

# SENATE, No. 4170

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED NOVEMBER 22, 2021

**Sponsored by:**  
**Senator VIN GOPAL**  
**District 11 (Monmouth)**

### **SYNOPSIS**

Appropriates \$150,000 to Shri Krishna Nidhi Foundation to support health services for certain State residents with past or current COVID-19 diagnosis.

### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



1 A SUPPLEMENT to the Fiscal Year 2022 annual appropriations act,  
2 P.L.2021, c.133.

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4 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and the General Assembly of the  
5 State of New Jersey:

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7 1. In addition to the amounts appropriated under P.L.2021,  
8 c.133, the annual appropriations act for Fiscal Year 2022, there is  
9 appropriated from the General Fund the following amount for the  
10 purpose specified:

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12 46 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

13 20 Physical and Mental Health

14 21 Health Services

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16 GRANTS-IN-AID

17 05-4285 Community Health Services ..... \$150,000

18 Total Grants-in-Aid Appropriation,

19 Health Services ..... \$150,000

20 Grants-in-Aid:

21 05 Shri Krishna Nidhi Foundation ..... (\$150,000)

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23 The amount hereinabove appropriated for Shri Krishna Nidhi  
24 Foundation shall be used by the organization to support staffing  
25 and administrative costs related to identifying individuals of  
26 South Asian descent who require support due to a past or current  
27 COVID-19 diagnosis, connecting these individuals with  
28 appropriate medical care, and supporting the sociocultural needs  
29 of these individuals.

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31 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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34 STATEMENT

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36 This bill appropriates \$150,000 from the General Fund to the  
37 Department of Health for Shri Krishna Nidhi Foundation. The  
38 appropriation is to support staffing and administrative costs related  
39 to identifying individuals of South Asian descent who require  
40 support due to a past or current COVID-19 diagnosis, connecting  
41 these individuals with appropriate medical care, and supporting the  
42 sociocultural needs of these individuals.

43 Shri Krishna Nidhi Foundation is a non-profit organization that  
44 works to reduce health disparities and improve health equity  
45 through community education initiatives. One of the organization's  
46 current initiatives is addressing the disparity in care for New Jersey  
47 residents of South Asian descent who experience COVID-19  
48 complications.