

**The White Family Foundation**  
**Grant Request #794**  
**Sewing Hope, Inc.**  
**March 8, 2023**

<b>Date of grant proposal submission</b>	Wednesday, March 8, 2023
<b>Are you an IRS compliant 501(c)3 public charity/nonprofit?</b>	Yes
<b>Legal name of organization</b>	Sewing Hope, Inc.
<b>DBA Name if Applicable</b>	n/a
<b>Address</b>	20000 US Hwy 19 North #815 Clearwater United States
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://sewinghope.org">http://sewinghope.org</a>
<b>Telephone</b>	727-461-2211
<b>Fax</b>	727-461-4592
<b>Organization Director/ Title</b>	Beverly Easterling/President
<b>Contact Person/Title</b>	Beverly Easterling/President
<b>Contact Person's Telephone</b>	727-461-2211
<b>Contact Person's Email</b>	<a href="mailto:sewinghope@gmail.com">sewinghope@gmail.com</a>
<b>Grant Request Amount</b>	\$4,000.00

**Please provide us with a brief description of your organization (no more than 500 words).**

We make polar fleece blankets for children in Foster Care. These blankets mean so much to these children as they are theirs to keep; whereas clothing, shoes wear wear out and are replaced or passed on to other children.

We use colorful Polar Fleece that the children love.

We all work as volunteers so there are no salaries to be paid.

Florida Family Services (Christina Needham) picks up the blankets and tells stories how much the children like them.

**Grant Purpose (one paragraph)**

All this money will go to purchase blanket material that will be cut up and edged with a serger.

**Annual Project/Program Budget (if request is for a specific project)**

\$4,000.00

**Annual Organization Budget**

\$10,000.00

# *Sewing* Hope Inc.

Teaching others with His Love

March 25, 2023

Ruth Banther SHRM-CP, BA  
Grant Coordinator  
The White Family Foundation  
PO Box 2491  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34688

Enclosed is the application from Sewing Hope for a grant to be given out next year.

Your Foundation has given grants to help Foster Children in the past. We have met our goals for each year.

Thank you for allowing us the present this grant.

Sincerely,



Beverly Easterling  
President of Sewing Hope, Inc.

**Sewing Hope, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation**

**20000 US Hwy 19 N #815 Clearwater FL 33764 727-461-2211 [sewinghope@gmail.com](mailto:sewinghope@gmail.com)**

# **The White Family Foundation**

## **Grant Cover Sheet**

**Contact Person:** Beverly Easterling  
20000 US Hwy 19 North  
#815  
Clearwater, FL 33764  
727-461-2211

### **Case Statement**

**Problems that we solve.**

**Measuring Success of the Project**

**Needs from The White Family Foundation**

**Financial Statements**

**Board of Directors**

**Additional Information**

**Documents showing our 510(c)3 license.**



## **CASE STATEMENT**

We are Sewing Hope, Inc., we make blankets to be given to Foster Children. We make these blankets out of soft, colorful polar fleece that are attractive to Foster Children. The blankets are special to each child as it is theirs to keep. Unlike clothing and shoes that wear out or get too small and will need to be replaced. Each child is surprised that the blanket that is given to them is to stay with them. We purchase the fabric by the yard and cut it into 1-yard pieces and serge around the edges so that it looks professional and tells them someone cares about them. Joann fabrics is good at giving us the fabric when they have special sales. That has been between \$3.00 & \$4.00 so \$4000.00 will give us enough fabric to make 1,000 blankets if the fabric is \$4.00 a yard. Many people are impacted by the blankets that these children receive: Biological Parents, Foster Parents, Case workers, Sheriff department employees, the Sheriff of Pinellas & Pasco counties.

## **PROBLEMS TO SOLVE**

The Foster Children are made a part of the state because of stupid choices that their parents make. Each blanket is prayed for by the ladies that make them and our church. We want to show them that we love them and have made a blanket for them. There are 1500 Foster Children in Pinellas County & 900 Foster Children in Pasco counties. New ones are added and some age out.

## **HOW WE MEASURE PROJECT SUCCESS**

Christina Needham of Florida Family Services comes to pick up the blankets and tells us stories of how well the blankets are being received. I started making blankets for Foster Children back in January 2010. The sheriffs of Pinellas and Pasco counties acknowledged that the blankets were given to each child. This year the Sheriffs requested that the blankets be made available to put into case worker's cars so could be given to the child when they were removed from the home. That was my original dream when this blanket project came into being in 2010, now it is a reality. Last month we made 91 blankets.

