



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2463

**1. Title of Project:** Preparing the Next Generation Agriculture Student

**2. Senate Sponsor:** Ben Albritton

**3. Date of Submission:** 03/15/2019

**4. Project/Program Description:**

Preparing the next generation of agricultural leaders by expanding the delivery of FFA programming to reach every student enrolled in agricultural education in Florida.

**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	1,250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,250,000</b>

**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)	1,250,000	100.00%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	0	0.00%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020</b>	<b>1,250,000</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**8. Has this project previously received state funding?** Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		
2018-19		250,000	111	No

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

a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. \$1,250,000

**10. 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		



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Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Operational Costs:</b>		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	\$700,000 will be used to extend FFA affiliation and opportunities to every student enrolled in agricultural education in Florida. \$300,000 will be used to enhance the delivery of premier leadership, personal growth and career success opportunities \$250,00 to upgrade and enhance FFA Leadership Training Center	1,250,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,250,000</b>

**11. Program Performance:**

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

These funds will expand the delivery of FFA programs from 18,000 students to nearly 70,000 students in Florida. Each student enrolled in agricultural education in middle and high school will become an affiliated member at the local, state and national level.

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

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership personal growth and career success through agricultural education. FFA staff work to ensure that leadership and career development opportunities are made available for all students. Likewise, FFA staff works with business and industry partners to ensure that each of our events and activities remain rigorous and relevant to the industry and provide the skills necessary to prepare students to be successful in the industry of agriculture.

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

Of the requested funds, approximately \$700,000 would be used to expand membership affiliation to nearly 70,000 students enrolled in agriculture education. This would be a significant increase from the 18,000 FFA members that are currently served in Florida. As recognized by Federal Law (Public Law 105-225), FFA is an intra-curricular program that is designed to prepare young people in the areas of premier leadership, personal growth and career success, through agricultural education. These funds would ensure that FFA programs and opportunities are available to every student enrolled in agricultural education, including those in underserved populations who would not otherwise be able to join the organization. \$350,000 would be used to enhance the delivery of FFA programming, ensuring that each program is both rigorous and relevant to the agriculture industry. \$250,000 of the requested funds will be used to enhance the FFA Leadership Training Center in Haines City.

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



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Nearly 70,000 students enrolled in Agriculture Education in Florida's middle and high schools.

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

FFA program delivery will increase from 18,000 students to nearly 70,000 students annually. FFA staff will be better equipped and mobilized to support teachers and an increase number of students regarding FFA programming. Enhancements will be made to the FFA Leadership Training Center to better accommodate a growing number of agricultural youth that utilize the facility for leadership and career success training.

**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?**

FFA chapters should be evaluated on quality, as indicated by the FFA Quality Chapter Plan.

**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.**

N/A

**13. Requestor Contact Information:**

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**14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** Florida FFA Association
- b. **County:** Statewide
- c. **Organization Type:**
  - For Profit
  - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
  - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
  - Local Entity
  - University or College
  - Other (Please specify)
- d. **Contact Name:** Rod Duckworth
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**15. Lobbyist Contact Information**

- a. **Name:** None
- b. **Firm Name:** None



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**d. Phone Number:**