



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2953

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The project consists of the relocation and expansion of the Career Connection Center located at FSCJ's Downtown Campus. Funding will be utilized for the design and construction of the relocation of the Career Connection Center from the URC Building to Building B. The new Center will be centrally located on the Downtown FSCJ campus and incorporate efficiencies with additional nearby student services. Career Development staff at the Center will offer students individual career and internship counseling, career assessments, occupational research assistance, matching major and career options, resume and cover letter writing assistance, and workshops. The new Center will also house the career resource library and the Career Closet Boutique. The new Center will include staff offices, interview rooms, multipurpose and meeting spaces, storage, and the Career Closet Boutique.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,548,738
Total State Funds Requested	2,548,738

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	2,548,738	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	2,548,738	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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Yes

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

FSCJ received \$58,458,981 of Federal CARES Act funds (Institutional Allocation). These funds were used for campus safety and sanitation, revenue recovery, student debt write-offs, technology upgrades and software to support distance learning, and employee training programs. FSCJ received \$41,868,938 of CARES, CRRSAA, and ARP funds(Financial Aid Allocation). These funds were distributed directly to students as financial aid.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

☒ Planning ☐ Design ☐ Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

TBD after design phase

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

TBD after design phase

12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

FSCJ will receive the capital funding and the new Career Connection Center will be owned by FSCJ.

13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Funding will be utilized for the design and construction of the relocation of the Career Connection Center from the URC Building to Building B. The new Center will be located in the center of the Downtown FSCJ campus and incorporate efficiencies in student services. The new Center will include staff offices, interview rooms, multipurpose and meeting spaces, storage, and the Clothing Closet Boutique.	2,548,738



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Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)

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14. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?

Relocation of the Career Connection Center at the Downtown FSCJ Campus to be in closer proximity to other student services. Funding will be utilized for design and construction of the new Career Connection Center. The new location will expand student support services, like internship and job placements, advisory services, and the Career Closet Boutique.

b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

Funding will allow for the relocation and expansion of the Career Connection Center located at FSCJ's Downtown Campus. Funding will be utilized for the planning, design, and construction to expand and renovate the Career Connection Center space, thereby expanding the services and increasing the number of students served.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

Career Development staff located within the new Career Connection Center will provide the following services and resources to students: individual career and internship counseling, career assessments, career resource library, occupational research assistance, matching major and career options, resume and cover letter writing assistance, workshops, and a Career Closet Boutique.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

The target population is FSCJ students, including those who are jobless or economically disadvantaged.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

The relocation and expansion of the Career Connection Center at FSCJ will enhance student's economic self sufficiency by providing assistance and resources to career opportunities. The Center will also improve economic activity by increasing the number of students and graduates that will be connected to job opportunities within the Jacksonville area, therefore adding to the local workforce. These benefits will be measured by the increase in students and graduates that utilize the Career Connection Center services to be placed within an internship program or accept a job and enter the workforce.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

If the College does not move forward with the project, or complete the project, funds will be reverted back to the agency.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**
b. Organization
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization
b. Municipality and County
c. Organization Type

☐ For Profit Entity



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- ☐ Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- ☐ Local Entity
- ☒ University or College
- ☐ Other (please specify)

d. First Name Last Name

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number