



State of South Carolina Request for Contribution Distribution

This form is designed to collect the information required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act of 2022 and Executive Order 2022-19. This form must be submitted to the state agency that is providing the contribution for the designated organization. The state agency providing the contribution should use this form to collect information from the designated organization. The information must be collected from the designated organization before the funds can be disbursed.

Contribution Information	
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution
\$250,000	J020 - Department of Health and Human Services
	See below

Organization Information	
Entity Name	Sight Savers America
Address	337 Business Circle
City/State/Zip	Pelham, AL 35124
Website	www.sightsaversamerica.org
Tax ID#	30-0188234
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization

Organization Contact Information	
Contact Name	Jeff L. Haddox
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Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:		
Description	Budget	Explanation
School year screening & follow-up planning	\$12,000.00	Coordinate/finalize logistics of screening & follow-up
Expansion & maintenance of eye care partner network	\$5,000.00	Recruit eye care professionals who provide free & discounted services
Partnership building and scheduling with Head Starts, preschools & daycares	\$26,000.00	Build relationships with screening sites & recruit new screening sites
Vision screening equipment/supplies, technology/database for screening & follow-up	\$9,000.00	Repair vision screening devices, other needed supplies & technology needs
Salaries for vision screeners	\$70,000.00	Hire & train vision screeners who will screen 10,000-12,000 children
Travel for vision screeners	\$15,000.00	Mileage, food & lodging (when necessary) for vision screeners
Screening & follow-up data analysis, importation of referrals & reporting	\$10,000.00	Analyze screening results of 10-12k children, import referrals (1-2k children)
Comprehensive one-on-one case management	\$90,000.00	Follow-up, educate & coordinate eye care services for all children referred
Eye care treatments and high-tech vision aids (not covered by insurance or in-kind)	\$13,000.00	Provide extensive care for serious issues (surgery, patching, low vision, etc.)
Grand Total		\$250,000.00

Please explain how these funds will be used to provide a public benefit:

Eighty percent of what a child learns is processed visually. Vision disorders are the most prevalent and treatable condition in children and as many as one in four children has a vision problem. For some diseases/conditions, such as amblyopia, early intervention is vital or vision can be permanently lost in the affected eye. Addressing vision problems during the preschool years can help a child's reading scores increase, his/her classroom performance improve and results in a better overall quality of life. There is a great public benefit to correcting children's vision problems before they enter kindergarten and providing them with the vision tools needed to succeed throughout their academic careers. Through its vision screening and follow-up eye care programs, Sight Savers America and screening partner, Focus First, address these problems early on. Sight Savers America and Focus First will conduct vision screenings in South Carolina preschools, Pre-Ks, Head Starts, and daycares in a rapid non-invasive manner, accurately capturing full refraction data and screening for amblyopia risk factors. Out of the 10,000-12,000 screened, approximately 1,000-1,200 children will fail and need an eye exam. Sight Savers America's Follow-up Eye Care Program case manages eye care for children referred, from start to finish. Case managers speak with parents individually about their child's eye care needs, educating them on the importance of eye health. Through this program, children will receive comprehensive dilated eye exams, eyeglasses, medications, surgeries, low vision & blind services, high-tech low vision aids, blind aids, other treatments and individual case management support. From initial eye exam to subsequent eye care appointments, Sight Savers America establishes an eye care home for recurrent care during a child's formative years.

Organization Certifications

- 1) Organization hereby gives assurance that no person shall, upon the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which this organization is responsible.
- 2) Organization certifies that it will provide quarterly spending reports to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 3) Organization certifies that it will provide an accounting at the end of the fiscal year to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 4) Organization certifies that it will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.

Jeff L. Haddox

Organization Signature

CEO/President

Title

Jeff L. Haddox

Printed Name

8/4/2023

Date

Certifications of State Agency Providing Contribution

- 1) State Agency certifies that the planned expenditure aligns with the Agency's mission and/or the purpose specified in the appropriations act of 2022.
- 2) State Agency certifies that the Organization has set forth a public purpose to be served through receipt of the expenditure.
- 3) State Agency certifies that it will make distributions directly to the organization.
- 4) State Agency certifies that it will provide the quarterly spending reports and accounting received from the organization to the Senate Finance Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office by June 30, 2023.
- 5) State Agency certifies that it will publish on their website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act of 2022.
- 6) State Agency will certify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2023.

Agency Head Signature

Date

Jenny Stirling to - Dir. Kerr

Printed Name

8/8/2023