



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1979

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Our nine-month program will offer pre-requisite courses in the fall and 101 courses in the spring. Upon completion of our one-year program, students will then be employed with a trade company in their chosen field. Once employed, the employer will enroll the student into the apprenticeship program with ABC to complete their education and training. FTA is the first step to a new, trade industry career. The funds will go to material supplies and equipment, and instructors to help get the program off the ground for the first fiscal year.

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	453,788
Fixed Capital Outlay	50,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>503,788</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)	503,788	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>503,788</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?



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

#### 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	Administrative Assistant, 12 positions.	40,000
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	Instructors, 4 positions	57,600
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Desk, chairs, computers, rent, office furniture, marketing, it support, web hosting, maintenance, promo materials, signage, phone system, video support software, admin supplies, insurance, curriculum supplies, utilities, sponsorship support	356,188
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Build-out for building	50,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>503,788</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

Funds will go to support first year efforts of a nine-month pre-apprenticeship program sponsored by Associated Builders and Contractors through the Florida Trade Academy. Specifically, these funds will allow FTA to launch a much-needed path for graduating high school seniors and others seeking an avenue to apprenticeship in electrical, HVAC, plumbing and/or fire sprinkler alarm installation.

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

Florida Trade Academy will provide a nine-month pre-apprenticeship program which will include OSHA and safety courses, professional skills classes and selected 101 coursework which will then certify students to begin a full-scale apprenticeship program leading to employment.

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

The services provided to citizens will be to encourage more individuals to pursue lifelong careers in the trades. Not everyone is college bound, and as a society we need to be ok with that. Labor shortage in the construction industry is at an all time high. This program will help expedite those entering the realm of apprenticeship by helping them complete their pre-apprenticeship courses so they can smoothly transition into apprenticeship and employment. Currently, when a student wants to enroll in apprenticeship training, there are prerequisites he/she must meet, and most of the time are incomplete causing delays. This program will be sponsored by the Associated Builders and Contractors Gulf Cast Chapter as their pre-apprenticeship school.

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

The target population is graduating high school seniors and/or others wishing to enroll in a 10-month pre-apprenticeship program. This project will focus on enrolling 25 students who will complete the program and enroll in an apprenticeship program thereafter.

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



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be measured?

The goal is to have 25 students in our inaugural class and all are hired and enrolled in apprenticeship programs within the state of Florida. They will be measured as actual apprentices through the state hired by contractors and in a state sponsored apprenticeship program, such as the Associated Builders and Contractors.

**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?**

Repayment of the 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.**

The organization is governed by a board of directors as a DBA of Livingstone Schools, Inc. Operations will be led by CEO, Chris Pello. All funding from this appropriation will go directly to staffing, services, supplies and equipment for students, marketing, and operational start up needs.



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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