



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2123

1. Title of Project: Tallahassee Community College Nursing Program

2. Senate Sponsor: Bill Montford

3. Date of Submission: 02/22/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

Expansion of our successful Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN) and Associate of Science in Nursing/Registered Nurse degree programs due to the need in our service area for additional nurses. The ADN program produces approximately 70 students each year. The BSN program is designed for RNs who have completed an Associate in Science degree in nursing (ADN) and to meet the needs of students who are employed as nurses. The program currently enrolls approximately 60 new students annually. Tallahassee Memorial Hospital (TMH), a major employer of nurses in the region, advertises nationally to fill its 250 annual vacancies, but is able to hire only 58% of its nurses with baccalaureate degree. The FL Department of Economic Opportunity (FDEO) data projects 114 annual job openings in TCC's district. Although both FSU and FAMU have a BSN program, fewer than 25% of those graduates remain in the district.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Education

State Agency Contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,449,500
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,708,250
Total State Funds Requested	5,157,750

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)	5,157,750	100.00%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	0	0.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	5,157,750	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? No



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits	Evening Program Director; 10 nursing faculty; 2 specialized medical equipment technicians	1,001,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	4 patient simulators 4 hospital beds 4 headwalls 8 computers 4 Classroom AV	448,500
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Remodel 21,075 square feet to includes classrooms, simulation center, and necessary mechanical upgrades.	3,708,250
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,157,750

11. Program Performance:

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

TCC will expand our successful Bachelors of Science in Nursing (BSN) and Associate of Science in Nursing/Registered Nurse degree programs due to the need in our service area for additional nurses with advanced educational preparation. We will increase instructional staffing and remodel 21,075 square feet to includes classrooms, simulation center, and necessary mechanical upgrades.

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

The purpose of the funds is to provide high-tech equipment and facilities, as well as the best qualified instructors to provide an expansion of the BSN nursing program at Tallahassee Community College. The program is 120 credit hours with an anticipated enrollment of 240 students per year.

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

Citizens in our service region will benefit from the increased capacity provided by qualified nurses at area hospitals and medical practices; overcoming a community shortage.

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

Students and prospective students of the nursing program, as well as the medical providers in our service area and community members.

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



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Increase the number of highly-skilled, qualified nurses with both the ADN and the BSN degrees who are prepared to immediately enter the growing market.

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?

This appropriation will be used for building renovation and such contracts provide financial penalties for failure to meet deliverables on deadline. This appropriation will also be used for expansion of an instructional program with performance measures related to student enrollment, completion, and success. Program funding may be terminated or the program may be discontinued if not successful.

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.

The owner/entity is Tallahassee Community College

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14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** Tallahassee Community College
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- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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