## **NEEDS FROM THE WHITE FAMILY FOUNDATION**

We are asking for a \$4,000.00 grant so we can continue to make blankets to give to Foster Children within the Pinellas & Pasco counties.

### **Staff**

We all work as volunteers and Trinity Presbyterian church gives us the space that we work in. The sergers have been paid for by previous Grants and Donations.

All proceeds from this grant will be going to funding the purchase of blankets for Foster Children.

### **Sewing Hope, Inc. Board of Directors**

President	Beverly Easterling
Treasurer	Sara Ciccotelli
Director	Robin Powell

Sara Ciccotelli & I have been part of the organizing team, we plus others helped write the application for our 501(c)3 license.

Robin Powell joined after Sewing Hope was moved to Trinity.

**Balance Sheet**  
**Sewing Hope, Inc. 501(c)3**  
**December 31, 2022**

<b>ASSETS</b>	Cash	\$1,195.00
	Serger Machines	\$5,175.00
	Sewing Machines	\$6,294.00
	Fabric Processing Equipment	\$2,895.00
	Fabric Storage Equipment	\$1,555.00
	Fabric Inventory	\$5,200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$22,314.00</b>
<b>LIABILITUES</b>	Current Liabilities	0
	Long Term Liabilities	0
<b>PERMANENT</b>	Cash Donations	\$3,510.00
	Grants & Donations	\$9,803.00
	Donations Made	\$9,201.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$22,314.00</b>



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SEWING HOPE INC  
% BEVERLY EASTERLING  
20000 US HIGHWAY 19 N LOT 815  
CLEARWATER FL 33764-5081

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Dear Taxpayer:

We have submitted your Form 990-N, Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) for Tax-Exempt Organizations not required to file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, on Apr. 30, 2021.

The Internal Revenue Service has accepted your return.

If you need any forms, schedules, or publications mentioned in this letter, you can get them by visiting our website at [www.irs.gov/forms-pubs](http://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs) or by calling toll-free at 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676).

If you have questions, call 877-829-5500.

If you prefer, you can write to the address at the top of the first page of this letter.

When you write, include a copy of this letter, and provide your telephone number and the hours we can reach you in the spaces below.

Telephone number ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Hours \_\_\_\_\_

Keep a copy of this letter for your records.

Thank you for your cooperation.



INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
P. O. BOX 2508  
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **OCT 21 2009**

SEWING HOPE INC.  
P.O. BOX 4738  
CLEARWATER, FL 33758-4738

Employer Identification Number:  
26-4260096  
DLN:  
209293016  
Contact Person: MARK I. TOMBACK ID# 95020  
Contact Telephone Number:  
(877) 829-5500  
Accounting Period Ending:  
December 31  
Public Charity Status:  
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)  
Form 990 Required:  
Yes  
Effective Date of Exemption:  
February 25, 2009  
Contribution Deductibility:  
Yes  
Addendum Applies:  
No

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a public charity under the Code section(s) listed in the heading of this letter.

Please see enclosed Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

Letter 947 (DO/CG)



Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services  
Division of Consumer Services

**SOLICITATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS SMALL CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS/SPONSORS APPLICATION**

WILTON SIMPSON  
COMMISSIONER

Solicitation of Contributions Act  
Chapter 496, Florida Statutes  
Rule 5J-7.004, Florida Administrative Code

1-800-HELP-FLA (435-7352) • (850) 410-3800

Return completed application to:

charities@FDACS.gov

or

FDACS  
Solicitation of Contributions  
2005 Apalachee Parkway  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-6500

**IMPORTANT:** This form is only permitted for use by organizations/sponsors that have less than \$50,000 in total revenue (including contributions); have no paid volunteers, officers or members; and do not utilize a professional fundraising consultant, solicitor or commercial co-venturer. If the organization does not meet all of above criteria, the Solicitation of Contributions Registration Application (FDACS-10100) must be submitted. The form is accessible online at [www.FDACS.gov](http://www.FDACS.gov). Online registration is also available for your convenience. All documents and attachments submitted with this application may be subject to public review pursuant to chapter 119, Florida Statutes (F.S.).

