



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1364

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

4. Project/Program Description

The Training and Research Facility will be a state of the art training and research space, including an engineering lab to make apps/sensors/wearable devices. The facility will train a health care workforce for the region and advance FAU's research and community engagement mission by providing healthcare support. The facility will be used for patient-based interactions, research, education, community service, and for individuals to learn about advanced patient care options. It will also feature experiential learning opportunities involving faculty and students interacting with patients, and with patient actors who can present with maladies that students have to diagnose. Clinical care will be provided by licensed faculty and student trainees. Patient research also will be conducted by students and licensed professionals in the areas of clinical trials, physiology studies, medical devices, and wearable sensor technology.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds
- State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	25,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	25,000,000

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)	25,000,000	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	25,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? Yes
- a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

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

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



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Yes

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

FAU has received \$140,560,468 in nonrecurring Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF). A significant portion of the funds (\$57,794,632) were provided directly to students in Emergency Aid grants. Institutional HEERF dollars also were used to provide refunds to students for Housing and Dining contracts that were canceled because of COVID.

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		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Funds will be utilized to plan for and construct the Health Sciences Training and Research Facility	25,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		25,000,000

12. Program Performance

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

To build a Health Sciences Training and Research Facility to train a health care workforce for the region and advance FAU's research and community engagement mission by providing healthcare support.

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

The Health Sciences Facility will have state of the art training and research space including an engineering lab to make apps/sensors/wearable devices; a gait analysis lab and exercise physiology studies; and a wet lab for analysis of patient samples and cellular/molecular research labs dedicated to Health Sciences. It will also feature experiential learning opportunities involving faculty and students interacting with patients, and with patient actors who can present with maladies that students have to diagnose.

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

The Health Sciences Facility will be used for patient based interactions, research, education, and community service and for individuals to learn about advanced patient care options. Clinical care will be provided by licensed faculty and student trainees. Patient research also will be conducted by students and licensed professionals in the areas of clinical trials, physiology studies, medical devices, and wearable sensor technology.

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



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Residents in the community seeking clinical care and students being trained to fill critical healthcare jobs. The facility will be used for patient-based interactions, research, education, community service, and for individuals to learn about advanced patient care options. It will also feature experiential learning opportunities involving faculty and students interacting with patients. Hundreds of patients and students annually will benefit from the training, research, programs, and clinical care offered at the facility.

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

The facility will be used for patient based interactions, research, education, and community service and for individuals to learn about advanced patient care options. Students from Colleges of Nursing, Engineering and Computer Science, Medicine, and Social Work will work together in collaborative settings geared towards training them for a real world workforce. The facility will increase student cohorts in critical healthcare professions. Students will learn in state of the art education space with a simulation center, conference rooms, classrooms. FAU colleges and distinct programs follow stringent requirements to maintain accreditation by discipline specific organizations. Annually, a report of our accredited programs is submitted to the BOG.

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 the contract?

Withholding funds, delay in the delivery of additional funds.

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.

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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