



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2218

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Currently, there are over 30,000 open cyber security positions in Florida. Historically the AS Computer Programming and Analysis degree is one of the top ten enrolled degrees at FSW. In support of this demand, FSW has expanded its Business and Technology offering to include a Bachelors in Information System Technology which was approved in 2021 and an Associate in Cybersecurity with the inaugural class starting this past August. This request is for equipment needed to support this program.

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 | 970,000 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 970,000 |

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) | 970,000 | 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 | 970,000 | 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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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

\$37,334,107- expand remote learning, build IT capacity to support remote learning, training faculty, cleaning and sanitizing supplies, changes in the delivery of instruction, reimbursements to students.

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)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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.

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 | Technology equipment that would support FSW's cyber security program includes robots with full programming capabilities to include vision and artificial intelligence, Internet of Things smart devices, as well as general updates to existing computers and hardware. | 970,000 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | 0 |
| Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation: | | |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering | | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 970,000 |

14. Program Performance

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

FSW's goal is to become the higher education institution of choice for students looking to gain credentials in information systems technology and cyber security. In order to accomplish this requires an investment in state-of-the-art technology.



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

To educate and train cyber security professionals, utilizing state-of-the-art technology. New technology that would support FSW's cyber security program includes robots with full programming capabilities to include vision and artificial intelligence, Internet of Things smart devices, as well as general updates to existing computers and hardware.

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

Instruction to students is the primary purpose. In addition, FSW will offer a variety of co-curricular events and trainings open to the public.

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

The primary population to be served are students enrolled in the Bachelors in Information System Technology, Associate in Cyber Security Operations, Associate in Network Systems Technology and an Associate in Computer Programming and Analysis. Historically enrollment for the computer science programs is approximately 250 in the Fall term.

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

The expected benefit will be an improvement in the quality and relevancy of the instruction delivered to the students. Installation of the current, modern technology and increase access to programs will improve the employment opportunities for graduates of these programs. The college monitors student retention, graduation, job placement/continuing education, and earnings among other measures as part of accreditation and state-mandated reporting.

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?

This is not a contracted request.

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
☐ Non Profit 501(c)(3)
☐ Non Profit 501(c)(4)
☐ Local Entity
☒ University or College



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☐ 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