Select one:  New Application  Renewal CH# \_\_\_\_\_ DTN# \_\_\_\_\_ (listed on the renewal application)

**TO APPLY** fill out this form completely (PRINT OR TYPE) and return it with all attachments.

Legal Name of Organization: <i>SEWING HOPE INC</i>	Fictitious Name/Other Name Soliciting As:
Physical Address: <i>20000 US HWY 19 N #815</i>	Mailing Address (if different):
City, State, Zip, County: <i>CLEAR WATER FL 33764</i>	City, State, Zip, County:
Telephone: <i>(727) 461-2211</i>	Website: <i>SEWINGHOPE.ORG</i>

Email Address (required):  
*SEWINGHOPE@gmail.com*

1. Select One:  Corporation  LLC  Partnership  Sole Proprietorship

Date legally established: 2009 State: FL

2. Federal Employer ID Number: 26-4260096

3. Month/Day fiscal year ends: Dec 131

4. Has the organization been granted tax exempt status by the Internal Revenue Service?  
 Yes 501(c) \_\_\_\_\_  No  Pending

5. Select the financial statement you are filing for the immediately preceding fiscal year: (must be attached)  
 IRS form 990 and all attached schedules  990-EZ and Schedule O  Budget (new organizations only)  
 FDACS-10122 Solicitation of Contributions Annual Financial Reporting Form (available online at [www.FDACS.gov](http://www.FDACS.gov))

6. Charitable purpose for which the charitable organization is organized? (Briefly and concisely explain the purpose for which your organization was created, i.e., the organization's mission. It is best to summarize this information in your own words.) [s. 496.406(2)(a), F.S.]  
*Making blankets for Foster Children*

7. What is the purpose for which the contributions to be solicited will be used? (Please attach additional pages if necessary.) [s. 496.406(2)(a), F.S.]  
*to purchase fabric for the blankets given to Foster Children.*

**8. List all names, address, and telephone numbers of the individuals or officers who have responsibility for the final distribution of contributions:** Exemptions from public records apply to certain individuals. For a complete list of exemptions, see chapter 119, F.S. If you qualify for one of these exemptions, please list the organization's address and phone number in lieu of home address and phone number.  
**Note:** A charitable organization or sponsor, or an officer, director, trustee, or employee thereof, may not knowingly allow an officer, director, trustee, or employee of the charitable organization or sponsor to solicit contributions on behalf of such charitable organization or sponsor if such officer, director, trustee, or employee has, in any state, regardless of adjudication been convicted of, or been found guilty of or pled guilty or nolo contendere to, or has been incarcerated within the last 10 years as a result of having previously been convicted of, or been found guilty of, or pled guilty or nolo contendere to, any felony within the last 10 years or any crime within the last 10 years involving fraud, theft, larceny, embezzlement, fraudulent conversion, misappropriation of property, or any crime arising from the conduct of a solicitation for a charitable organization or sponsor, or has been enjoined in any state from violating any law relating to a charitable solicitation. The aforementioned prohibitions also apply to a misdemeanor in another state which constitutes a disqualifying felony in this state. If you answered YES to the criminal history question, you must provide a copy of the court disposition and submit an explanation of the charge for review. (Attach additional sheets as necessary using the same format.)

Name: BEVERLY EASTERLING	Name: <del>/</del>
Title: PRESIDENT SEWING HOPE INC	Title: <del>/</del>
Street Address: 20000 US Hwy 19 N #815	Street Address: <del>/</del>
City: CLEARWATER FL	City: <del>/</del>
State: FL	State: <del>/</del>
Zip: 33764	Zip: <del>/</del>
Telephone Number: 727-461-2211	Telephone Number: <del>/</del>
Compensated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Compensated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Name: <del>/</del>	Name: <del>/</del>
Title: <del>/</del>	Title: <del>/</del>
Street Address: <del>/</del>	Street Address: <del>/</del>
City: <del>/</del>	City: <del>/</del>
State: <del>/</del>	State: <del>/</del>
Zip: <del>/</del>	Zip: <del>/</del>
Telephone Number: <del>/</del>	Telephone Number: <del>/</del>
Compensated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Compensated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Criminal History? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**CERTIFICATION**

I certify the following: (Please check all that apply)

- I certify that I am authorized to complete this application and the information provided is true and accurate.
- I certify that the above-named charitable organization or sponsor received less than \$50,000 in total revenue (including contributions).
- I certify that the fundraising activities of the above-named charitable organization or sponsor are carried on by volunteers, members, or officers who are not compensated and no part of the assets or income of the organization or sponsor inures to the benefit of or is paid to any officer or member of the above-named charitable organization or sponsor.
- I certify that the above-named charitable organization or sponsor does not utilize a professional fundraising consultant, professional solicitor, or commercial co-venturer.

If all of the above are not certified, FDACS-10100, Solicitation of Contributions Registration Application, Rev. 11/21 must be completed.

Signature: Beverly Easterling Printed Name: JULY 18 2023  
 Title: PRESIDENT - SEWING HOPE INC Date: BEVERLY EASTERLING  
 Telephone Number: 727-461-2211 Email Address: sewinghope@gmail.com