



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2361

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Establish a Workforce Education Center (WEC) to provide education and economic development opportunities for South Hills. Co. The center will meet critical demands; as the surrounding areas have reported 24% growth in the total population and 42% growth in 9-12 grade students between 2015 and 2020. The facility will mediate critical instructional space shortages and function as a comprehensive training center for high wage careers in the healthcare, business, and technology fields.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

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

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)	3,000,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	3,000,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	6,000,000	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.

This is a state college building so the only money available for construction is Public Education Capital Outlay, (PECO). The college could fund raise through the foundation for private dollars.

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

Yes



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

\$118,000,000 for federally mandated aid to students, deferred maintenance and technology for students.

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

Dependent on State Investment

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

Dependent on State Investment

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.

Hillsborough Community 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		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	Planning, design and engineering of the center	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

14. Program Performance

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



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

The WEC will provide workforce training and job placement services for high wage occupations, as well as a space for large-scale training and professional development opportunities for local industry. The WEC will offer a full scope of student services, including advising, financial aid, veterans' services, counseling and career resource.

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

The WEC will be a multi-function, multi-use space for instruction, workforce training, local stakeholder development, and community events and programming. The WEC will also serve as a hub for high-value, non-profit agencies to increase public access to services like job placement, food and nutrition support, and childcare.

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

Elderly persons, jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, developmentally disabled, physically disabled, grade school students, high school students, university/college students. The building would be available to all of HCC's 42,000 students and Hillsborough County residents.

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

HCC's enterprise resource programs would measure improvements in quality of education, increasing or improving economic activity, creating specific immediate job opportunities, enhancing, specific individuals' economic self sufficiency, and reducing recidivism.

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?

Reversal of funding.

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

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity



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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