



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1759

1. Project Title Jewish Community Alliance (JCA) School Security

2. Senate Sponsor Clay Yarborough

3. Date of Request 02/17/2023

4. Project/Program Description

The JCA is home to a preschool as well as after school programs for elementary and middle school age children. In today's environment of rising antisemitism, hate, and school violence, it is imperative that we upgrade our safety and security measures to help us protect our community. We plan the following upgrades:

- Install a camera system to monitor both the inside and outside of our facility that can instantly be accessed by our local law enforcement partners if there happens to be an event on our premises.
- Install "bulletproof" glass and doors to make it harder for an intruder to gain access.
- Improve the parking lot design to make it harder for someone to cause vehicular damage.
- Replace current stucco columns with reinforced concrete to reduce the damage to the building in the event of an explosion or vehicular collision.
- Meet current fire and other safety codes that our building is current grandfathered into.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Education

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	2,000,000	12%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	14,000,000	88%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	16,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.



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

Yes

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

The Jewish Community Alliance received PPP loans and Employee Retention Tax Credits.

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

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

February 2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

December 2024

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.

The Jewish Community Alliance is a nonprofit 501c3 corporation. The CEO is Adam Chaskin and the current chair of the board of trustees is Sam Stromberg.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The funds will be used to pay for the construction of the safety and security features listed in question 4.	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,000,000

14. Program Performance

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

The funds will be used to increase the safety and security of all who come to the Jewish Community Alliance.



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

Many activities, including preschool, wellness, youth sports, fine arts, theater, etc. occur in the JCA facilities.

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

The Jewish Community Alliance will provide a preschool, kindergarten, elementary and middle school afterschool programs, cultural arts programming, and wellness programming, along with programs designed to assist our senior population.

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

The Jewish Community Alliance serves the entire population of the area, specifically the south side of Jacksonville. Over 6000 individuals come to the Jewish Community Alliance every week.

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

The Jewish Community Alliance expects the outcome of the project to be an increase in safety and security for all who enjoy our programs and this would be measured by the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office.

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?

We do not see the need for consideration of additional penalties since we fully expect the project to be compliant with an acceptable outcome.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Adam **Last Name** Chaskin
b. Organization Jewish Community Alliance
c. E-mail Address adam.chaskin@jcjax.org
d. Phone Number (904)730-2100 **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization Jewish Community Alliance
b. Municipality and County Duval

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 Adam **Last Name** Chaskin



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e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number