

## **Success Charter Network**

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### **Abstract**

Success Charter Network (SCN) has developed an innovative school model that independent research has shown increases student achievement by 13-20%. SCN's seeks to expand its program to 19 schools educating over 6,600 students over the next 5 years and to 40 schools serving over 20,000 students over the next 10 years. Each school will be opened in a community serving high-need students from low-income, high minority communities in New York City and will prepare its scholars to be college and career-ready by closing the achievement gap between them and their peers in more affluent communities.

SCN plans to achieve this ambitious goal through a combination of its innovative school model and its strategic growth plan. Its school model is based on employing rigorous standards and a whole child curriculum, setting specific goals, using on-going assessments to inform instruction, creating a professional learning environment with a performance management system for adults, utilizing quality professional development, and leveraging technology to create a blended instructional environment. Its strategic growth plan that allows it to expand while maintaining quality is based on becoming self-sustaining, securing matching funds, an upfront investment to get the model right, employing a cluster model, and cultivating demand.

While SCN needs the initial upfront investment provided through this grant to fund its\ replication, each year its funding request is a smaller percentage of the total project cost as its student enrollment, and therefore its per pupil revenues, increases. At the conclusion of the grant, SCN will be able to continue operating its existing schools and opening additional schools solely on its per pupil funding and without any additional federal grant funding.