



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2614

**1. Project Title**

**2. Senate Sponsor**

**3. Date of Request**

**4. Project/Program Description**

Pinellas County Emergency Operations Center designates R'Club to provide childcare for emergency workers during hurricanes. During public health emergencies R'Club remains open, offering childcare services for front line workers. R'Club is requesting funding for hurricane hardening and improved safety and energy efficiency at R'Club's Administrative Building so that childcare operations continue to serve 5,000+ children of working families and provide critical services during natural disasters and public health emergencies.

**5. State Agency to receive requested funds**

**State Agency contacted?**

**6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	768,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>768,000</b>

**7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	768,000	94%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	50,000	6%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>818,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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

## Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

### 11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning    
  Design    
  Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

11/01/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

10/31/2024

12. List 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.

R'Club Child Care, Inc. Board of Directors

### 13. 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		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Hurricane hardening and improving safety and energy efficiency at R'Club's Administrative Building. Replacement of old (2008) roofing on 24,220 square foot building with new hurricane-rated roof materials; purchase, installation, and wiring of 150kw natural gas fueled generator to admin building electric services to prevent power interruption; and the replacement of aging HVAC with new HVAC condensers, air handlers and air purification system to improve safety/health and energy efficiency.	768,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>768,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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



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Hurricane hardening and improving safety and energy efficiency at R'Club's Administrative Building so that childcare operations continue to serve 5,000+ children of working families and provide critical services during natural disasters and public health emergencies.

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

Replacement of old (2008) roofing on 24,220 square foot building with new hurricane-rated roof materials; purchase, installation, and wiring of 150kw natural gas fueled generator to admin. building electric services to prevent power interruption; and the replacement of aging HVAC with new HVAC condensers, air handlers and air purification system to improve safety/health and energy efficiency.

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

R'Club Child Care, Inc. provides high-quality childcare, early learning, before and after school care, and support services annually for an estimated 5,000+ enrolled children age two months to 22 years. During hurricanes and pandemics, R'Club has continuous operations, offering childcare for children of emergency workers, healthcare workers, first responders, and frontline workers

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

Economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, homeless, developmentally disabled, physically disabled, preschool students, grade school students, and first responders, emergency workers, front line health workers needing childcare during emergencies. It will serve more than 800 people.

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

The project will Improve quality of education and be measured by R'Club Admin building does not close or reduce level of program support due to power, air conditioning or water ingress interruptions. It will Safeguard access to childcare for emergency workers/first responders during natural disasters and be measured by tracking of enrollment at designated childcare locations during a declared emergency.

**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?**

Reversion of funds. Standard contract penalties are sufficient.

**15. Requester Contact Information**

a. First Name  Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.

**16. 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)



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- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

**d. First Name**  **Last Name**

**e. E-mail Address**

**f. Phone Number**

#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

**a. Name**

**b. Firm Name**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**