

FUNDING APPLICATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organization Information

Legal Name: St. Peter-St. Joseph Children's Home		Federal Tax ID#: 74-1143129		501(c)(3) Public Charity	
Address: 919 Mission Road	City: San Antonio	State: Texas	Zip Code: 78210		
Website: www.stpjhome.org		Fax: (210) 533-1203		United Way Funded: Yes	

Head Of Organization

Name: Gladys Gonzalez	Title: Executive Director
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Application Contact

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Previous Najim Funding

Year	Funding \$
2017	\$60,000.00
2016	\$50,000.00
2015	\$60,000.00
2012	\$75,000.00
2011	\$65,000.00
2010	\$65,000.00
2009	\$137,353.00

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

Yes
We were declined in 2013 and 2014.

Grant Amount Requested \$:	Total Project Budget \$:	Organization's Annual budget \$:
\$100,000	\$403,915	\$12,212,537

Mission Statement:

To be a safe, loving refuge for children in crisis and accompany them on their journey to healing and wholeness, breaking the cycle of abuse one child at a time.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Program / Project Title:

To support operational expenses for the Trauma Recovery Program for abused and neglected children placed in the emergency shelter.

Harvey E. Najim Family Foundation Priorities:**Child Abuse & Child Neglect****Program / Project Description:**

St. Peter-St. Joseph Children's Home (affectionately known as St. PJ's) is an emergency shelter for children from birth to 17 years old. St. PJ's provides many services to children suffering from the trauma of serious abuse and neglect who have been removed from their families by Child Protective Services. Unique to our shelter is the ability to keep large sibling groups together, regardless of their age range or gender. Many foster homes require that the children fit into certain age ranges or are a particular gender. This stipulations result in brothers and sisters being separated from each other in their placements. When children suffer from abuse, they often rely on each other to keep each other safe and comfort each other when dysfunction has taken over. They are removed from their parents because a serious incident has occurred and the children are in immediate danger if they remain in their home. While the children are already facing the trauma of the incident, of being taken from the only home and family they know, the last thing that should happen is they are separated from each other, too, adding to their victimization. At St. PJ's, we are able to accommodate large sibling groups and even keep them in the same bedroom together as a family, reminding them that we are here to help them in every way we can.

The physical and mental well-being of a child as well as their safety are of the highest priority for our children. Child and adolescent victims of abuse often experience difficulty recovering from their trauma, re-stabilizing, learning effective coping skills, and returning to the joy of childhood. Without intervention and support at the earliest possible age, these children are at risk for substance abuse, mental health disorders, poor academic achievement, poor job skills, interpersonal problems, and higher rates of criminal involvement, suicide, domestic violence, re-victimization, and continue the cycle of abuse and neglect. Children placed at St. PJ's stay with us for an average of 45 days. During this time, staff works diligently to stabilize the child by showing them the respect and structure they need, which teaches them trust as well. They learn that they can depend on three hot, nutritious, home-cooked meals a day and snacks in between. They have their own beds to sleep on, hygiene products in order to bathe and brush, and clothes and shoes that they are able to pick out for themselves. In addition to taking care of their basic needs, St. PJ's ensures that each child meets with his or her on-site counselor a minimum of once a week. Counseling sessions are a vital component of the healing process and are instrumental in helping the children to learn coping skills, anger management and engage in play therapy. Our therapists specialize in treating children who have been victims of abuse and how to re-direct inappropriate behaviors. They are experts in various types of therapeutic practices such as art therapy, play therapy, Trauma Based Relational Intervention and group therapy. Each child that comes to St. PJ's has a Direct Care staff, Case Manager and a counselor who work directly with them and each other to understand their individual needs and develop a treatment plan with specific goals to work towards. The children are involved in normalcy activities, attend our on-site University of Texas Charter School, learn life skills, and participate in educational and recreational field trips. All the services that are provided for the children are done so through the skilled and specifically trained staff whose goal every day is to be a significant role model and influence in changing a child's life for the better. Without the direct care staff and counselors to care for our children, St. PJ's would not be able to make a difference in the lives of the children who so desperately need a chance in life.

