

FUNDING APPLICATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organization Information

Legal Name: Any Baby Can of San Antonio, Inc.		Federal Tax ID#: 74-2684333		501(c)(3) Public Charity 509 (a)(1)	
Address: 217 Howard Street		City: San Antonio		State: TX	
				Zip Code: 78212	
Website: www.anybabycansa.org		Fax: (210) 547-3017		United Way Funded: Yes	

Fiscal Year:
July 01 to June 30

Head Of Organization

Name: Elyse Bernal		Title: President/CEO	
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Application Contact

Name: Ednita Galvan		Title: Grants Director		E-Mail Address: hhernandez@abcsa.org		Phone: (210) 227-0170	
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Previous Najim Funding

Year	Funding \$
2007	\$50,000
2008	\$50,000
2009	\$50,000
2010	\$50,000
2011	\$50,000
2012	\$75,000
2013	\$40,000
2014	\$50,000
2015	\$50,000
2016	\$50,000
2017	\$75,000
2018	\$75,000
2019	\$50,000
2020	\$75,000
Total	\$790,000

Has the organization applied to the Najim Charitable Foundation in the past and been declined?

No

Grant Amount Requested \$:	Total Project Budget \$:	Organization's Annual budget \$:
\$85,000	\$351,117	\$2,567,841

Mission Statement:

The mission of Any Baby Can (ABC) is to serve families of children and youth facing serious health or developmental challenges.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Program / Project Title:

Any Baby Can Operations

PROJECT TIMELINE

Start Date	End Date
07/01/2021	06/30/2022

Harvey E. Najim Charitable Foundation Priorities:

Disabilities/Special Needs

Program / Project Description:

Need the project will address: ABC addresses emergency and critical needs of families to appropriately care for their child/youth with a disability or special health care need.

Grant Request: ABC respectfully request funds to support operations, including partial funding for program staff (case manager and prescription assistance advocate) and Patty's Angel Fund, a direct financial assistance fund that helps children access much-needed items such as prescription medication, medical equipment, and many other critical items.

Program/Project:

Patty's Angel Fund is a critical component of ABC's safety net services developed to address the vital needs of families raising a child with a serious disability or special health care need: tangible/direct assistance, known as Patty's Angel Fund. Every family enrolled in ABC services has access to Patty's Angel Fund through the help of their case manager or advocate. Funds assist with prescription medication, durable medical equipment and supplies, specialized formula and nutritional supplies (not available through food pantries), basic household needs, home safety equipment, funeral assistance, and other items identified through the client and family's assessment and goals. ABC strives to ensure that families have the help they need to remain stable and alleviate stressors. ABC continues to address the dire needs of the community.

ABC has experienced a 291% increase in requests for medical equipment for children with special health care needs. ABC was able to pivot and expanded services through the Prescription Assistance Program (PAP), which helps children access prescription medications. Many families are without the resources to afford cranial helmets seen as cosmetic by insurance companies and Medicare. The cost of a cranial helmet is from \$1,800 up to \$3,000 depending on the measurements and child's needs. At this time, there was no agency in the community helping families in accessing medical equipment. Other nonprofits like Project MEND provides medical equipment only when in stock from donations, and if not available, families force to figure out solutions. Many families are left helpless utilizing predatory lending practices such as payday lenders. PAP Advocates help families by guiding them through the process to receive a cranial helmet. This includes working with the medical equipment provider and the child's physician. ABC staff help families fill out the necessary paperwork and communicate with the child's physician to get the proper documentation to ensure the child receives the much-needed cranial helmet. PAP Advocates access Patty's Angel Fund to purchase medical equipment like cranial helmets, medication, or other critical items for the child with a special health care need.

Additionally, ABC experienced a 47% increase in funeral assistance from families facing the loss of their child or youth. Through ABC's Center for Infant and Child Loss, we help families who have experienced the tragic loss of their child by helping them with financial assistance through Patty's Angel Fund to provide a meaningful and dignified farewell. ABC is the only agency in the community that provides bereavement support to parents that have experienced the loss of a child. Additionally, services include grief literature and counseling support, funeral assistance, and an annual memorial service.

