



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3538

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

**4. Project/Program Description**

The Caregiving Youth Project (CYP) is the first in the US to support middle and high school students who sacrifice their education, childhood, and their own physical and mental health wellbeing to provide care for chronically ill and/or disabled family members. More than ever, with residual effects of COVID and the impact of the economy and resource lack on families with health conditions, along with more multi-generation households, the demand on students who are already at-risk, is increasing. Roughly 88% of the more than 500 students for whom the CYP currently supports, are minorities. The are at greatest risk of school dropout and yet the nine-year high school graduation rate average of CYP participants is 98.1%. The primary purpose of this request is to protect the academic and personal futures of the rising number of student-caregivers the CYP has yet to reach in Palm Beach County and to further develop services for students in two other counties with a graduation rate <80%.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**  No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	365,600
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>368,600</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)	368,600	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>368,600</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**  Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23				No

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?**  Yes
- a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**
- b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**
- Potential other local grants and fundraising between \$50-\$100K



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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.

AACY received PPP funding of \$111,378 which was used to sustain services.

## 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.

Office space is rented through CBRE. Increasing storage opportunities has no impact on the facility.

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	Allocated President and Project Director	87,500
Other Salary and Benefits	Allocated Administrative Assistant	38,200
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Laptops and software, mileage reimbursement, printing, office supplies, overnight travel to expansion county	54,800
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Director of Education Services, Communications Director, Evaluator, Public Awareness Campaign	95,300
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	Allocated Caregiving Youth Educator	36,200
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Materials development, insurances including cyber security, Zoom, mileage reimbursement, overnight travel to new counties	41,600
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	IT Support	12,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Property refurbishing, cabinets and shelving for storage	3,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>368,600</b>

14. Program Performance

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



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The purpose is to protect the academic futures of caregiving students now called upon to provide at home care for a larger group of affect parents, grandparents, siblings and other household members as the struggle to survive the increase in heart, lung, neurological, and other conditions.

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

Tutors, mentors, laptops, education of school staff and community partners, caregiving coaching, linkages to community resources, activities and connections for Caregiving Youth so they no longer feel alone, knowledge and know how to increase their caregiving abilities, scholarship and future planning support.

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

All services will be provided directly to 6-12th grade students and citizens of Palm Beach and other respective counties.

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

The target population is at-risk 6th - 12th grade student-caregivers who are called upon to deliver at-home care, which is often medical care, for their family members. With the developing expansion model approximately 1800 Caregiving Youth who are most at-risk of dropping out of school can be rescued, monitored and their academic futures can be saved.

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

There is a direct benefit to the student as well as to their school and to society; when students drop out of school they are more prone to crime, drugs, disease, teen pregnancy and ultimate system dependency. With improved academic results, schools are strengthened, and teacher recruitment becomes easier.

**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?**

This is unknown. Some funds will go directly to resources and support services for caregiving students in three counties. Without this support, more students would experience drop out.

**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)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College



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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