



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1171

1. Title of Project: Florida Poly: Outreach to Underserved Populations

2. Senate Sponsor: Kelli Stargel

3. Date of Submission: 01/31/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

Increasing access and degree completion for students from traditionally underrepresented groups is a stated goal in the SUS 2012-25 Strategic Plan. Florida Polytechnic University (Florida Poly) proposes to address this goal through a series of one-week residential outreach programs for high school students that represent underserved populations.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Board of Governors

State Agency Contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	750,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	750,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	750,000	100.0%
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	750,000	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. 750000

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		



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Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	One full time program administrator	126,309
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits	Other personal services (chaperones; graduate student stipends)	180,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Expenses; operating capital outlay; housing for students	443,691
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		750,000

11. Program Performance:

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

The summer outreach program will provide a tool to recruit underrepresented populations into STEM programs, which ultimately improves campus and workforce diversity. In addition, the program will serve the state and industry by introducing more students to STEM programs and potentially increasing the number of STEM degrees awarded.

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

Students will be provided with instruction from university faculty, housing and chaperones. Curriculum already developed as a pilot program will be enhanced through a partnership with the MIT Beaver Works Summer Institute, a rigorous world-class STEM program for talented high school students.

c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Students will receive instruction, participate in hands-on STEM projects, and have opportunities to engage in activities that encourage them to seek a college degree in a STEM field.

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

This program will serve high school students from traditionally underserved groups.

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

The summer program will diversify the university campus by recruiting underrepresented students, serve the state and industry by introducing more students to STEM programs and produce more STEM degrees. Success will be measured by university diversity and graduation measures, and Florida employment measures.

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 in the contract?

Reduction in funds; program review; reversion of remaining funds.



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12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

No fixed capital outlay funding is requested.

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 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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