



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2445

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The School District of Lee County is requesting a specific appropriation project for \$250,000 to provide expanded after-school activities for up to 500 at-risk students in our schools that have earned a grade of D or a low C. The funding is required to provide extended day programming to meet the academic needs of at-risk students, beyond what our current funding may provide. Partners, such as the Boys and Girls Club and YMCA, will be engaged to provide after school programming for the students, in addition to current schools that have space in extended day programs.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250,000	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	250,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? No

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?

Yes



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

The School District of Lee County has been allocated \$323,500,000 through the CARES Act, CRRSA Act, and the American Rescue Plan for various projects that were specific to each allocation. The funding provided support for Pre-K-12 and Technical College students, with all funding relating to the preparation, response, or prevention of Covid-19. The majority of the allocation was targeted to mitigate learning loss and to close the achievement gap.

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	Funding will be allocated to partners (not-for-profits, other community organizations who host after school programs) and school-based after school programs to provide tutoring and academic interventions for up to 500 at-risk students enrolled at schools that have earned a school grade of D or a low C.	250,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
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)		250,000

14. Program Performance

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



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The goal is to expand opportunities for students to have access to highly structured after-school care. The district will partner with non-profits, other community organizations, and current school-based after-school care programs. Students who benefit from this support have high academic needs and are from low socio-economic backgrounds.

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

Tutoring and academic interventions will be provided for up to 500 at-risk students.

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

The goal of the direct services is to reduce the at-risk indicators for students so that they may be "on time" high school graduates.

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

The target population are at-risk students located at our schools who have earned letter grades of D or a low C. We are requesting funds to serve up to 500 students.

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

The expected outcomes of the project are for students to increase their academics as indicated on their report cards, increase daily attendance, and decrease disciplinary infractions.

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?

Failing to meet the deliverables could result in students who do not graduate on-time, which could adversely impact the fulfillment of their life's goals. Funds not spent on providing students with high-quality after school programs would be reverted back to the state.

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

Other (please specify)



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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