

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2017-18

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Miami-Dade Marjory Stoneman Douglas Biscayne Nature Center Exhibit and Landscape Project

2. Date of Submission: 02/03/2017

3. House Member Sponsor: Nicholas Duran

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4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
If answer to 4a is ?NO? skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d
- b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request (Note that column E will be the total of Recurring funds requested and Column F will be the total Nonrecurring funds requested, the sum of which is the Total of the Funds you are requesting in column G):

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2016-17 <i>(If appropriated in 2016-17 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2017-18 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited. Any additional Nonrecurring funding requested to supplement recurring funds in the base will result in the base recurring amount being converted to Nonrecurring .)</i>		
	Column:	A	B	C	D	E
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 Request <i>(Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D to be CONVERTED to Nonrecurring plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E. These funds will be appropriated non-recurring if funded in the House Budget or the Final Conference Report on the budget.)</i>
Input Amounts:					750,000	750,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2017-18? 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? For example, if the requested issue pertains to services provided to inmates at correctional facilities, the Department of Corrections would be the most appropriate state agency. Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Theodora Long
- b. Organization: Marjory Stoneman Douglas Biscayne Nature Center
- c. Email: theodoralong@biscaynenaturecenter.org
- d. Phone #: (305)361-6767

7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project (Please retype if same as Requester):

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- b. Organization: Marjory Stoneman Douglas Biscayne Nature Center
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- d. Phone #: (305)361-6767

8. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.

- a. Name: None
- b. Firm: None
- c. Email:
- d. Phone #:

9. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds(Please retype if same as Requestor or Contact):

- a. Name: Marjory Stonemon Douglas Biscayne Nature Center
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Miami-Dade
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Miami-Dade

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?

Funding would enable the MSD Biscayne Nature Center to enhance and add exhibits in order to familiarize its visitors with area ecosystems and teach and inform them of current issues and concerns preserving and conserving or natural environment.

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

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. F) 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	An Exhibit Designer will be hired to design and plan exhibits. Exhibit builder will be contracted to built and install exhibits. Landscape architect will design and contract for planting.	750,000
Operational Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits		
<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		750,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue, what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (In Question 12, if ?h. Fixed Capital Outlay? was not selected, question 13 is not applicable)

N/A

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:

Yes, we have letters of support from local public officials, Miami-Dade Schools, and local residents and visitors requests.

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. Describe the target population to be served. 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
- Other (Please describe)

17b. 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 all that applies)

Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health	Scientific research demonstrates that exposure to nature improves physical health. Visitors will exercise, reduce blood pressure, and have a beautiful outdoor space to breathe clean air.	The number of visitors and returning visitors to the Center is logged and recorded. Evaluations and feedback from visitors, staff and program participants as well as reviews on social media.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health	Visitors will express positive improvements in mental health and stress reduction. Inner City groups will enjoy time away from their concrete filled neighborhoods.	The number of visitors and returning visitors to the Center is logged and recorded. Evaluations and feedback from visitors, staff and program participants as well as reviews on social media.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience	Visiting the MSD Biscayne Nature	The number of visitors and returning

	Center is a cultural experience. Learning the History of Key Biscayne, about our famous Floridian, Marjory Stoneman Douglas and visiting our Art Gallery.	visitors to the Center is logged and recorded. Evaluations and feedback from visitors, staff and program participants as well as reviews on social media.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education	Visitor's and participants in our Educational programming will leave the Center with improved knowledge of native plants and benefits of planting native species in their own yards and neighborhoods.	Evaluation and feedback from visitors. Programs will be fully booked. Volunteers will participate in our restoration days.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education	Over 30,000 visitors will be exposed to South Florida ecosystems and nature conservation at the only hands-on Nature Center in Miami-Dade County.	All visitors and program participants are kept track of in our monthly reports.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality	The Landscaping Project will improve and enhance the wildlife habitat around the Nature Center. The native plants and animals will thrive and flourish.	Plants and animals are monitored by staff. Biodiversity surveys of marine organisms are completed after each educational program in the sea grass and mangrove habitats.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	Visitors will become familiar with harmful plants and marine mammals and learn how to identify and handle them safely. Visitors will also become familiar with invasive species that are harmful to the environment.	Staff and visitor surveys.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	Revenue to Miami-Dade County generated from visitors, programming, concession stands and	Comparison of revenue stream year to year on a positive trend

	parking	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism	New landscaping and exhibits will attract more out of town visitors and new local visitors to the center to learn about South Florida's environment in a beautiful setting	The number of visitors will be tracked and will increase
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities	Contractors, architects, landscape architects, engineers, exhibit designers, marine biologists and more interpretive staff will be required to complete project	New staff generated by additional revenues and attendee traffic will be tracked and recorded
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency	Contractors, architects, landscape architects, engineers, exhibit designers, marine biologists and more interpretive staff will be required to complete project	New staff generated by additional revenues and attendee traffic will be tracked and recorded
<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 type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2017-18 from all sources of funding (Enter ?0? if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total (Automatically Calculates)	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	750,000	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	750,000	100%	

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

No