

FUNDING APPLICATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organization Information

Legal Name: Jewish Family Service of San Antonio, Texas Inc.		Federal Tax ID#: 74-1759254		501(c)(3) Public Charity 509 (a)(1)	
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				Zip Code: 78231	
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Head Of Organization

Name: Talli		Title: Dolge	
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Application Contact

Name: Talli Dolge	Title: Chief Executive Officer	E-Mail Address: dolget@jfs-sa.org	Phone: (210) 302-6953
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Previous Najim Funding

Year	Funding \$
N/A	\$0
Total	\$0

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

Yes
2009-2012

Grant Amount Requested \$:	Total Project Budget \$:	Organization's Annual budget \$:
\$50,000	\$208,346	\$1,490,115

Mission Statement:

We enhance the quality of life of individuals/families of all ages/faiths/backgrounds in San Antonio and the surrounding area through social, psychological, health and educational programs guided by the Jewish values of "repairing the world" and "taking responsibility for each other."

PROJECT INFORMATION

Program / Project Title:

To support mental health services for children on the South Side of San Antonio.

Harvey E. Najim Family Foundation Priorities:

Medical Needs

Program / Project Description:

In the past decade, there has been an increase in mental health issues in all populations, including children. Children are presenting more frequently in schools and other child care centers with behavioral challenges, anxiety, depression, and suicidal thoughts. In addition, children with autism and intellectual disabilities are requiring services for their unique needs. According to the 2016 Rivard Report, 80,000 children in Bexar County experience a behavioral or emotional disorder. Left untreated, 50% of these children will drop out of school, half of which will engage in drug or alcohol use that will further exacerbate their illness. This can result in long-term adverse consequences, including teen pregnancy, lack of educational attainment, underemployment, negative physical outcomes, and poverty.

There are limited services available for this young at-risk population. Only 20% of children who need treatment for a mental health issue actually receive it. Many barriers to accessible services exist, including stigma associated with mental health treatment, transportation issues, cost, lack of resources, long waiting times for appointments, or lack of knowledge on where to go. There are approximately 130,000 children living in poverty in Bexar County (US Census 2016) who also have limited resources for mental health care. With limited resources available, the burden of providing mental health care to children often falls on nonprofit agencies and the government. As government resources decrease, the nonprofit agencies are working hard to fill in the gap in child mental health care.

Twenty-five percent of the clients seen at JFS are under the age of 18. JFS' mental health program for children serves Bexar County children ages 3-17, as well as their families. All of our young clients are experiencing some type of mental and/or behavioral issues that impact their ability to participate fully in their families, school, or other activities. These issues could lead to negative educational, health, and personal outcomes if not treated. Parents are often lacking skills to cope with the frustration that arises from having a child with unique behavioral and emotional needs, which may contribute to the onset of neglectful or abusive behaviors in the home.

The JFS mental health treatment program has an overall goal of positively impacting the emotions, behaviors, psychological symptoms, and relationships of the children we serve. In counseling, each child is provided with a licensed therapist to assess problem areas. The therapist and family collaborate on the development of a treatment plan which consists of clear and measurable goals. These goals fall into two categories: 1. Children suffering from mental illness who attend counseling will within one year experience a reduction in symptoms of the illness by learning new behaviors; and, 2. Children dealing with behavioral or social stressors who attend counseling sessions will improve their level of daily functioning within six months by obtaining new skills, which will enable them to deal effectively with their issues. A variety of therapies are provided based on the child's needs, including play therapy, traditional "talk therapy", art and music therapy, family therapy, or any combination of these approaches. Children who require psychiatric evaluation and treatment are referred to a JFS psychiatrist who assesses the child and coordinates care with the treating therapist. Counseling sessions are either free or assigned a fee based on household size and income.

Funds will be used to hire one additional licensed counselor or social worker to supplement our current staff at JFS' Mission Road location on San Antonio's south side. This will allow JFS to expand its services to more children at the Mission Road location, where 90% of clients are classified as low-income. This includes salary support and ongoing training in the latest treatment options. Funds will also be used to obtain needed supplies to support the use of expressive therapies which allow children to learn how to articulate thoughts and feelings in ways in which verbal expression may be challenging; these supplies can include art supplies, musical instruments, sand tray accessories, and other toys for play therapy. JFS also plans to collaborate with other agencies on San Antonio's south side to enhance its services for children and families.