ABC programs guide, support, educate, and empower parents to adapt and navigate the various stages of their child's medical journey. ABC offers the only comprehensive case management program of its kind, working with families to navigate the health and human services systems. Families create person-centered goals, attain resources, and access a full array of educational and support services, including housing and employment assistance. Case managers ensure families get the support they need to access medical care and community resources to prevent poor outcomes, including abuse and neglect, of a vulnerable population of children. This program helps families leave the cycle of crisis and enter a position of stability to take care of the whole family. In FY20, ABC completed 6,180 home visits and made over 3,068 community referrals to ensure that all needs were addressed.

Individuals impacted: The need to assist families following the birth or diagnosis of their child with a special health care need has not abated in our community. ABC serves families raising children with special health care needs in Bexar County, and families represent every social, economic, and educational level. Though a child with disabilities can be born into any family, most families utilizing services are those with few resources; 58% of families lived at or below 100% of the poverty level.

Goal: The goal is to stabilize the family so that parents can provide appropriate care and a safe environment for their child with a disability. ABC services improve the quality of life for the entire family, especially the child.

Expected results: As a result of ABC programs, families who participate are found to be more knowledgeable about their child's condition, feel more competent to manage parenting challenges, and experience decreased family stress. Parents are better able to make decisions and advocate for their children after completing ABC programs. Families improve their coping skills, are better able to move on to face future challenges, and are better able to adapt to changed circumstances. Family stress decreases as parents increase their overall feelings of competency. As family stress decreases, family stability is restored, preventing family break-up and ensuring that families will provide appropriate and nurturing care to their children, and both the child and family will grow and develop to the best of their ability.

Evaluation Plan:

ABC program data is entered, tracked, and maintained in ClientTrack, a dedicated database. Families access Patty's Angel Fund through all ABC programs, and Patty's Angel Fund expenditures are tracked by program and accounting staff. Surveys are conducted at intake, and once the case becomes inactive to determine the change in knowledge of the child's condition, knowledge of and ability to access community resources, enrollment in a medical home, in parental feelings of competency to meet family needs and of satisfaction with agency services. Evaluation results are compiled, analyzed, and reviewed by the Program Director and shared with the leadership team.

Plans to sustain project beyond the term of this request:

ABC leadership is working will strengthen the organization's financial sustainability. In conjunction with the development team, the leadership is actively working on improving the agency's financial sustainability through a Strategic Development Plan. The plan includes re-engaging individual donors, corporate donors and revamping agency events to maximize impact for the families we serve. Funding can be targeted to specific programs that are challenging to sustain or need funding year-round. Regarding grants, ABC diligently seeks out available resources to maintain the agency's unique programs provided at no cost to families and are not available anywhere else, without any barriers to entry.

Children Impacted:

How many unduplicated children will the TOTAL PROJECT INITIATIVE impact?		How many unduplicated children will NCF REQUESTED FUNDS impact?	
2,000		1,200	
Please provide the percentage of each group below that will be served by the project in which funds are being requested. Do not leave any area blank. If that specific group will not be served, include zero. The percentage should total 100%.			
A. Population Served Age		B. Population Served Ethnicity	
Infants (0-5)	45%	African American	8%
Children (6-13)	35%	Asian American	0%
Young Adults (14-18)	20%	Caucasian	23%
TOTAL:	100%	Hispanic/Latino	65%
		Native American	0%
		Other and Define	4%
		TOTAL:	100%
City Council District for Which Children are Being Served:			
District1, District2, District3, District4, District5, District6, District7, District8, District9, District10, Outside San Antonio			
Counties applicant is in:			
Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Kerr, Medina, Wilson			
Line item Budget:			
Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Najim Funds Allocation	
Personnel (Salary, Payroll Taxes, Fringe Benefits)	\$233,767	\$25,000	
Food Direct Assistance	\$4,150	\$1,000	
Legal Direct Assistance	\$300	\$0	
Therapy Direct Assistance	\$2,300	\$0	
Budgeting Direct Assistance	\$150	\$0	
Daily Living Direct Assistance	\$2,950	\$0	
Education Direct Assistance	\$2,200	\$0	
Safety Direct Assistance	\$3,350	\$1,000	
Clothing Direct Assistance	\$600	\$0	
Shelter and Utility Direct Assistance	\$11,650	\$0	
Medicine Direct Assistance	\$8,250	\$7,000	
Medical Providers Direct Assistance	\$1,000	\$0	
Medical Equipment Direct Assistance	\$35,000	\$25,000	
Baby Supplies Direct Assistance	\$2,400	\$0	
Childcare Direct Assistance	\$500	\$0	
Funeral Direct Assistance	\$33,150	\$20,000	

Transportation Direct Assistance	\$1,350	\$0
Counseling Direct Assistance	\$4,400	\$4,200
Other Direct Assistance	\$3,650	\$1,800
TOTAL:	\$351,117	\$85,000

OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES

For Project being Requested: Funding sources and amounts, pending and committed.

