

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: JAFCO Children's Ability Center
2. Date of Submission: 09/10/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: Michael Gottlieb
Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes
If answer to 4a is "No" skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d, Col. E
- b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2019-20
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request:

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2019-20 <i>(If appropriated in 2019-20 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2020-21 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)</i>		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated <i>(Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)</i>	Recurring Base Budget <i>(Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)</i>	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds <i>(Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E.)</i>
Input Amounts:		500,000	500,000		950,000	950,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2020-21? No
 - 5a. If yes, which state agency?
 - 5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested? Agency for Persons with Disabilities
 - 5c. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? Yes
 - 5d. Describe penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures which the agency should provide in its contract to administer the funding if appropriated.
standard penalties to include return of funds.

6. Requester:

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- b. Organization: JAFCO Children's Ability Center
- c. Email: ebogdanoff@beckerlawyers.com
- d. Phone #: (954)232-5678

7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project:

- a. Name: Sarah Franco
- b. Organization: JAFCO
- c. Email: sarah@jafco.org
- d. Phone #: (954)315-8680

8. Is there a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project?

- a. Name: Ellyn Bogdanoff
- b. Firm: Becker and Poliakoff
- c. Email: ebogdanoff@beckerlawyers.com
- d. Phone #: (954)232-5678

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: JAFCO Children's Ability Center
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Broward
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Statewide

10. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds? (Select one)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government
- University or College
- Other (Please describe)

11. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds being requested?

The JAFCO Children's Ability Center provides quality respite, family enrichment and resources to families raising children with autism and other developmental disabilities. The center is open 24/7/365 to provide overnight out-of-the-home extended respite care and intensive case management to improve functioning of the entire family, lower stress levels, increase daily living and social skills of the children, preserve the family unit, and avoid costly out-of-home placement for the state.

12. Provide specific details on how funds will be spent. (Select all that apply)

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. E) Enter "0" if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	90% of the funds will be used for program staff to provide 24 hour care for the children in the respite program. These staff include psychologists, social workers, therapists, BCBA (Board Certified Behavior Analyst), nurses, and direct care staff.	855,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	10% of the funds will be used for food and other supplies for the children and the programs including iPads for communication, computer software,	95,000

	art supplies, and music therapy.	
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		950,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue (In Question 12, category “h. Fixed Capital Outlay” was selected), what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (Select one correct option)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government (e.g., police, fire or local government buildings, local roads, etc.)
- State agency owned facility (For example: college or university facility, buildings for public schools, roads in the state transportation system, etc.)
- Other (Please describe)

14. Is the project request an information technology project?

No

15. Is there any documented show of support for the requested project in the community including public hearings, letters of support, major organizational backing, or other expressions of support?

Yes

15a. Please Describe:

JAFCO has a large base of over 5,000 donors who have provided over \$15 million to build the center and now support the daily operations. Over 600 families utilize the center currently and 324 children were served directly by last year's appropriation.. All of these individuals have expressed their support of the center and the program. JAFCO collaborates with the School Board, United Way, Children's Services Council, Special Needs Consortium, the Friendship Circle, DCF, APD, JCC and others.

16. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?

Yes

16a. Please Describe:

In 2017 JAFCO engaged Nova Southeastern University for a third party evaluation to determine the impact of the Ability Center programs on the entire family measuring parent satisfaction, parent stress, family isolation and the family's experience at the Ability Center. The report is now complete and was quite favorable in all areas. It is available upon request.

17. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?

Yes

17a. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the purpose of the funds?

Day and overnight out-of-home respite at the Ability Center including two weeks a year per child and comprehensive support services to families raising a child with a developmental disability including intensive case management, parent behavior training and social and life skills training for the children.

17b. Describe the direct services to be provided to the citizens by the funding requested.

JAFCO serves children (ages 0 to 22) of all developmental disabilities. Families have access to a 24-hour emergency support and a clinical team consisting of therapist, social workers, psychologists and behavior analysts. The Ability Center is open every day that school is closed including weekends and holidays. Respite services allow the children to enjoy enrichment activities while the parents enjoy a break from the overwhelming demands of parenting a child with a developmental disability.

17c. Describe the target population to be served (i.e., "the majority of the funds requested will serve these target populations or groups.").

Select all that apply to the target population:

- Elderly persons
- Persons with poor mental health
- Persons with poor physical health
- Jobless persons
- Economically disadvantaged persons
- At-risk youth
- Homeless
- Developmentally disabled
- Physically disabled
- Drug users (in health services)
- Preschool students
- Grade school students
- High school students

- University/college students
- Currently or formerly incarcerated persons
- Drug offenders (in criminal Justice)
- Victims of crime
- General (The majority of the funds will benefit no specific group)
- Other (Please describe)

17d. How many in the target population are expected to be served?

- < 25
- 25-50
- 51-100
- 101-200
- 201-400
- 401-800
- >800

18. What benefits or outcomes will be realized by the expenditure of funds requested? (Select each Benefit/Outcome that applies)

Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health	75% of parents raising a child with a developmental disability will report decrease in parental stress.	Parental Stress Index
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)		

<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe): Maintain Family Unit	85% of children will avoid costly out-of-home residential placements funded by the State	Measured every 6 months via parent survey

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2020-21 from all sources of funding (Enter "0" if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	950,000	24.1%	N/A

2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local:	2,000,000	50.6%	Yes
5. Other:	1,000,000	25.3%	Yes
TOTAL	3,950,000	100%	

20. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

No