



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2365

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The requested funds would support increasing the entering class size by 20 students (from 130 to 150) each year over a 4 yr period, for a net increase of 80 students.

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	3,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	3,000,000

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)	3,000,000	39%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	4,700,000	61%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	7,700,000	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.

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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Revenue: UF received \$76M - Direct Student Aid & \$93M - Institutional Support Expenses: 1) \$76M - Direct Student Aid; 2) \$73M - a number of campus operations like: \$5M IT infrastructure & equipment for remote/distance learning; \$9M reimbursements for housing & study abroad; \$11M campus health & safety; \$48M for lost revenues in the student union, educational business activities, parking, research service centers, museums & performing arts centers; 3) \$20M - other COVID-related developing 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	15 hires with an average salary of \$150,000 + fringe benefits= \$196,500 per faculty	3,000,000
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		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

12. Program Performance

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

National demand for veterinarians exceeds supply (estimated shortage of 15,000 by 2030). In Florida, 732 online job ads for veterinarians were posted in June 2021. These shortages will have an impact on both food animals and pet animals, as identified by various constituent groups. The requested funds would support increasing the entering class size by 20 students (from 130 to 150) each year over a 4 yr period, for a net increase of 80 students.

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

Provide additional access for Florida residents to earn a degree in Veterinary Medicine in order to address acute workforce needs. Hire additional faculty in specific areas of excellence which will grow research at the college and bolster clinical practice in Oncology, Orthopedic and Minimally Invasive surgery and Emergency critical care medicine.

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

Produce more food animal vets as requested by the Cattlemen's Association. Develop strategies for addressing the African Swine Fever which has arrived in the State. Address the needs of pet animal lovers (adoption rates for companion animals has escalated). Increase clinical treatment opportunities, research and extension activities.

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

University/college students and Florida citizens with pets, Persons & Businesses around the State with food animal veterinary needs. Statewide reach with indeterminate reach.

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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When fully phased-in, UF College of Veterinary Medicine will produce an additional 20 graduates annually (15% increase), at an average beginning salary of \$102,000. Increased externally-funded research will leverage the state funding. Additional clinical opportunities will increase revenue and be provided to countless numbers of Florida citizens. Address National and State Workforce needs for Veterinarians. UF will closely monitor the relationship between financial aid, entering student credentials, job outcomes, and average indebtedness at graduation. Federal funding grants will be reported annually. Clinical data will be monitored.

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?

Withhold future year's funding.

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