



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1777

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

The LEARN goal is to continue to build on the success of year one of the LEARN initiative working with members of Manatee County's Early Learning Task Force (ELTF) and other community agencies to maximize the impact of Manatee County's educational resources for underserved (Title 1) early learners (PK-2nd grade) and their families through the Soar in 4 program and with educational field trips to The Bishop. A commitment for a second year will ensure there is no gap in the work that has been done over the current year to build continuity between existing programs, create new programs, work to eliminate program overlap, and build foundations to create economies of scale. It will also help to strengthen the partnerships built thus far to enable future integration of new and existing community early learning initiatives.

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

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="200,000"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="000"/>
Total State Funds Requested	200,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="200000"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="100.0"/> %
Matching Funds		
Federal	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Local	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Other	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	200,000	100 %

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** Yes No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="2019-20"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="347,110"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="85"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No

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

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		<input type="text"/>
Other Salary and Benefits		<input type="text"/>
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		<input type="text"/>
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input type="text"/>
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Education Program Manager, Education Program Content Specialist, Education Program Assistant.	80,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Museum Admissions, Materials and Supplies, Transportation for Title 1 schools and VPK providers to the Museum, Professional Development, Space Utilization, Teaching Materials and Student Supplies.	120,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input type="text"/>
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		<input type="text"/>
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		200,000



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11. Program Performance

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

The goal of the initiative is to continue to integrate The Mosaic Backyard Universe at The Bishop, into the county's network of early learning resources, enhancing the Early Learning Task Force's (ELTF) efforts to coordinate and deliver an integrated continuum of educational programs for the county's underserved PreK-Grade 2 students and their families. The Bishop has 15 Title 1 schools within a 6-mile radius of the Museum. This year's addition of 4 new community partnerships to enhance the ELTF's original Soar in 4 team shows that we have helped to establish a hub as a central downtown location that will enable continued integration of new and existing community early learning resources. We will also provide STEM education to as many Title 1 school classes in PreK- Grade 2 with free transportation and admission fees to the Museum.

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

The School District of Manatee County and The Bishop will continue to collaborate on Soar in 4 family programming, with plans to expand the program to serve all 15 Title 1 schools and private VPK providers offering monthly programs throughout the calendar year in addition to existing summer programs. In addition, The Bishop will continue to provide free transportation, no-fee field trips and family access to the Mosaic Backyard Universe and the Museum for all Title 1 PreK-Grade 2 students in Manatee County and children enrolled with private providers who live in neighborhoods of poverty, as designated by the current Title 1 school zones. ELC, SDMC, and The Bishop will continue to provide educator and parental workshops for Title 1 PreK-2 and underserved private VPK providers. The grant will continue to support professional staff for program development, implementation, school group scheduling and oversight.

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

Student, Family, and Educator access to coordinated, community and School District based early learning resources at the Bishop Museum of Science and Nature and partner agencies coming together to serve underserved children through these programs.

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

Underserved and Title 1 PK-2nd grade students, their families and their educators. We expect to serve more than 17,000 low income children and families in this second year of service.

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

We expect to see the percentage of underserved/Title 1 students performing at grade level by grade 3 increase annually. It will take three more years to see the results of the program and measure overall effectiveness. The ELC/SDMC's new "Universal Identifier" for each child in the county will enable us to evaluate the number of programs each child participates in, as well as their academic achievement.

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?

No additional penalties outside of those included in the existing contract with the Florida Department of Education, Office of Early Learning.



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12. **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.**

Not applicable.

13. **Requestor Contact Information**

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. **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
 - Other (please specify)
- d. First Name Last Name
- e. E-mail Address
- f. Phone Number

15. **Lobbyist Contact Information**

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.