



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1121

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

4. Project/Program Description

The Institute of Public Safety (IPS) was established in 1994 and trains hundreds of public safety students annually (basic and advanced/specialized). Currently the IPS provides training for law enforcement and correctional officers, fire fighting, EMT, and public safety telecommunicators. According to the 2022-23 DEO targeted occupations list there are an expected 1,083 annual openings in Region 12 for law enforcement officers, correction officers, fire fighters, EMT's, paramedics, and public safety telecommunicators. Every inch of space at the IPS is used for public safety workforce training and we have simply outgrown the almost 30 year old space. The funds will provide additional classroom/lab training space needed at the IPS facility for continued/expanded skilled workforce training in the public safety sector. This additional space will also allow for EMS training and advanced law and fire training for public safety professionals continued education and required certifications.

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

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	3,500,000	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 2023-2024	3,500,000	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.

At this time, there is no other source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding for this building expansion.



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

Yes

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

Lake Technical College received Cares Act and HEERF funding which was used to mitigate Covid-19. In addition, funds were used to provide scholarships to students. Lake County provided funds for some equipment allowing students to be able to socially distance during lab time. With the scholarships and demand for skilled training, Lake Technical College can't keep up with the enrollment demand. The assistance did not allow for construction of additional training space which is greatly needed.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

Planning
 Design
 Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List 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.

Lake Technical College is a conversion charter career center sponsored by the Lake County School District. Lake Technical College Board of Directors has full governance over the building, although the Lake County School District owns the building. As a result Lake Technical College does not directly receive fixed capital outlay funding to assist with growth needs.

13. 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 used to add classrooms and labs for public safety training (law, fire, EMS, dispatch) and to renovate 30 year old required locker rooms for physical fitness curriculum requirements.	3,500,000



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Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)	3,500,000
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14. Program Performance

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

The funds will provide additional classroom/lab training space needed at the Institute of Public Safety facility for continued/expanded skilled workforce training in the public safety sector. Currently this facility provides training for law enforcement and correctional officers, fire fighting, EMS, and public safety telecommunicators. This additional space will also allow for more students to be trained, paramedic training to be added at this location, and advanced/specialized law and fire training for public safety professionals continued education and required certifications.

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

Education and training in the public safety sector in order to develop a skilled workforce and train current workers in required updates/continuing ed. This facility also serves as a training location for the Lake County Sheriff's Office and local city police and fire departments. Ultimately the entire region, local municipalities, and citizens will benefit from training and services offered.

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

Educational opportunities, the development of a much needed skilled workforce in the critical need public safety sector, and advanced/specialized training for public safety professionals in law enforcement, corrections, fire fighting, emergency medical services, and telecommunications.

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

The Lake Technical College Institute of Public Safety currently serves postsecondary students, including dual enrolled high school students, in the region for public safety positions. This project will allow for additional training space and includes groups such as: jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, homeless, high school students, and university students. Thousands of individuals will be served via this facility.

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

Improved quality of education - Additional training space at a modern facility will allow for training for skilled public safety professionals focusing on law enforcement, corrections, fire fighting, emergency medical services, and dispatch and will allow space to train more students than the current location. Measured by tracking the number of graduates, placement into jobs, number of graduates with industry recognized certifications and credentials. Creates specific immediate job opportunities - According to the DEO 2022-23 targeted occupation list, there are 1,083 annual openings in Region 12 for law enforcement officers, correction officers, firefighters, paramedics, and public safety telecommunicators. Measured by tracking the placement of graduates into jobs.

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?

Return funds to the state.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization



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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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number