



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1955

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

4. Project/Program Description

The mission of the All Star Children's Foundation (ASCF) is to build a brighter future for children in foster care through innovation, science, and compassion. ASCF's Campus of Hope and Healing includes a pediatric mental health treatment and research center, along with 6 single-family foster homes, a clubhouse, two playgrounds, and other amenities. Foster parents and children on campus receive comprehensive supportive mental health services from a team of trauma-informed professionals, in addition to other services more specifically described below. It is the intention of this appropriation authorization that the funding provided to All Star shall be for all legitimate expenses incurred by All Star as authorized by the All Star Board, including all overhead, unless such expenses are being funded by another local, state, or federal governmental agency.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	1,250,000

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)	1,250,000	38%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,000,000	31%
Other	1,000,000	31%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	3,250,000	100%

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

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22	0	250,000	310A	No

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.**
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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.

\$142,262 Payroll Protection Program Loan received 04/28/2020 and \$254,075 Payroll Protection Program Loan received 07/14/2021. Funds were used to cover payroll expenses.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Chief Program Director Clinical Director Clinical Specialty Services Director Campus Director	400,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Chief Financial Officer Chief Development Officer Accountant Administrative Assistant	200,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Utilities Repairs & Maintenance Office/Computer Supplies Cleaning & Maintenance Insurance	200,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Legal and Professional Fees	20,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Clinicians Campus Caretaker Campus Case Manager Education Program Specialist Campus Coordinator	300,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Workshops/Conferences Professional Memberships/Licensures Foster Parent Recruitment/Marketing Enrichment Training	95,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Psychiatric Services Speech Therapy Services Occupational Therapy Services Psychological Services	35,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,250,000

12. Program Performance

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

All Star Children's Foundation (ASCF) is committed to demonstrating the impact of comprehensive, family-centered, and science-backed interventions for children and families impacted by intergenerational trauma and family separation. Receiving these funds will allow us to continue offering evidence-based, trauma-informed services and supports to children and families with child welfare involvement by covering a portion of our overall operating budget for FY 2022-2023.

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



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Major program activities and strategies used by All Star to create lasting change among children and families involved in the foster care system include: foster parent training and coaching, foster parent support services, evidence-based clinical services, enrichment programs, trauma-informed systems engagement and collaboration, and a focus on biological family engagement.

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

Foster parents, biological parents, and community providers/stakeholders receive psychoeducation about trauma and its impact on children, as well as training and coaching in trauma-informed parenting and adult-child interaction strategies. Foster parents receive daily support services through volunteers and clinical staff to assist in household management, self-care, biological parent engagement, and parenting. Children in foster care receive comprehensive assessment, multidisciplinary teaming, frequent case reviews, and mental health intervention by a team of licensed mental health professionals with advanced training in evidence-based, and trauma-informed intervention. Children are provided enrichment and tutoring opportunities based on their interests and needs. Biological families are empowered to engage in their child(ren)'s care through participation in mental health services, appointments, and enhanced visitation opportunities.

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

Direct services are provided to licensed foster parents, children placed in out-of-home foster care settings and their biological families, and community providers and stakeholders who work directly with children in foster care [e.g., child welfare case managers, teachers, Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) volunteers, etc.]. We expect to serve approximately 30 children and their biological and foster families over the project year.

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

Expected outcomes among children include reduction in trauma symptoms and behavior problems, improved mental health and well-being, and increased social support. Among foster parents, we expect reduced parenting stress, increased use of trauma-informed parenting skills, and reduced turnover in the foster parenting role. Outcomes will be assessed through pre- and post-assessment parent- and child self-report measures of child mental health functioning, perceived social support, and parenting stress.

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?

Penalties have already been established in our existing contract.

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