



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1935

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Sudden cardiac arrest is leading cause of death in young athletes. These devastating events have tremendous impact on family, communities, schools, & athletic teams. Nicklaus is an affiliate of Project ADAM, whose mission is to serve children & adolescents through educational, life-saving programs to reduce sudden cardiac arrest mortality. Nicklaus trained all Miami Dade Public Schools to be prepared during such events & are currently training Palm Beach Schools. This will expand our training to other public-school systems.

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

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

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

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	500,000	83%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	100,000	17%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	600,000	100%

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

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

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

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** Yes

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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At the end of 2024, HEARTS Act of 2024, was passed in Washington -Promoting Student Access to AEDS & CPR; Demonstrate ability to develop, train, & implement comprehensive program to promote student access to defibrillation in public elementary & secondary schools. We will seek any potential federal funding and continue to identify philanthropic donors to complement state request.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

10. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

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

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

11. 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.

12. 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	Hiring of coordinators to sustain the program annually in public schools-staff and coordinators to provide the training, debriefings, drills - training provided by Nicklaus Children's Heart Institute clinicians in life-saving methods, including response plan development, perform CPR and use of automated external defibrillators.	120,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Lead trainer to assist with providing the training, debriefings, drills statewide	75,000
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Our team brings educational materials for training purposes, as well as equipment needed to conduct the drill (ex: mannequins, AED trainer, supplies, drill sheets, training instructors, debriefing), marketing materials, vehicle, equipment, also will travel to national meetings and statewide local travel events.	305,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		



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Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

13. Program Performance

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

Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) is the leading cause of death in young athletes. These are devastating events with tremendous impact on the family, local communities, schools, and athletic teams. American Heart Assoc estimates that Statistical out of hospital cardiac arrest survival is around 10%. A focused effort on cardiac arrest preparedness in schools is critical to protect our children & others in the communities across the state. Nicklaus Children's is affiliate of Project ADAM, with mission is to serve children and adolescents through educational, life-saving programs that help reduce SCA mortality.

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

in 2024, Nicklaus trained all Miami Dade Public Schools to be prepared during such events & are currently training Palm Beach County Public Schools. This will expand our training to 200 additional school in our state. Nicklaus will work closely with DOE to identify a number of key public-school systems
<https://vimeo.com/likesuperclutch/review/938312641/02bbba9921>
<https://southfloridahospitalnews.com/nicklaus-childrens-hospitals-project-adam-outreach->
 Nicklaus Children's is committed to utilize these funds to continue to implement life-saving training and education programs

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

Nicklaus Children's will work closely with DOE to identify a number of key public-school systems that can benefit greatly from the expert training by Nicklaus to continue to implement life-saving training and education programs at identified schools throughout the State. We aim to train 200 additional schools with these funds. Studies demonstrate best chance of saving a life is in first 4 minutes of a SCA. Survival to hospital discharge for SCA in kids ages 1 to 11 is 17% & kids ages 12 to 18 it is 24%. Reducing time to defibrillation improve survival by 7-10% per minute. Early & effective CPR shows double or triple the chance of SCA survival. Where CPR/AED administered 85% students survive

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

Public School Systems (200 schools, its staff, students). Our training saved 9 lives in the last 2 years. At end of 2024, HEARTS Act of 2024, passed in Washington-Promoting Student Access to AEDS & CPR-Demonstrate an ability to develop, train, & implement comprehensive program to promote student access to defibrillation in public elementary & secondary schools. This funding will allow Nicklaus to expand our training further & quicker and could set up FL's elementary & secondary schools & sports programs to potentially receive federal support for these activities in the near future. It will also allow FL to be a national leader in this space.

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

- Train school faculty how to construct a cardiac emergency response team · The skills on how to respond with communication, CPR, use of an AED ·In order to pass the cardiac emergency response drill, school faculty must demonstrate as a team: response to the victim, CPR, and AED use with the 1st shock delivered in < 3 minutes to receive "Heart Safe Recognition" ·Improved cardiac arrest survival in schools that receive this training ·Schools that receive training will be logged in a password protected server and information via RedCap QR code to notify the Project ADAM team if a cardiac arrest occurs on school campus ·Methodology to measure outcomes quantified via
- Methodology to measure outcomes is a quantified via (# of SCA on school campus/ #SCA survived)
- Quality of the education material and PA instructor led training is measured via a 5 question post RedCap survey

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 in the contract?

Failure to utilize the funds in the specified manor shall result in funds being returned to the State



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14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

18. Recipient Contact Information



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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 **Ext.**

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.