

FUNDING APPLICATION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Organization Information

Legal Name: SA Life Academy	Federal Tax ID#: 20-5613727	Are you a 501(3)(c) charity? Yes	
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Head Of Organization

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Previous funding received from The Gordon Hartman Family Foundation		
Year	Funding \$	
2019	\$10,000	
2020	\$10,000	
2021	\$10,000	
2022	\$10,000	
2023	\$10,000	
Total	\$50,000	

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

Yes
2018

Grant Amount Requested \$:	Total Project Budget \$:	Organization's Annual budget \$:
\$15,000	\$1,038,000	\$865,000

Mission Statement:

The mission of SA Life Academy is to provide exceptional continuing learning opportunities to help individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) live full and active lives.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Program / Project Title:

Year-Round Community Based Instruction for Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

PROJECT TIMELINE

Start Date	End Date
01/01/2024	12/31/2024

Program / Project Description:

SA Life Academy (SALA) is requesting funding for year-round programming benefiting 112 adults residing in 33 unique zip codes with an intellectual or developmental disability. Our stimulating curriculum improves the quality of life for adults with IDD by helping them to be healthy and productive members of the communities in which they live. This is accomplished through a wide array of stimulating activities that promote relationship building, social, life and vocational skills development, wellness, expressive creativity, and community integration. Through these activities, adults are equipped with tools to lead a meaningful and purposeful life.

SALA programming is evidence-based and designed by certified Special Education teachers to meet student's holistic needs. In addition, we emphasize community-based instruction as it helps adults apply the skills learned at SALA in a more natural setting. SALA's programming is also highly active as we serve adults who are higher functioning and can smoothly transition from one activity to the next. SALA also offers elective-based courses such as "Getting to Know Chromebooks" and "Saving Money." In doing so, we empower adults with the ability to discover their interests and gain independence.

SALA has three key objectives for our programs. Firstly, we want to foster creative problem solving, feelings of inclusion, and sensory stimulation through program activities. Secondly, we strive to equip adults with the tools and opportunities to learn that boost senses of accomplishment and encouragement to realize their potential. Thirdly, we want caregivers to have confidence in the program where their adult participates.

Evaluation Plan:

Objective #1: We want to foster creative problem solving, feelings of inclusion, responsibility, and sensory stimulation through program activities.

Evaluation Method: Success will be achieved if 85% of SALA caregivers report that their adults are successfully incorporating life skills learned at SALA into their daily lives as part of the biannual caregiver survey.

Objective #2: We strive to equip adults with the tools and opportunities to learn that boost senses of accomplishment and encouragement to realize their potential.

Evaluation Method: Success will be achieved if 90% of SALA caregivers report that their adult feels valued and is gaining self-confidence as a result of the advancement of life and social skills through participation in SALA programming. This will be measured by the students' abilities to break down tasks with minimal prompts while performing community outreach activities. Factors taken into consideration include communication skills, attitude, problem solving, critical thinking, and professionalism.

Objective #3: We want caregivers to have confidence in the program where their adult participates.

Evaluation Method: Success in achieving this objective includes 90% of caregivers reporting that their adult is realizing their potential in a stimulating environment. This will be measured through evaluating the results of a biannual caregiver satisfaction survey.

Plans to sustain project beyond the term of this request:

SALA plans to sustain the project beyond the term of the request through a strategic development plan that includes grant writing, corporate gifts, donor appeals, and our annual gala. Year-after-year, we have been able to achieve our fundraising goals and continue growing our program to meet a great community need.

Line item Budget:

Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Gordon Hartman Funds Allocation
Teacher Salaries	\$604,500	\$5,000
Payroll Taxes and Benefits	\$68,864	\$0
Advertising and Promotion	\$4,000	\$0
Conferences and Meetings	\$500	\$0
Contract Labor	\$51,940	\$10,000
Depreciation	\$36,000	\$0
Dues and Subscriptions	\$6,864	\$0
Fundraising Expense	\$95,000	\$0
Information Technology	\$5,000	\$0
Insurance	\$41,457	\$0
Interest	\$3,000	\$0
Meals and Entertainment	\$5,000	\$0
Miscellaneous	\$5,000	\$0
Occupancy	\$30,000	\$0
Office Expense	\$10,000	\$0
Postage and Shipping	\$1,000	\$0
Printing and Publications	\$5,000	\$0
Professional Services	\$22,875	\$0
Repairs and Maintenance	\$3,000	\$0
Travel	\$4,000	\$0

Vehicle Expense	\$25,000	\$0
Continuing Education	\$10,000	\$0
TOTAL:	\$1,038,000	\$15,000

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