



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request – Fiscal Year 2017-2018

1. Project Title:
2. Senate Sponsor:
3. Date of Request:

4. Project/Program Description:

The Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University (FAMU) Center for Access and Student Success (CASS) is designed to be a multipurpose building serving as a one-stop shop for programs like recruitment, admissions, financial aid and enrollment management. This building will also house registrar, scholarship office, counselling services and the Center for Disability Access and Resources. This project will contribute towards improving the retention and graduation rates for students, by expanding outreach and recruitment, increasing counselling services, and improving the overall customer service for students, parents, and alumni. The University believes a new facility with the capability to host all enrollment management and academic enhancement activities for the students at FAMU is paramount in continuing to place FAMU as a highly competitive institution.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds:
 State Agency Contacted?

6. Amount of the Non-Recurring Request:

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>	\$23,537,897	\$39,355,000

7. Total Project Cost (if greater than Total Requested State Funds):

8. Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project:

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal:	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>
State (Excluding the amount of this request):	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>
Local:	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>
Other:	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>

9. Was the project previously funded by the State?

Fiscal Year(s)	Amount		Vetoed
	Recurring	Non-Recurring	
FY 15-16 and FY 16-17	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>	\$12,655,000	<input type="text" value="Click here to enter text."/>
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10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year.



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FAMU is requesting \$23,537,897 in year 2017-18 for construction of the project. Total funds requested for this project are currently estimated at \$39,355,000, of which \$12,655,000 have already being received. The total project cost estimate will be further refined as the design progresses. In future year approximately \$3.1M funding will be requested for FFE (fixed-furniture and equipment).

11. Program Performance (if needed, include additional documentation):

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

The student related services such as recruitment, admissions, financial aid and enrollment management are currently spread across campus and in multiple buildings. The new CASS building when built will improve efficiency and effectiveness of services to students and constituents. This project will contribute towards improving the retention and graduation rates for students, by expanding outreach and recruitment, increasing counselling services, and improving the overall customer service for students, parents, and alumni.

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

The University believes a new facility with the capability to host all enrollment management and academic enhancement activities for the students at FAMU is paramount in continuing to place FAMU as a highly competitive institution.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.
Other Salary and Benefits	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Click here to enter text.	Click here to enter text.
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Program development, Architecture, Engineering, Construction, FFE, and related services	\$39,355,000

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

This project will help us enhance our educational and research mission and services provided for our students, faculty, and community.

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

400-800

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



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This project will assist in improving the performance measures and meeting the strategic goals of the University. Once the project is complete, we anticipate that the student experience will improve by having a one stop for all student related services. Having one stop shop for student services will: 1) Improve first year retention rate of students by 5% from 81% to 86%; 2) Improve retention rate for students with GPA 2.0 and above from 70% to 80%; 3) Increase in graduation rate by 23% from 39% to 62%; 4) Expand outreach with increased number of student contacts for academic services by 10% from 82,000 to 90,200; 5) Increase in counseling services and visits to students by 10% from 4,849 to 5,334; 6) Provide greater visibility and access to student affairs administrators; 7) Enhance ability to recruit world class students; 8) Improve customer service for students, parents and alumni. The University believes that the Project will positively impact the University and the campus community. The programming and activities within the new facility will serve to enhance the development of graduating students, allowing the University to produce more employment ready students. The expected benefit or outcome of this project will be to improve quality of education. The University graduation and retention rates will improve. These rates can be measured each year.

- g. 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?

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12. 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.

State agency owned facility - Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (entity)

13. Requestor Contact information:

a. Name and Title:

Dr. Larry Robinson, Interim President

b. Organization:

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University

c. E-mail Address:

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d. Phone Number:

850-599-3225

14. Recipient Contact Information:

a. Organization:

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University

b. Municipality and County:

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c. Organization type (check all that apply):

- 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. Contact Name and Title:

Dr. Larry Robinson, Interim President

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15. Lobbyist Contact Information:

a. Name:

Ms. Barbara Cohen Pippin



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- b. Firm:
- c. Email Address:
- d. Phone Number:

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

16. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (Please describe) [Click here to enter text.](#)
- N/A

17. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
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- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288-0656, Florida Statutes)

18. What is the status of construction?

Construction activities are yet to begin.

19. What percentage of the construction has been completed? What is the estimated completion date?

We have procured design services and preconstruction services. We already have a contract for construction audit services for this project. Following are some of the major milestones for this project: Final Construction Documents (CD): October 9, 2017; Construction Documents Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) from Construction Management (CM): November 16, 2017; Substantial Completion: April 20, 2019; Final Completion: May 20, 2019

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