



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2726

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The funds will be used to expand TEDC's social service offerings to its existing low-income and workforce housing residents. The new social services programs will include three new programs.

- 1) Digital literacy for seniors. A platform that will train seniors on how to use digital devices to access services in the community.
- 2) Financial literacy programs including budgeting, saving and investing, credit counseling, and home ownership programs.
- 3) Educational and vocational job training through a strategic partnership with Miami-Dade College in which residents will have an opportunity to complete their GED's and pursue other job training certifications on site.

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 | 400,000 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 400,000 |

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) | 400,000 | 83% |
| Matching Funds | | |
| Federal | 0 | 0% |
| State (excluding the amount of this request) | 0 | 0% |
| Local | 0 | 0% |
| Other | 80,000 | 17% |
| Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 | 480,000 | 100% |

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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

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.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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No

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

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 | Salary and benefits for a full-time Social Services Coordinator to oversee, implement, and evaluate the social services programs. | 100,000 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | Computer lab expansion and to purchase approximately 125 laptops and 200 Chromebook, printed training materials, and participation incentives. | 150,000 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | Contracted services platform for Ascend - a digital literacy program for seniors. | 150,000 |
| Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation: | | |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering | | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 400,000 |

12. Program Performance

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

By expanding the social services programs, TEDC will achieve its goal of helping its residents achieve self-sufficiency through job training and financial literacy and less reliant on subsidized housing and other government programs. With respect to our elderly residents, the goal is assist them in becoming more comfortable with technology and to teach them how to improve the quality of their lives through digital literacy.

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

The residents will be offered a combination of in-person and digitally formatted training. Residents will also be able to participate in career counseling including resume assistance, interview preparation, workshops and job placements. Residents will have the opportunity to obtain a GED as well as enroll in job certification programs at Miami-Dade College.

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

- 1) Seniors will be offered technology training to learn how to use digital devices to access community services, online banking and telehealth services.
 - 2) Residents will be offered financial literacy training designed to build knowledge from the ground up to empower tenants into making informed financial decisions.
 - 3) Through a partnership with Miami-Dade College, on-site certification programs.

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

The targeted population includes teenagers, adults, and senior citizens ages 55 and older.

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



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The benefits will be numerous and will reflect improvements in mental and physical health, and increases in gainful employment and financial stability. The measurement of the results will be captured by surveys with a graduated scale to measure employment and wage increases as well as participant satisfaction. The program will also monitor hours spent on the digital programs and track the number of telehealth visits scheduled.

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?

If the program fails to meet the deliverables or performance measures, it should be given notice and the opportunity to come into compliance. Should the program fail to address the concerns, funding should be withheld until a time that the project complies with the requirements. Failure to meet deliverables would cancel the contract and forfeiture of the remaining balance of unspent appropriation.

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