

Funding Application

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organization Information

Legal Name: A World For Children		Federal Tax ID#: 74-2811105		501(c)(3) Public Charity 509 A (3)	
Address: 2007 Sam Bass Rd., Buildg 2		City: Round Rock		State: TX	
Website: www.awfc.org		Fax: (512) 214-4400		United Way Funded: No	
Zip Code: 78664					

Head Of Organization

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Application Contact

Name: Ronda Harth		Title: Agency Liaison		E-Mail Address: harthr@awfc.org		Phone: (325) 642-2317	
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Previous Najim Funding

Year	Funding \$
2010	\$73.00
2011	\$42.00
2012	\$41.00
2013	\$39.00
2014	\$24.00

Has the organization applied to the Najim Family Foundation in the past and been declined?
No

Grant Amount Requested \$:	Total Project Budget \$:	Organization's Annual budget \$:
\$40,000	\$536,000	\$16,351,882

Mission Statement:
Our mission at A World For Children is to serve at risk children and families by providing quality services focusing on prevention, support, assessment, therapeutic intervention and permanency.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Program / Project Title:

Bridging The Gap

Harvey E. Najim Family Foundation Priorities:

Child Abuse & Child Neglect

Program / Project Description:

As an agency that works with traumatized children, we work to ensure that our children not only receive their basic needs, but they also have a life of "normalcy". Unfortunately, the per diem reimbursements paid by the State are meant to only cover the children's necessities, such as food, clothing, and shelter. AWFC has a project called "Bridging the Gap". This program is broken down into the following programs:

JUMP START: Upon placement, the children many times come with nothing but the clothes they are wearing. The foster parents do not receive reimbursement for their needs on the first day of placement and many times do not have the resources to purchase the needed supplies. AWFC gives each foster parent \$150 to "jump start" the child's immediate needs upon placement.

BACK TO SCHOOL: Every child receives \$50 for school supplies and and \$100 for back to school clothing, so they can begin school with a fresh new start and feel confident about their appearance.

SUMMER RECREATION: In the summer every year, we take all of our families and children, from across the State, to Fiesta Texas in San Antonio, TX for a day of fun, fellowship and making memories the children will never forget. This one day alone cost AWFC approximately \$100,000. We feel it is important to give our children an annual summer vacation that will forever be in their hearts.

CHRISTMAS: At Christmastime, each area has a themed Christmas party, which Santa attends and hands out gifts to our kids from their own personalized wish list. AWFC also gives each child a \$50 Walmart gift card to spend as they wish on themselves and/or their friends and family members.

BIRTHDAY: AWFC gives each foster child a \$25 gift card to purchase something for their birthday. Most of our children have never been acknowledged on their birthdays so we want to ensure that as long as they are in our care, their birthday will be a special day for them.

LAUNCH CAMP: This is a 4 day AWFC camp which helps prepare our teenagers to launch into adulthood once they leave care.

Evaluation Plan:

AWFC foster parents turn in receipts for the Jump Start clothing and Back to School supplies to ensure our children have directly benefited from the funding providing for them. Our case managers visit the homes a minimum of two times per month and talk individually and privately to our children to ensure all their needs are being met. Additionally, our staff are in the foster homes so they are able to see the material things the children have and are able to ensure their needs are being met as expected. We also receive feedback from school personnel, therapists, CASA workers and CPS workers who also work with our children.

Plans to sustain project beyond the term of this request:

AWFC works diligently to keep our administrative cost well below the State mandated 20% to help shoulder some of the burden of the extra programs. However, as it always is, there never seems to be enough funding to cover everything that needs to be done. By partnering with outside entities, we are able to continue our "Bridging the Gap" program. We also continue to explore new partnerships that will allow us to continue to give above and beyond to our children. We believe that in doing so, we are helping to heal their broken spirits and giving them hope for productive and healthy futures. The bulk of our funding comes from private donors.

Children Impacted:

How many unduplicated children will the TOTAL PROJECT INITIATIVE impact?

725

How many unduplicated children will NFF REQUESTED FUNDS impact?

90

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)	39%	African American	13%
Children (6-13)	37%	Asian American	1%
Young Adults (14-18)	24%	Caucasian	30%
TOTAL:	100%	Hispanic/Latino	51%
		Native American	1%
		Other and Define	4%
		TOTAL:	100%

City Council District for Which Children are Being Served:

District10

Line item Budget:

Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Najim Funds Allocation
Jump Start Clothing 853 children @ \$150	\$128,000	\$2,250
Back to School Clothing (ages 5 and up) 500 @ \$100	\$50,000	\$6,500
School Supplies 500 children @ 50.00	\$25,000	\$3,250
Birthday Gift Cards	\$15,000	\$2,250
Christmas Expenses-Gift Cards-750 @ \$50.00	\$37,500	\$2,250
Christmas Expense-Santa Gifts- \$750 @ \$50.00	\$37,500	\$2,250
Summer Adventure	\$92,000	\$7,000
Launch Camp	\$79,000	\$9,600
Christmas Parties	\$72,000	\$5,500
TOTAL:	\$536,000.00	\$40,850.00

OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES

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

PROJECT - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Priddy Foundation	\$35,000
Amarillo Rotary Club	\$1,000
WFACF	\$10,000
Najim Foundation	\$40,000
TOTAL:	\$86,000.00

PROJECT - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Pantex Grant	\$5,000
TOTAL:	\$5,000.00

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

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
N/A	\$
TOTAL:	\$0.00

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
N/A	\$
TOTAL:	\$0.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

What percentage of your board contributes financially to the organization?

67%

How are board members expected to participate in your organization?

The board provides oversight for financial and program decisions. Because of their business insight, they are instrumental in guiding our financial endeavors.

LIST OF BOARD DIRECTORS

Name	Corporate Affiliation
Dwight Kemnitz	President
Buddy Patten	Vice President
Carroll Humphrey	Secretary