

# Putting Our Kids First Summer Scholarships for Children with Special Needs Informational Session

Monday, March 18, 2024 | 3:00 p.m.

### **KEY QUESTIONS**

- 1. Why are we making this funds available?
- 2. Do I qualify?
- 3. What are the specifics? What will I need to apply?
- 4. Where do I apply?
- 5. How do I submit questions?



#### WHY CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS?

- An estimated 1 in 4 children in Leon County has special needs or disabilities
- Summer camp experiences for this group of children offer a unique opportunity for growth, development, inclusion, and fun.
- Specialty summer camps also provide much-needed respite for families and caregivers of children with special needs.
- Despite the benefits, many children with special needs in Leon Couty do not have access to these camp experiences due to limited availability or cost-prohibitive expense.



#### DO I QUALIFY?

Entities that want to apply for this funding opportunity must meet the following minimum eligibility criteria:

- Must be registered in <u>Sunbiz</u>
- Must be a 501(c)(3) <u>nonprofit</u> as determined by the IRS
- Must operate a summer program where the <u>majority of children</u> served have special needs
- Ensure scholarship recipients are <u>Leon County residents</u>
- AND
- Complete a <u>detailed application</u>.



#### WHAT ARE THE SPECIFICS?

- Short-term: (May 1 August 30)
- Mini-funding (Not full funding): up to \$75,000 per applicant
- Exclusively to provide an eligible child with financial support (scholarship) to attend camp for up to two weeks during the 2024 summer
  - A: GAP Funding Only
  - B: GAP and ALL Fees



#### WHAT WILL I NEED TO APPLY?

- 1. Sunbiz Registration
- 2. IRS Determination Letter
- 3. Insurance\*\*
- 4. A copy of your current organizational budget
- 5. A detailed summer budget
- 6. An organizational chart
- 7. A completed application with a well thought out program proposal, timeline and budget for your funding request



## WHERE DO I APPLY?

https://cscleon.org/announcements/



# Questions?



