



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1345

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

Students are reporting increased incidences of food and housing insecurity. Many of our students are having to leave school because they have no stable place to live, which impacts their financial, physical and mental health. Our universities have limited emergency programs in place, but the need far exceeds the resources available. The Florida Student Association is requesting funding to provide additional support to the universities for student homelessness and food insecurity programs. With the assistance of this funding, colleges and universities will be able to meet the increased need to combat food and housing insecurity. Food pantries on campuses will have the ability to expand outreach activities and provide more assistance to students in need. Additionally, students who are housing insecure will benefit from increased access to programs and support to assist them in finding stable housing so that they may remain in school.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted? Yes No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="340,000"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="000"/>
Total State Funds Requested	340,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="340000"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="100.0"/> %
Matching Funds		
Federal	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Local	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Other	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	340,000	100 %

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** Yes No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** Yes No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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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: Other		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Funds will be distributed equally between the 12 universities/colleges to provide additional resources for housing and food insecurity programs. Its is important to note that the process of "HOW" the funds will be distributed will be different depending on the rules of each entity. However, all funds will be used to purchase additional resources and supplies to fund these two issue areas.	340,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		340,000



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11. Program Performance

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

With this appropriation, colleges will be able to increase their efforts in combatting food and housing insecurity on campus. Campus food pantries will be able to provide additional resources for students. Additional emergency housing can also be provided for students who find themselves homeless.

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

Pantries on campus generally provide non-perishable food items that students may access as needed. These pantries typically have food and other items necessary for laundry and general cleaning, etc. Additionally, housing programs for students who are housing insecure are either being developed or are currently being offered. Consistent funding for additional resources can be difficult since pantries are often stocked on a strictly voluntary basis. These funds will help to combat the increased need in both areas and help to keep students in school and focused on their studies.

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

- 1.) Improved physical health, through access to food.
- 2.) Increased access to emergency food and housing.
- 3.) Improved mental health, through the additional support services offered to students who access food pantries and request assistance through the emergency housing program.
- 4.) Improved quality of education, as students will not have to leave school because they find themselves without a stable place to live.

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

These funds will be used to support students at the 12 universities in the state university system. The request is at a cost of \$1 per student. The anticipated number of students will vary based on the college/university but it is anticipated that between 500-800 students will benefit from this request.

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

Improve physical health-Universities will track the increased number of students accessing the food pantries at each institution. Students will self-report that their overall health is improved due to access to the food pantry.

- 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?

There are no suggested penalties for failure to meet the deliverables for this request. There have been multiple national studies on food and housing insecurities. Studies have also been conducted at each respective institution. Institutions report an increased need for additional resources to combat emergency food and housing issues. In this instance failure to meet the deliverables means that fewer students find themselves in crisis situations, thus negating the need for assistance. This is a good thing.



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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.**

*The Florida Student Association is asking for a one-time appropriation to be distributed equally between each of the 12 universities to assist in meeting this increased need for emergency food and housing programs.

13. **Requestor Contact Information**

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. **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

15. **Lobbyist Contact Information**

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.