



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1458

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

## 4. Project/Program Description

Polk State College is requesting \$16,689,627 in PECO funds to complete the renovation of Winter Haven Campus Building 3, a critical academic and laboratory facility used for STEM-related, laboratory science coursework required for Associate in Science and Associate in Arts degree programs.

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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	16,689,627
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>16,689,627</b>

## 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)	16,689,627	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>16,689,627</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.

## 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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Polk State was awarded \$43 million in federal COVID relief funds.  
42% of these funds will be disbursed as emergency grants to students to provide direct assistance to address the financial impacts of COVID-19.  
51% of funds are to enhance remote instruction; expand access to tech; invest in improvements to address air quality, health, & safety; address student healthcare & mental health services; and recover lost revenue.  
7% for faculty & staff for their resiliency in maintaining operations.

#### 11. 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		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Requested funds will be used to update labs, classrooms, corridors, offices, and public spaces; bring restrooms into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act; update the fire protection system; and replace and upgrade all building and infrastructure systems. Funds will also replace all equipment in labs including fume hoods and casework.	16,689,627
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>16,689,627</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

Polk State College's Building 3 was constructed in the late 1960s and houses the campus science labs that serve all students pursuing workforce degrees requiring a laboratory science. This includes all Health Sciences degrees, as well as associate degree programs in Education and STEM career fields. Renovations to this facility would provide students with high-quality learning environments and tools for the modern workforce.

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

This project will upgrade Building 3 to current instructional and life-safety standards. The renovation will replace all building infrastructure and systems, modernize laboratory spaces, and reconfigure instructional and support spaces. Additionally, all renovations will bring the building into compliance with current fire safety and Americans with Disabilities Act standards.

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

Investments to improve Building 3 will allow students to continue to fulfill requirements for critical workforce degree programs that require laboratory science coursework, leading them to higher levels of study and employment opportunities in high-demand job categories including Health Sciences and STEM fields.

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



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Economically disadvantaged persons; grade school, high school, and university and college students; Polk County community groups and organizations. Over 5,000 students per year on the Winter Haven Campus.

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

This project should result in improvements to the performance measures as adopted by the State Board of Education. In particular, the retention and completion rates should increase as a result of students and instructors making use of modernized teaching and learning environments. In addition, improvements will extend the life of the facility and new building systems will improve overall building efficiencies and lower the cost of operations.

**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?**

Reporting and penalties should be consistent with those outlined for fixed capital outlay projects.

**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.**

Polk State College is a public institution and will receive and invest the capital outlay funding as described above.



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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