to run Holocaust education youth and cultural arts programs, as well as inter-faith and adult educational programs.    | 102,000        |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other                                | Funding will be applied toward technological improvements to the Center- new Bluetooth headphones to allow an additional 50 people at a time to view all of the exhibits and spaces simultaneously, as well as new learning materials. | 85,000         |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study                                  | Funding to support educators, lecturers, and other subject experts to contribute to the Center's developing program.   | 38,000         |
| <b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>                    |  |                |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering                      |  | 0              |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b> |  | <b>225,000</b> |

**14. Program Performance**

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



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

Funding will go towards teachers and subject matter experts to increase number of school visits for grades 5-12, adult group education tours, and inter-faith sessions. Funding will also be applied for technology enhancements in the Center, extending how many people can be served. It will be used for new curriculum development with a focus on Florida's role in supporting Holocaust survivors.

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

Last year, 2400 children and adults attended a learning session at the Holocaust Learning Center. With this funding, more than 3600 members of the public can be served. Funding will also go towards new learning module development, exhibitions, and enhanced educational provision.

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

The target population served by this project is school age children, grades 5-12, collegiate students, adults and interfaith groups. This target population will also include developmentally disabled and physically disabled individuals as well. With this funding, we expect to serve more than 3600 members of the public (an increase of over 1200).

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

The Holocaust Learning Center at the David Posnack JCC educates visitors about the Holocaust and its relevance to today. The Center uses pre- and post-session surveys to measure learning outcomes and gather feedback from teachers and instructors to improve its programs. The Center's programs supplement the State's mandated curriculum for Holocaust education and are tailored to the specific needs of each group. It incorporates current and local events into its programs to help visitors and students connect the past to the present. Participants undergo a pre and post learning survey, in order to capture distance traveled in terms of new knowledge gained as a result of attending a learning session or tour.

**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?**

Withdrawal and repayment of funds provided.

**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



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- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- 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