PROJECT - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
*denotes not for Direct Assistance	\$0
*McKenna Foundation	\$40,000
*Alfred Gage Foundation	\$5,000
*Cowden Charitable Foundation	\$10,000
*Kronkosky Foundation	\$94,000
*Baptist Health Foundation of San Antonio	\$35,000
*Mays Family Foundation	\$5,000
TOTAL:	\$189,000

PROJECT - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
*denotes not for Direct Assistance	\$0
*Maximus Foundation	\$8,000
*Warm Springs Foundation	\$10,000
Myra Stafford Pryor Charitable Trust (funeral assistance only)	\$15,000
Green Umbrella Corporation	\$3,000
TOTAL:	\$36,000

Other funding sources and amounts, pending and committed not specific to this request.

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Valero	\$35,000
Mays Family Foundation	\$5,000
Greehey Family Foundation	\$25,000
Alamo Kiwanis Foundation	\$5,000
Gordon Hartman Foundation	\$25,000
Kronkosky Charitable Foundation	\$231,000
Baptist Health Foundation of San Antonio	\$65,000
McKenna Foundation	\$20,000
United Way of Guadalupe	\$5,000
Coates Charitable Foundation	\$10,000
HB Family Foundation	\$10,000

Kelso Foundation	\$20,000
HEB	\$15,000
Quik Trip Foundation	\$10,000
Dalkowitz Foundation	\$10,000
David & Betty Sacks Foundation	\$10,000
Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country	\$15,000
Hal & Charlie Peterson Foundation	\$25,000
Stevens Foundation	\$10,000
Matthew's Charitable Foundation	\$1,000
Holt Family Foundation	\$25,000
University Health System	\$15,000
Communicare	\$10,000
Community First Health Plan	\$15,000
	\$0
	\$0
	\$0
TOTAL:	\$617,000

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
City of San Antonio	\$57,400
Texas Dept. of Health Services (CASE)	\$203,000
Texas Dept. of Health Services (FSCR)	\$150,000
Texas Dept. of Family & Protective Services	\$51,034
United Way of Bexar County and San Antonio	\$374,599
United Way of Comal County	\$22,000
Anderson Foundation	\$20,000
Warm Springs	\$20,000
TOTAL:	\$898,033

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

What percentage of your board contributes financially to the organization?
100%

If Board giving is not at 100%, please explain why?
The Board contributes 100% financially to ABC.

How are board members expected to participate in your organization?

Board members are actively involved in fundraising, and 100% donate annually. Board members are expected to attend monthly board meetings and to serve on at least one standing committee, which includes: Program Advisory Committee (PAC), Executive, Finance, and several special event committees. The PAC drives strategic planning efforts, provides input on program development, and makes decisions on new and existing programs based on need, fit with mission, availability of resources, and findings of evaluations. The ABC Board of Directors encompasses a diverse group that includes doctors, financial experts, community volunteers, and parents of children with special health care needs that review program performance, outcomes, and areas for improvement. ABC Board Members are also responsible for building connections to enhance individual and corporate donations for each special event or the overall agency.

LIST OF BOARD DIRECTORS

Name & Office Held	Corporate Affiliation
Board Chair, Pallavi Chintapalli Nemani	Attorney
Board Vice-Chair, Stacy Thibodeaux	Fantastic Sam's Owner
Board Treasurer, Marcel Theriot	Generations Federal Credit Union
Board Secretary, John Luce, PE, Col. (RET)	Orion Construction Co., Inc.
Duane Bunce	Zachry Industrial, Inc.
Catherine Carroll	Attorney
Juli Henderson	JH Voice Studio
Kate M. Himes	Generations Federal Credit Union
Marlee Kutzer	Amegy Bank
Louis Labatt	CPS Energy
Matthew Lawrence	Howard Energy
Mari Mitchell	Mitchell Realty, LLC
Dr. Rayford Mitchell	Atascosa Health Center
Sandra Salinas	Law Office
Olivia Ortiz	Owner Burnt Nopal
Brian Wilganowski	K3 Construction
Sharon Carlson	Comal County
Jay Podjenski	City of San Antonio
Kimberly Ury	Valero

Signature

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