



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2255

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

Our Family Program Support Network serves low-income families who are working or in school with high quality childcare, healthcare services and family strengthening services that aim to keep people healthy, employed and able to enhance their career development. Our programming has proven to be an essential resource, especially during the COVID-19 public health & economic crisis. We are the only NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children)-accredited center in Fort Lauderdale serving the entire family through a two-generation model that allows parent to maintain/advance employment and work toward self-sufficiency, through the provision of case management, parent education, and emergency assistance, while their children receive high quality early childhood education. This funding will ensure our ability to provide economic empowerment to parents so they may maintain employment and advance economically.

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	450,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>450,000</b>

**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)	450,000	47%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	500,000	53%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>950,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22		650,000	82	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.

Private funding from Foundation and community organizations.

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.**

\$532,597; Jack & Jill Children's Center used these funds for staff salaries, health insurance and rent.

**11. 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		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	This funding will go towards a portion of the salaries and benefits for each member of our Family Program staff, and a portion of the salary of our Chief Program Officer who oversees the Family Program. This funding will also cover the School Nurse in our HEALTH Program.	308,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	This funding will go towards a portion of expenses associated with the Family Program including professional development and workforce development programming provided to parents.	142,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>450,000</b>

**12. Program Performance**

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

The Family Program Support Network and the HEALTH Program will provide low-income families who are working or in school with high quality childcare, healthcare services and family strengthening services that will keep them healthy, employed and able to enhance their career development. Through the provision of case management, healthcare services, parent education, and emergency assistance, our programming allows parents to maintain/advance employment and work toward self-sufficiency.

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

Jack & Jill Center parents, a large percentage of whom are essential workers and have served the community throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, will be able to maintain/advance their employment due to the services provided by our Family and Health Programs. Our programs directly impact our parents' ability to attend work or school, earn a living, stay healthy and better their economic circumstances.

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

The Family Program strengthens families primarily by providing intensive parent education and case management. Through this program, families increase financial stability, maintain employment and achieve job achievement. Through our HEALTH Program, we reduce barriers to access. Our goal is to ensure the life-long academic achievement, productivity, and success of our children and their families.

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



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90% of the parents we serve live within 175% of the Federal poverty line, are headed by working single mothers who make an average \$27,400/annually, and are supporting more than one child. The target population includes jobless persons; economically disadvantaged persons; homelessness; preschool students and grade school students. We expect to serve 201-400 persons.

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

Children and families enrolled at Jack & Jill Center have unrestricted access to our HEALTH Program. Through comprehensive health assessments, provision of health services, preventative healthcare, and community partnerships, this program has a significant positive impact on the physical health and wellness of our community. We enable children to grow physically, emotionally, and socially in a safe, caring environment using age-appropriate methods for cognitive growth. Children are screened 2-3 times a year using Florida VPK Assessment & Teaching Strategies Gold. Scores are maintained in their individual portfolio and compared to nationally set standards. Through early intervention, family support, parent education, and case management/counseling, we aim to increase and improve economic activity in our community. Jack & Jill administers a Family Assessment upon a family's enrollment and annually thereafter. New assessments are compared to previous ones to track success/effectiveness.

**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?**

Return funding to State.

**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.**

not applicable to the project request



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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