

# FUNDING APPLICATION

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Organization Information

<b>Legal Name:</b> SA Life Academy	<b>Federal Tax ID#:</b> 20-5613727	<b>Are you a 501(3)(c) charity?</b> Yes	
<b>Address:</b> 722 Robinhood Place	<b>City:</b> San Antonio	<b>State:</b> Texas	<b>Zip Code:</b> 78209
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### Head Of Organization

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### Application Contact

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Previous funding received from The Gordon Hartman Family Foundation		
Year	Funding \$	
2019	\$10,000	
2020	\$10,000	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	
<b>Has the organization applied to the Gordon Hartman Family Foundation in the past and been declined?</b> Yes In 2018, SA Life Academy submitted a Letter of Inquiry requesting \$17,000 for our Art and Music Therapy Program which was declined.		
<b>Grant Amount Requested \$:</b>	<b>Total Project Budget \$:</b>	<b>Organization's Annual budget \$:</b>
\$15,000	\$90,380	\$590,000
<b>Mission Statement:</b> The mission of SA Life Academy (SALA) is to provide exceptional continuing learning opportunities to help individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) live full and active lives.		
<b>PROJECT INFORMATION</b>		
<b>Program / Project Title:</b> SA Life Academy's 2021 Program Expansion		
<b>PROJECT TIMELINE</b>		
<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>	
09/01/2021	09/30/2022	
<b>Program / Project Description:</b> SALA is respectfully requesting \$15,000 that will cover 16% of the costs associated with our program expansion. Specifically, the funding will support activity and program expenses that will enable SALA to serve 24 additional adults with IDD and their families. The ability to bring about a positive transformation in the lives of 40% more caregivers and their adults with special needs is priceless and in line with the Foundation mission.  The goals of our program expansion are threefold. Firstly, we aim to advance the daily living skills of adults through beneficial programming such as Cooking, Grocery Shopping, and Social Skills. According to Autism Speaks, sharpening these skills is essential to increasing independence at home and in the community. Secondly, we strive to boost the self-confidence of adults by providing a stimulating and nurturing environment that promotes healthy friendships. The Journal of Developmental and Physical Disabilities found that friendships predict improved outcomes in the lives of adults with IDD. Thus, promoting their development, maintenance, and growth is critical. Thirdly, we want caregivers to have confidence in the SALA program and peace of mind knowing their adults are thriving while doing life with friends.  Anticipated results include 95% of families and caregivers reporting an improvement in their adults daily living skills and self-confidence. We also expect that 90% of families responding to our biannual caregiver survey will communicate their satisfaction with the SALA program. These positive transformations will occur with the generous support of the Gordon Hartman Family Foundation.		
<b>Evaluation Plan:</b>		

SALA will evaluate our program utilizing both qualitative and quantitative methods. For example, advancement in our adults daily living skills will be measured through quarterly program metrics. Every three months, Program Directors notate the percentage of adults who can perform daily living skills without prompts. This knowledge equips our teachers with the ability to provide optimal and tailored support to our adults as they work towards their life goals.

SALA also gathers input from families through a biannual caregiver satisfaction survey. The survey, which is distributed in July and December, captures critical feedback from caregivers. For example, parents are asked about improvements in their adults daily living skills and self-confidence. If families respond that their adult is in fact making strides in these areas, we ask for specific examples. Understanding how our programming positively impacts the lives of our adults and their families helps us to evaluate program effectiveness. Maintaining a high-quality program that meets the holistic needs of our adults is a top priority as we expand.

#### **Plans to sustain project beyond the term of this request:**

SALA plans to sustain this project beyond the term of this request through the execution of a strategic development plan that includes applying for additional grant funding, holding our annual gala, and participating in key fundraisers such as the Big Give. As this is the fourth class that SALA will implement since our inception in 2016, we are confident in our fundraising plan which was designed by our Associate Director who is a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE).

#### **Line item Budget:**

<b>Line Item Description</b>	<b>Total Project Funds Allocation</b>	<b>Gordon Hartman Funds Allocation</b>
Activity and Program Costs	\$12,000	\$12,000
Additional Rent for New 750 Square Foot Program Space	\$3,600	\$3,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$15,600</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **LIST OF BOARD DIRECTORS**

<b>Name &amp; Office Held</b>	<b>Corporate Affiliation</b>
Kristine Clark, Board Chair	Sanofi US
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