



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1188

1. Project Title

ADE-Culinary Academy & Silver Program for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

2. Senate Sponsor

Ana Maria Rodriguez

3. Date of Request

02/04/2021

4. Project/Program Description



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A) To continue to operate ADE, Inc. acclaimed Culinary Arts Program for its 8th year. Including Baking/Restaurant Maintenance/Employability Skills Training, providing adults with Autism and Developmental Disabilities a path of future employment in respective fields.

B) To continue to operate ADE, Inc. Silver Program, going on its 5th year. Offering Geriatric Services to meet the needs of our seniors with Developmental Disabilities, within an ambiance conducive of the special comforts and stimuli that the senior population demands. Such as: physical and mental stimulation through exercising and constructive recreational activities, health and wellness etc...

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Agency for Persons with Disabilities

State Agency contacted?

Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022



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Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	300,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	300,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	300,000	22%
Matching Funds		
Federal	499,576	37%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	400,000	29%
Local	150,000	11%
Other	15,000	1%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	1,364,576	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	0	500,000	248	Yes

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.

The State funding is an eminent part of this programs, especially after Covid-19, when local funding, and corporate donations are more difficult to attain.
Also, our consumers cannot self-afford the cost from a private academy.
Approximately 95% of the consumers we serve come from Low Income households.
The pandemic has affected our consumers much harder than the general citizen, being they have many challenges, physically and health related.
We urge the Senate to grant us this appropriation

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.

ADE received \$311,000 PPP. Funds were spent to maintain ADE's employees and subsidize programming costs during the pandemic.
Our agency offers ADT, Supported Employment, and Transportation.
We DO NOT offer residential services.
Agency for Persons with Disabilities is only reimbursing for physical or virtual services.
Parents are afraid of sending consumers back physically, and only 35% of our MW consumers are able to perform the virtual learning.
Our losses has exhausted our PPP.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		



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Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Use Space-Culinary -\$20,400 - Use Space-Geriatric -\$7,890 - Repair/Maintenance -\$4,266.52 - Electricity-\$3,000 Water & Sewer-\$2,999.37 Telephone-\$600 - IT Expense-\$1,000 - Licenses-\$500 - Van Insurance-\$4,400 Van-Gas-\$2,200 – Transportation - \$18,446.40 - General Liability \$7,000.08 - All Risk-\$6,000 - Ed Supplies-\$2,705.40 - Culinary Supplies-\$20,150 Geriatric Supplies-\$5,462.00 -	107,020
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		300,000

12. Program Performance

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

ADE's acclaimed Culinary Training Program has been operational since 2012. This exemplary program provides Culinary-Baking-Restaurant Maintenance Skills, and Employment Training to Adults with Developmental Disabilities. We have been operating this program through the support and funding from the Agency for Persons with Disabilities. ADE, Inc has been granted a special appropriation for this project since 2012. We had never been vetoed until 2020, due to the economic impact of Covid-19. Parents and consumers are urging that we resume this much needed model program. This budget request will also fund ADE's Silver Program, providing Geriatric Services to the DD population 55+ yrs . The program includes stimuli training in a tranquil environment with a Geriatric specialist and a licensed physical trainer. This program started in 2016, through a special approp from APD. It was vetoed last year because of the Pandemic. Parents and consumers are urging for these services to return.

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

Our Total Appropriation request is \$300,000 for the 2021 budget year.

1) \$200,000 will afford the ADE's Culinary Academy, which teaches our special population multiple areas within the culinary field.
This will create a path towards economic self-sufficiency for our consumers of unique abilities.

2) \$100,000 of the funding request will be used to provide Geriatric Services to aging Seniors with Developmental Disabilities, no longer have the ability to join the workforce, but still need a meaningful and stimulating day activity. ADE will be monitoring the progress via Assessment, Progress Data taken 3 times a week, and a Monthly/Yearly Summary Report, as well as developing the goals yearly in the Individual Program Plan.

3) Other General Services: Educational Coordination, Case Management, Crisis Management, Counseling, Behavior programming, Employability Guidance-training, and Transportation will also be offered through this appropriation.

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



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1) The Culinary will include Recruitment and Skills Assessment, and Trainings, such as: Measurements, Food Groups, Kitchen Equipment and Tools, Healthy Eating Principles, Cooking on a Budget, Grocery Shopping in Bulk, Food Storage Methods, Kitchen Safety and Cleanliness, Refrigerate and Freeze Food Rules, and multiple other related skills. Chef Instructors, will guide our students in preparation of dishes that are integrated into our curriculum by Themes, such as: Foods of the World, Food prepared for Special Occasions, Savory vs. Sweet, the South Florida melting pot dishes, Quick 15/30 minute meals, Sandwich and Salad Prep, Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner Favorites, etc.

Employability Skills are incorporated in the curriculum.

2) Silver Program will include geriatric services/physical training.

It provides a stimulating program with recreational skills to enhance quality of life for seniors with Developmental Disabilities. Includes, Educational/Case Management Services and transportation.

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

Culinary Arts Program will serve 24 to 30 adults with developmental disabilities, and with the necessary abilities and behavior to be able to manage a high risk kitchen environment.

Silver program will serve a maximum of 6 adults with developmental disabilities 55 or older.

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

1) The Culinary Program trains our special population in multiple areas within the culinary field.

Covering sophisticated to a more remedial curriculum, so all individual levels of consumers may benefit from these courses.

This will create a path towards economic self-sufficiency in the field of Culinary Services to all consumers, comprising from chef assistant to restaurant maintenance.

2) The Silver Program provides Geriatric Services to aging Seniors with Developmental Disabilities who no longer have the ability or desire to join the workforce, but still need a meaningful and stimulating day activity.

3) ADE will be monitoring the progress via assessment data taken 3 times a week, and a Monthly Summary, as well as developing the goals yearly in the Individual Program Plan for both Culinary and Silver Program. Monitored by The Agency for Persons with Disabilities. Other General Services: Educational Coordination, Case Management, Crisis Management, and Transportation.

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?

ADE, Inc. commits to presenting APD with clear outcomes and quantifiable deliverable goals and objectives that clearly define our services commitment to the programs that will be funded by this Special Appropriation.

Should ADE not be able to fully comply with its target goals we will accept penalty by reduction of funding, quantifiable to the percentage of the unmet goal.

ADE also commits to spend all funds allotted.

We have a history of not allowing lapse of funding.

We realize how valuable this funding is, and it is our objective to use it to the maximum in order to serve the needs of the vulnerable population we serve, Adults with Autism and Developmental Disabilities.

13. 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.

N/A



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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

15. 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

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number