



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 3083

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Academy offers a sequence of courses that provides coherent and rigorous content aligned with challenging academic standards and relevant technical knowledge and skills needed to prepare for further education and/or careers in construction. The Academy provides an opportunity to develop technical skill proficiency and includes competency-based applied learning that contributes to the academic knowledge, higher-order reasoning and problem-solving skills, work attitudes, general employability skills, technical skills and occupation-specific skills and knowledge of all aspects of repairing and maintaining buildings as well as working on plumbing, electrical masonry, painting, drywall and HVAC systems. The students participating in the Academy have the opportunity to earn two industry certification prior to graduating high school - HBI Pre-Apprenticeship Certificate Training (PACT), Core and HBI Pre-Apprenticeship Certificate Training (PACT), Core Green.

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	217,500
Fixed Capital Outlay	91,000
Total State Funds Requested	308,500

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)	308,500	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	308,500	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.



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

Yes

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

\$20,000,000 Since May of 2020. The funds were used to offset the expenses needed to maintain educational services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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	Travel for CTE Director, Program Specialist and/or Instructor	5,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Travel for students competitions & field trips, teacher training/conferences, Curricula (digital textbooks, supporting software), Certification tests & supplemental curricula, Equipment: Power tools; Battery tools; Testing Equipment; Air Tools; Hand Tools; Tool Display Board; FL Building Code Set. Supplies: Mock ups; Lumber; Plywood; Drywall; Roofing; General Shop supplies; Contingency funds.	212,500
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Building Infrastructure: Dust collection System Repairs; Floor Refinishing; Electrical Upgrades; Storage; Multi-Purpose Pole Barn for Outside Construction Projects.	91,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		308,500



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14. Program Performance

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

The goal is to empower Citrus County students with the knowledge and skills needed for high-skilled, high-demand construction and manufacturing careers. The students will learn residential construction focused skills, receive hand-on training, and master the knowledge needed to successfully earn industry certifications in construction. Students will be ready for direct employment or advanced training at a technical college or any of the schools in the Florida College System.

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

The Citrus High School Construction Academy will provide courses with challenging standards, hands-on training, relevant technical knowledge and skills needed to earn industry certifications for direct employment in construction or advanced training at a postsecondary school to build the students' careers in construction.

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

The direct services will be four years of high school courses to prepare our students to be employable directly out of high school or to continue on to advanced training at a postsecondary facility. This will fill the skilled trade gap in our area, promote economic growth and establish a higher standard of living for residents of Citrus County.

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

The targeted population will be students from across the county who are interested in developing skills needed for construction careers. We expect about 160 students to have access to this opportunity annually.

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

To show an increase in high school industry certifications earned, graduation rates, and essential jobs filled for community growth, as well as a decrease in the high school dropout rate increasing the number of students that enter into the workforce with high-skilled, high-wage jobs. These data points will be gathered and compared to previous year's data.

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?

Graduated prorated contract reduction amount based on factors directly related to provider deliverables performance.

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)



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☐ Non Profit 501(c)(4)

☐ Local Entity

☐ University or College

☒ Other (please specify) School District

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