



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2174

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

This project will allow Academy at the Farm Charter School to expand with a high school. This high school will follow the path of the A Plus ranking Academy at the Farm Elementary and Middle School. The goal is to provide the community with a high school that will offer electives, an agricultural program, character development, and individualized instruction. Utilizing these options, the plan is to give high school students the skills they will need to be successful citizens in the future.

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	160,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	11,695,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>11,855,000</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)	11,855,000	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>11,855,000</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.

TBD

**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	Principal Salary	100,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Assistant to the Principal	45,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Pre-construction services	15,000
<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	Final Engineering / Architecture Design & Permitting Fee - \$750,000 Civil Site Construction Cost - \$3,000,000 Building Construction Cost - \$7,195,000 Construction Manager Fee - \$750,000	11,695,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>11,855,000</b>

**12. Program Performance**

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

The specific purpose is to build a high school that will be part of Academy at the Farm Charter School. There is a high demand, need, and request for a charter high school to be built in this area. The goal is to give the community a high school that provides inclusion, character education, and individualized instruction, as well as a successful school that follows the Elementary and Middle School A Plus School ranking for multiple years in a row.

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

Many students will have the opportunity to continue their education at a successful charter high school. The students will also participate in a character education program through the AATF Six Character Traits as well as the Top 20 Program. In addition, the students will be provided with individualized instruction as Academy at the Farm is an inclusion school with a 1:8 ratio (each classroom includes a teacher and an Instructional Assistant).

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

To provide a successful charter high school that focuses on inclusion and more individualized instruction. The students will also be provided a thorough character education program (Top 20 Curriculum), so they are able to graduate with life skills necessary for their future.

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

The target population that will be served by this project will be high school students. The number of individuals expected to be served will be around 450.

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



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The high school students will be able to preserve their mental well-being through the mentoring program, Character Education, Top 20 Curriculum, and a Peer Counseling elective. There will also be an increase in the number of students enrolled in the Agriculture program as the inclusion of FFA is integrated into the high school programs rather than as an extra curricular activity. Students will learn how to work cooperatively with peers through specific Kagan strategies taught in the classroom. The school will also be able to provide about 40 jobs to fill the necessary positions to run the high school.

**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?**

The penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures will be addressed with liquidated damages. This could be incorporated into the overall construction contract.

**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