

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Foster Parent Recruitment and Stability Project

2. Date of Submission: 11/13/2019

3. House Member Sponsor: Ana Rodriguez

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4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- 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
- What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2019-20
- Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No
- 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:		400,000	400,000		800,000	800,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2020-21? Yes

5a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Children and Families

5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

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.

A reduction in the amount of allocation based on the actual number of foster families recruited, licensed, or if the stability rate of 3.09 is not met.

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Kevin Enders
- b. Organization: 4KIDS of South Florida
- c. Email: KevinE@4KIDS.us
- d. Phone #: (954)979-7911

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

- a. Name: Kevin Enders
- b. Organization: 4KIDS of South Florida
- c. Email: KevinE@4KIDS.us
- d. Phone #: (954)979-7911

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

- a. Name: Amy Bisceglia
- b. Firm: Rubin Turnbull & Associates
- c. Email: Amy@RubinTurnbull.com
- d. Phone #: (813)361-4805

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: 4KIDS of South Florida
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Broward
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Broward

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 4KIDS Foster Parent Recruitment and Stability Project will support the recruitment and licensing of foster families in FY 2020-2021, resulting in up to 75 new foster families and ultimately reducing the number of children in group care in circuits 15, 17, and 19. Additionally, this project will positively affect the stability of existing foster care placements resulting in a stability rate of 3.09 or less moves per 1,000 days in care (a 25% reduction in moves versus the current State goal).

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	To cover the cost of staff members responsible for foster parent recruitment, training and licensing, therapy program oversight and services.	800,000
<input type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		

<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		800,000

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?

No

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

No

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?

The 4KIDS Community Engagement Team will continue to build partnerships with local churches and research new opportunities to engage the church community to recruit foster families. The team will engage, educate, and encourage potential foster families through presentations on the need for foster parents and will also host information sessions on the foster parent training and licensing process. The outreach strategy includes connecting with church leaders to set up opportunities for presentation

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

The Foster Parent Recruitment and Stability Project will result in the provision of more quality foster homes for children who have suffered from abuse, abandonment, and neglect. Children will be safe and living in a healthy environment. Additionally, children and

families who are a part of the foster and adoptive family unit and who are under- or uninsured will receive trauma-informed therapeutic care.

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): Children in foster care

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 type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	Recruit and license up to 75 new foster parents in circuits 15,17, and 19 to care for children removed from their homes due to abuse, abandonment, and neglect.	Extended reach database to record new foster parents licensed per month. It is also recorded in the State of Florida's database.
<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): Youth Stability	Achieve a placement stability rate of a maximum of 3.09 moves per 1,000 days in foster care.	Reach database recording of moves per child within the 4KIDS agency.

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:	800,000	100.0%	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:	0	0.0%	No
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	800,000	100%	

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

No