Evaluation Plan:

When the children first arrive at St. PJ's, a CANS assessment is administered in order to have a better understanding of what the child's experiences have been. This assessment allows the counselor and direct care staff to have a baseline and develop a treatment plan specifically focused on the issues each child needs to address. The evaluation of the program is weighed based on the progress that the child makes towards their goals, a decrease in the number of incident reports written for a child, and a reduction in the the number of placements for children who have to be re-located to a higher level of care placement. The Clinical Director, Domestic Program Director and Direct Care staff meet regularly to review case notes and behavioral improvements or concerns to ensure each child is making progress or if there is a need for re-evaluation.

Plans to sustain project beyond the term of this request:

Funding to sustain our program will come from funders such as Valero Energy, Scanlan Foundation, Raskob Family Foundation, United Way, Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, community support and fundraising events.

Children Impacted:

How many unduplicated children will the TOTAL PROJECT INITIATIVE impact?	How many unduplicated children will NFF REQUESTED FUNDS impact?
300	300

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)	26%	African American	21%
Children (6-13)	48%	Asian American	0%
Young Adults (14-18)	26%	Caucasian	10%
TOTAL:	100%	Hispanic/Latino	69%
		Native American	0%
		Other and Define	0%
		TOTAL:	100%

City Council District for Which Children are Being Served:

District1, District2, District3, District4, District5, District6, District7, District8, District9, District10

Line item Budget:

Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Najim Funds Allocation
Therapists Salary and Benefits	\$353,915	\$75,000
Supplies - Direct Care	\$50,000	\$25,000
TOTAL:	\$403,915.00	\$100,000.00

OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES

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

PROJECT - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
San Antonio Area Foundation	\$25,000
Mays Family Foundation	\$100,000
TOTAL:	\$125,000.00

PROJECT - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
Scanlan	\$20,000
Raskob	\$25,000
Valero	\$50,000
TOTAL:	\$95,000.00

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

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - PENDING

Funder Name	Amount Requested
VOCA	\$967,379
Anderson	\$15,000
TOTAL:	\$982,379.00

ALL OTHER ORGANIZATION REQUESTS - COMMITTED

Funder Name	Amount Requested
TDFPS	\$500,000
Archbishop's Appeal	\$230,000
United Way	\$200,000
TOTAL:	\$930,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

What percentage of your board contributes financially to the organization?

85%

How are board members expected to participate in your organization?

Board members are involved in providing information on potential grant funding, fundraising ideas, and introducing companies and friends to St. PJ's through personal contact. The Board of Governors are responsible for developing policies and programs for St. PJ's that respond to the needs of the community, subject to financial support and other available resources. The Board is responsible for the evaluation of services provided by St. PJ's, as well assessing the standards of quality and relevancy of those services to the changing needs of the children of our community.

LIST OF BOARD DIRECTORS

Name	Corporate Affiliation
Claude Koontz	Portfolio Manager at Capital Advisors
Christina Markell-Belleza	Executive VP & General Counsel at South Texas Money Management
Sam Shannon	Executive Director of Ernst & Young
Rick Evans	Founding Owner of Evans, Rowe & Holbrook
Jerry Arredondo	President of Arredondo Interests
Jennifer Duplantis	Operations Leader at HEB
J. Antonio Fernandez	CEO/President of Catholic Charities/Archdiocese Representative
Lauren Geraghty	Director of Strategic Impact Initiatives at Communities in School
Brian Harkiewicz	Partner/Architect at Marmon Mok Achitecture
Dr. Julie La Barba	Medical Director/Chef of the Culinary Health Education for Families at The Children's Hospital of San Antonio
Father Christopher Munoz	Priest at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church and School
Ralph Oviedo	Senior Clinical Specialist at Medtronics, Inc.
Whitney Pigg	VP of Private Banking at Jefferson Bank
Louie Rodriguez	Project Manager at Project Control

Rose Mary Slagle	Treasury Management Sales Analyst at Plains Capital Bank
Yvonne Weber	President of Wildwood Management Group
Guy Young	Senior VP of Process Safety, Reliability & Industrial Gases at Valero Energy