



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1160

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

To graduate Pilots and A&P mechanics through this recently started program. These are both high-wage and high-demand careers that will directly affect the already significant aviation career opportunities in our service region, which has six major military installations. This will provide industry recognized certification for the skills attained in the military as they transition to a civilian career.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	500,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

Student tuition and fees, but they would be very high and prohibitive.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.



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\$16,679,680. Half was used to distribute directly to students for aid purposes. Of the remaining amount, about \$4 million has/will be used to defray lost revenue and the remainder has/will be spent on COVID-19 mitigation costs.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Money will be spent on equipment to train aviation mechanics.	500,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

12. Program Performance

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

To graduate Pilots and A&P mechanics through this recently started program. These are both high-wage and high-demand careers that will directly affect the already significant aviation career opportunities in our service region, which has six major military installations. This will provide industry recognized certification for the skills attained in the military as they transition to a civilian career.

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

Train Pilots and A&P mechanics through this recently started program. These are both high-wage and high-demand careers that will directly affect the already significant aviation career opportunities in our service region, which has six major military installations. This will provide industry recognized certification for the skills attained in the military as they transition to civilian careers.

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

To assist students, many of whom will be transitioning military members, in gaining certification as either a Pilot or Airframe & Powerplant Mechanic. Thus providing a very family sustainable wage and helping support the aviation industry within our Okaloosa and Walton Counties.

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

Any interested student, but we are significantly targeting transitioning military member.

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

Creating jobs that provide a family sustainable wage and helping support the aviation industry within our Okaloosa and Walton Counties. The measure will be the number of certifications issued.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties



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for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

The A&P training is done "in-house" and not by contract. The Pilot training will be done by contract and under that contract we do not pay the contractor unless a certificate is issued.

13. 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.

None.



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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

15. 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

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number