



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1190

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

4. Project/Program Description

SOS Children's Villages Florida (SOS) is a residential foster care community in Coconut Creek. We have 15 buildings, of which 13 are homes for children in the foster care system, one administrative office building, and one multi-purpose community center. Built in 1993, SOS has provided a home for over 800 children in foster care with an emphasis on keeping sibling groups together. SOS also provides an array of on-site services designed to give kids the assistance they need to overcome the trauma of past abuse and neglect, while helping them flourish and grow. SOS also has a secondary program that assists young adults transitioning from the foster care system to adulthood, providing them with the support, resources, and guidance necessary to become productive and contributing members of society. We are looking to address our aging infrastructure needs of the Village campus, which is 28 years old.

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

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	500,000
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	500,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	500,000	100%

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

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

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



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Yes

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

SOS received both rounds of PPP funding (a total of approximately \$968,000) which was used to help cover staff salaries.

11. 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	(1) Appliances (refrigerators, hot water heaters, washer & dryers, stoves, dishwashers - \$80,000 (2) Replace 22 HVAC units - \$98,000 (3) Repaint exterior and interior of all Village buildings & homes - \$216,000 (4) Replace one old steel Community Center roof with new energy efficient one - \$75,000 (5) Preventative maintenance on 14 existing roofs - \$31,000	500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

12. Program Performance

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

Aging infrastructure needs will be addressed. This will allow us to provide the safest and nicest environment for the children we serve. As we are working with the at risk population of children in foster care, it is critical to provide a safe and secure environment, as they have been removed from their homes due to safety concerns. We want to be sure they have the safety and security they need to address these traumas and heal and grow while they are with us. The physical environment is the first step in providing this type of environment for them.

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

Replacement of appliances, painting of buildings, and repair or replacement of roofs.

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

We will continue to provide the foster care services that we currently provide. The repairs and maintenance will allow us to maintain the safe and supportive environment we have been offering to children since we opened our doors 29 years ago. We are very proud of the community we offer and feel that it gives the children a sense of pride and shows them that they are worthy and capable of living in such a community.

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



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SOS houses approximately 50 foster children on our campus on any given day. Depending on how many discharges we have each year, the average number of children we serve over the course of a year can vary with an average of about 85.

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

The homes and buildings will be updated, repairs will be made, and painting will be done. This will ensure that the foster care services we are providing are done in the safest way possible.

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?

Funding reimbursement may be withheld.

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.

SOS Children's Villages Florida, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. As a corporate entity, it has no individual owners.



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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