



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1808

1. **Project Title** The WOW Center - Education, Internships and Training for Future Workforce Success

2. **Senate Sponsor** Annette Taddeo

3. **Date of Request** 12/10/2019

4. **Project/Program Description**

Education, Internships and Trainings for Future Workforce Success for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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

State Agency contacted? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250000	100.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	00	0 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	250,000	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		
2019-20	00	200,000	32	No

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

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 250,000



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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	Program Development, recruitment and Evaluation	12,500
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	(1) Life and Work Skills Instructor (1) Community Manager (1) Director of Vocational Programs (1) Job Coach	187,500
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	(1) One of a Kind Supports - Culinary Program	50,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		250,000



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11. Program Performance

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

The goal is to increase training for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities by creating community partners who will be educated, trained and provide internship programs leading to employment.

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

Education, Internships and Trainings for Future Workforce Success for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The goal is for them to be employed and/or prepared for employment after their internship program.

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

Pre-Employment training on soft job skills: communication skills, task related skills, interpersonal skills and time management in real life situations. Orientation, job coaching throughout the term of the internship, corporate coaching to the Human Resource Managers or to the immediate supervisor to ensure safety, and proper resources are given to the individuals who are participating in the internship program.

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

Approximately 115 Adults with Developmental and intellectual disabilities ages 22-80.

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

Improve Mental Health: Qualitative and quantitative data will be collected during the entire internship. Individuals will have an individual education plan (IEP) which will address specific benchmarks that the individuals will complete at each quarter. (Ex: Individuals will learn new work skills which are "hands-on" that are only available via internships at actual job sites.) Enrich Cultural Experience: Qualitative and quantitative data will be collected during the entire internship. Individuals will have an IEP which will address specific benchmarks that the individuals will complete at each quarter. (ex: attaining internships at locations who have never hired individuals with disabilities will provide an enriching cultural experience for our community partners) Improve quality of Education: Qualitative and quantitative data will be collected during the entire internship using IEP. Ex: Individuals will learn new work skills which are "hands-on" that are only available via internship

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?

Nothing beyond standard penalties.



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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.**

N/A

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.