



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2201

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Expansion of the Northwest Florida State College Campus in South Walton Co and construction of Seacoast Collegiate High School on that Campus, serving as an expanded and permanent facility for Seacoast, as well as a new shared workforce / business incubation center. Seacoast currently holds a long-term (40 year + renewals) land lease from the College. Post Secondary Education is almost non-existent in Walton Co, requiring the County's dual enrolled students and residents to travel approximately one hour each way to neighboring Okaloosa Co. These proposed new facilities will expand capacity for the College and Seacoast and offer new educational opportunities located upon the underutilized College property in Walton Co, better serving the surrounding communities with expanded programming and alternatives to the current requirement to travel to the College's main campus. The curriculum will be a collaborative effort, workforce driven, with CTE coursework as well as traditional pathways.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	9,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	9,000,000

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)	9,000,000	47%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	10,000,000	53%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	19,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.



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Private donors through school's Capital Campaign; Municipal Bond Funding; and Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. Grant.

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.

PPP \$477,000
 ERC \$158,315.65
 ESSER I \$66,213.68
 CPR \$7,697.84
 ESSER II \$291,796.08

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.

Land is owned by the NWFL State College. The Seaside School Foundation, Inc., a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, created to benefit and support The Seaside School, Inc., which includes Seacoast Collegiate High School, a charter school established under Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. Long-term land lease/educational partnership between the School and the College.

13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	NA	0
Other Salary and Benefits	NA	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	NA	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	NA	0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	NA	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	NA	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	NA	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		



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Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	All funds will be spent on fixed capital construction, infrastructure, planning and engineering.	9,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		9,000,000

14. Program Performance

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

Construction of Seacoast Collegiate High School on the NWFSC Campus in S Walton Co, serving as an expanded and permanent facility for Seacoast, and new shared workforce/business incubation center. Postsecondary education is almost non-existent in Walton County, requiring the County's dual enrolled students and resident to travel to neighboring Okaloosa County. These proposed new facilities will expand capacity for the College and Seacoast and offer local educational opportunities.

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

Construction of Seacoast Collegiate High School for dual enrolled students grades 9-12, a well as construction of a new shared facility which will house a workforce/business incubation center. New facilities will improve access to entrepreneurial opportunities, local business employment and internship opportunities and offer expanded curriculum and career-technical certificates.

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

Once completed, the project will serve secondary 9-12, post-secondary, workforce training, industrial skills and trades, traditional A.A. and career A.S. pathways through dual enrollment, with CTE coursework and a business incubator known as the "Accelerator" serving industrial skills trades, offering workforce development and community educational events and opportunities.

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

The primary target is Seacoast Collegiate High School dual enrolled students. It is expected that programming would allow for up to 800 students (traditional and non-traditional) to be served by the campus in its first phase. A planned second phase would allow for more, as would virtual programming. Other populations served will be grade school students, at-risk youth, economically disadvantaged persons, jobless persons, and citizens seeking workforce training.

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

Expected benefits are providing a local resource for dual enrollment, college, workforce training initiatives; improving access to dual enrollment; improving access to entrepreneurial opportunities; local business employment and internship opportunities; career-technical certifications and certificates. Students will no longer have to travel to neighboring counties to attend dual enrollment and other postsecondary classes. Methodology for measuring outcome will be data to be captured each school year through enrollment numbers, school district reporting, and college enrollment numbers through Northwest Florida State College. Data can be measured to compare the number of certifications and certificates offered vs. completed.

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?

Funding will be returned to the State of Florida if the project does not initiate.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**



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16. 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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number