

GULF COUNTY RESTORE ACT PROJECT PRE-PROPOSAL FORM

Project Name: The Bridge Learning Center

Submitting Entity: The Bridge at Bay St. Joe

I. Please select one or more eligible activity that the project is classified under:

- Restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast region.
- Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife and natural resources.
- Implementation of a federally approved marine, coastal or comprehensive conservation management plan, including fisheries monitoring.
- Workforce development and job creation.
- Improvements to or on State parks located in coastal areas affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.
- Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure.
- Coastal flood protection and related infrastructure.
- Planning assistance.
- Promotion of tourism and seafood in the Gulf Coast region.

II. Please provide an executive summary of the project. Describe/quantify the economic (jobs, infrastructure, tourism, etc.) and environmental benefits (habitat, quality, knowledge, long-term sustainability, etc.).

Creating many Gulf County jobs through construction of a free standing adult educational building with state of the art computers for training of entry level health care i.e. clinical, social services, maintenance, housekeeping, dietary in an effort to meet the need for a market that has expanded through shifting of healthcare policy. The learning center will also provide a means of educating the healthcare community, families and the public community concerning the Dementia/Alzheimer's/Behavioral geriatric population and personal health wellness . In addition, to gain more awareness of the attention needed to provide a high standard of care for this population using our "Serenity" model and current research based material provided by Serenity Healthcare's research and development team. The learning center would also be available to provide the means to further the education of future and current healthcare professionals within the community, our facility, and the surrounding area through a large database of online CEUs provided by our parent company Signature Healthcare.

III. Please provide a cost summary/budget. Detail any matching/cooperative funds available for use, and any cooperative support from governmental or other agencies.

The building will be approximately 1400 sq ft. @ \$110 sq ft. built to all codes and ADA accessibility. Roughly \$150,000. Estimates only and sq ft can be adjusted for cost. Once the building is in place the Bridge will provide at their own expense training and professional development at \$15,000 annually and any future costs. No other support from any outside agency other than the Bridge as listed above.

IV. Please provide a timeline for project completion. Explain the technical and environmental feasibility (including any permitting considerations) of the project.

Project site is planned to be on the property of a REIT company. Approval must be attained from this company in order to build.

V. Please provide the qualifications of the Submitting Entity, the financial feasibility/sustainability and the economic feasibility and sustainability of the project (probability of success, etc.).

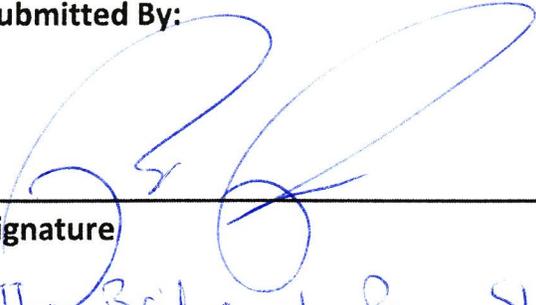
The Bridge at Bay St. Joe is 120 bed skilled nursing facility with over 150 employees. We operate a multimillion dollar operation primarily dealing with Medicare/Medicaid insurance which are held to the highest regulatory practices. Operations are broken into several different departments with each one having a director. These directors are Adult Learning Certified which means they use learning theories to teach systems to their departments and/or peers. Directors (social services, human resources, maintenance, housekeeping, dietary, nursing aide, entry level accounting, etc) will be able to teach skill sets respective to their departments that can be used in the workforce for entry level positions and to the expanding market due to changes in healthcare. In addition, we have a database of online CEUs that are updated and stay current for most healthcare care professions that we will be able to share with other healthcare professionals needing to keep licenses current. We will also be a hub for educational resource materials and conduct group sessions related to healthy living and disease related disorders.

VI. Please provide the anticipated results of the project, and whether it is included in a City of Port St. Joe, City of Wewahitchka or Gulf County Comprehensive and Mitigation Plan?

Will generate more jobs in Gulf County which will serve a market that is in the surrounding counties. First year to create 25-30 jobs. Second year and subsequent 15-20 jobs yearly.

- Allow present health care workers to upgrade in professional scales and increased wage earning through continuing training and access to free CEU's provided through the Bridge and their professional development teams.
- Allow workers to gain access to state of the art training and information via computers and professional staff of the Bridge at BSJ without the necessity of travel outside of the county and to become computer literate, which will translate to higher employment. The trainees will also be provided with shadowing opportunities and on the job training at no cost in conjunction.
- Create new business opportunities by training much needed Homecare/ Companions which would combine health and housekeeping services to allow someone to remain in their home as opposed to being admitted to hospital care. This will provide employment for those so trained.
- New employment opportunities exist now for trained workers at many levels in Gulf County. Due to lack of training or certification, the untrained workers are unable to ³access jobs. They would immediately have employment.
- Construction of the building will provide Gulf County workers employment.

Submitted By:



Signature

1/14/13
Date

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GULF COUNTY RESTORE ACT APPLICANTS**

I, Ron E Reid the undersigned authority and/or representative of the entity The Bridge at Bay St Joe and or the individual who has submitted the Gulf County RESTORE Act Proposal/Pre-Proposal titled The Bridge Learning Center hereby acknowledge, consent and accept the following representations that coincide with my/our submission for consideration, evaluation and possible recommendation and approval by the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners for funding from the RESTORE Act distribution that strictly complies with the guidelines and regulations set forth under the Restoration and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012:

1. I/We am the authorized representative of the application/pre-proposal referenced above.
2. I/We have thoroughly reviewed and familiarized myself and/or my entity on which I have submitted the application/pre-proposal on behalf of with the entirety of the Gulf County Public Records policy.
3. I/We have thoroughly reviewed and familiarized myself and/or my entity on which I have submitted the application/pre-proposal on behalf of with the entirety of the Florida Statute Chapter 119 which controls and permits public access to information.
4. I/We hereby acknowledge, consent and agree to the controlling policies and statutes above as well as the free and open exchange of any and all submissions provided hereunder this application/pre-proposal and all information exchanged hereafter including but not limited to further amendments to these proposals as well as surveys, studies, research, data production, books, drawings, property records, work papers, county owner lists, files, forms, reports, accounts, documents, manuals, handbooks, instructions, printouts relating in any manner for the production of the application. In addition, all papers, notes, data, reference material, documentation, programs, printouts, and all other media and forms of expression that in any way include, incorporate or reflect any confidential information of what ultimately shall become the Gulf County plans for use and application of the RESTORE Act funding.
5. I/We acknowledge, agree and fully consent to cooperate with the appointed Gulf County RESTORE ACT committee, county officials and staff as a continuing obligation and condition of final review for this RESTORE Act application/pre-proposal.
6. I/We have submitted this acknowledgment to Gulf County RESTORE Act Committee and the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners for the purpose and intent of receiving an evaluation, review and possible recommendations for anticipated funding from the Restoration and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012.

Signature of RESTORE Act Applicant

Ron E Reid
Printed Name

Date: 1/16/13