



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3152

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

In partnership with the City of Pensacola, UWF will conduct a feasibility study for a developmental laboratory school pursuant to Florida Statute 1002.32. They study will assess community and curricular needs, developmental research, program costs, and other long-term necessities. A laboratory school will transform the region by measurably improving student success and incubating and extending best practices in teaching, learning and school leadership.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

**State Agency contacted?**  Yes

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	750,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>750,000</b>

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	750,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>750,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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?**  Yes

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.

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## 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
  N/A

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
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Consultant, study costs.	750,000
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>750,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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

In partnership with the City of Pensacola, the funds will be used to conduct a feasibility study for a developmental laboratory school pursuant to Florida Statute 1002.32. The study will assess community and curricula needs, developmental research, program costs and other long-term necessities. A laboratory school will transform the region by measurably improving student success and incubating and extending best practices in teaching, learning, and school leadership.

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



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With committed partnership from the City of Pensacola, the funds for the feasibility study will serve as the kick starter to offer Escambia County school-aged children the chance at a unique and world-class education, along with working with the Department of Education for research, demonstration and evaluation.

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

The Study will characterize needs for faculty, aptitude testing mechanisms, curricula, advisory board/council, policies, community needs, funding needs and opportunities, and state and federal policies.

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

Economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, homeless, grade school students, and University/College students.

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

Currently, Escambia County's high school graduation rate ranks lower than the national average. By offering a new and innovative school curricula tailored to the needs of the community, the UWF Lab School will improve education outcomes for its students.

**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?**

Failure to meet deliverables will result in a return of funds to administering 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
- 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**



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#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

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