Evaluation Plan:

Children are evaluated based on established treatment plans and their progress towards meeting the goals in the treatment plan. Progress towards goal achievement is monitored at each therapy session. Progress can be evaluated using several different criteria, including self-report from the child and the family. Every child is also assessed by the therapist using the Children's GAF Scale, starting at the first session and repeated every three months. Treatment plan review with the child, the family, and the therapist occurs at regular intervals, allowing for the identification of successfully completed goals (either through symptom reduction/eradication or successful development of coping skills) and/or new problem areas. The ongoing evaluation of progress enables the counselor and family to assess whether the treatment is being effective. JFS anticipates that 80% of its clients will make positive progress towards their goals.

Plans to sustain project beyond the term of this request:

JFS contingency plans rely on a three-pronged approach, including changes in how JFS approaches treatment, replacing funds through agency fundraising mechanisms, and replacing funds through appeals to sources that are external to the agency.

Because we have strong, long-standing relationships with local universities that offer graduate training in mental health and social work we are able to recruit more graduate students as service providers (under supervision of professional staff) if we cannot sustain the size of professional staff.

JFS is also prepared to find gap funding through private foundations and governmental programs to assure that it can continue to provide services.

Children Impacted:

How many unduplicated children will the TOTAL PROJECT INITIATIVE impact?	How many unduplicated children will NFF REQUESTED FUNDS impact?
328	205

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)	19%	African American	1%
Children (6-13)	49%	Asian American	0%
Young Adults (14-18)	32%	Caucasian	8%
TOTAL:	100%	Hispanic/Latino	90%
		Native American	0%
		Other and Define	1%
		TOTAL:	100%

City Council District for Which Children are Being Served:

District2, District3, District4

Line item Budget:

Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Najim Funds Allocation
Salaries/Fringe	\$154,434	\$50,000
Contract Services (Payroll/Cleaning/Security)	\$3,962	\$0
In Kind (Interns)	\$12,600	\$0
Supplies	\$1,250	\$0
Telephone/Internet	\$4,800	\$0

Utilities	\$6,500	\$0
Repair & Maintenance	\$2,500	\$0
Copier Lease	\$800	\$0
Insurance	\$1,500	\$0
Educational Art & Play Therapy	\$10,000	\$0
Marketing & Outreach	\$10,000	\$0
TOTAL:	\$208,346	\$50,000

OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES

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

PROJECT - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Valero Energy Foundation	\$85,000
TOTAL:	\$85,000

PROJECT - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
United Way of SA	\$17,160
Victims of Crime Act	\$23,000
TOTAL:	\$40,160

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

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Shields Ayres Foundation	\$25,000
C&M Anderson Foundation	\$25,000
Alice Kleberg Reynolds	\$15,000
Methodist Health Ministries	\$256,000
TOTAL:	\$321,000

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
VOCA Funding	\$287,487
United Way	\$159,000
TOTAL:	\$446,487

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

What percentage of your board contributes financially to the organization?

100%

If Board giving is not at 100%, please explain why?

How are board members expected to participate in your organization?

Board members are expected to attend regular meetings, participate in fundraising activities by selling tickets or sponsorships, volunteer at events, financially give to the organization, participate in strategic planning, serve as ambassadors for JFS, and solicit private donations for the organization by leveraging their community connections.

LIST OF BOARD DIRECTORS

Name & Office Held	Corporate Affiliation
Steven Marks	Retired Administrator
Marion Bernstein	Gas Turbine Materials Associates
Mickey Gross	Retired
Michael Robbins	Attorney, Private Practice
M. Bernard Gardner	CPA Private Practice
Alberto Delcampo	Physician Liaison Superior Hospice Home Health
Carolyn (Carrie) L. Douglas	Strasberger & Price Attorney's at Law
Virginia Funk	SA Alzheimer's Association
Jerry Gerson	Retired
Mary Jo Leonard	Retired
Victoria Paparelli	Schnitzler Cardiovascular Consultants
Susan Rosenberg	UTSA, Dept. of Philosophy & Classics
David Scotch	CPA Private Practice
Marcia Schwartz	Community Volunteer
Sara Efune	USAA
Robert Pollock	Consultant
Arlene Spanier	Spanier Group, LLC

PROJECT TIMELINE

Start Date	End Date
12/01/2018	11/30/2019