



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1130

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Funds will be used to expand JA Pre-Apprenticeship programs in Broward and Lee/Collier Counties. In Broward, Healthcare will be introduced as a new track, adding 70 seats and increasing capacity to 350 seats across five industries (Maritime, Construction, Telecom, Water, and Healthcare). In Lee/Collier, Telecom will be introduced as a new track with 20 seats, and Construction will increase to 60 seats, enrolling 80 students total. These expansions will address critical workforce needs.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	1,097,232
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	1,097,232

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,097,232	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	100,000	4%
Other	1,010,032	46%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	2,207,264	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2024-25	0	705,745		No

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

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

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects



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10. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

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?

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

11. 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.

12. 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		
Salary and Benefits	Broward: Director - \$115,900 Program Manager - \$79,300 Employer Relations Manager- \$85,400 Technical Trainer: \$73,200 Lee/Collier: Pre-Apprenticeship Manager - \$81,274.42 Pre-Apprenticeship Student Success Coach - \$64,237.81	499,312
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Broward: Student Supplies, Tools, and Equipment - \$61,000 PPE - \$24,550 Industry Certifications - \$92,970 Raw Materials - \$25,000 Transportation - \$139,800 Training Costs - \$79,900 Lee/Collier: Student Supplies, Tools, and Equipment - \$25,000 Laptops and Charging Cart - \$33,000 Industry Certifications - \$26,250 Training Costs - \$25,900	533,370



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Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Broward: AR/VR Curriculum - Online Learning Platform - \$20,000 Canvas - \$9,800 Lee/Collier: AR/VR Curriculum - Online Learning Platform - \$18,750 Canvas - \$16,000	64,550
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,097,232

13. Program Performance

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

Funds will be used to expand JA Pre-Apprenticeship programs in Broward and Lee/Collier Counties. In Broward, Healthcare will be introduced as a new track, adding 70 seats and increasing capacity to 350 seats across five industries (Maritime, Construction, Telecom, Water, and Healthcare). In Lee/Collier, Telecom will be introduced as a new track with 20 seats, and Construction will increase to 60 seats, enrolling 80 students total. These expansions will address critical workforce needs.

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

JASF is dedicated to equipping every child with the skills, knowledge and self-assurance to navigate their futures, steer our economy and lead our community. This goal will be attained through offering services and activities encompassing workforce training, career exploration, certifications, employment and Pre-apprenticeships for high school students and young adult.

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

JA's initiatives emphasize career exploration, skills training, job shadowing, entrepreneurship, and pre-apprenticeship. Demonstrating success in capturing the interest of high school students in diverse career paths, imparting crucial work skills, offering opportunities to earn tech program, college credits, or industry certifications, while bridging the gap to fill job positions.

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

Targeted populations are economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, high school students, and any students/young adults ages 17-24. The project is expected to serve 401-800 individuals.

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

Benefits of the project include improved quality of education, increased or improved economic activity, and the enhancement of specific individual's economic self-sufficiency. The program will increase the level of essential workforce skills that students need to be ready for the workforce. It will also develop qualified entry level job candidates for employers in industries with workforce shortages. These will be measured through surveys of participants, pre and posttests and tracking of both completion of program, industry certifications earned by students resulting from program.

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 in the contract?

If challenges arise, we may request an extension to meet performance measures and allow for program completion, with the understanding that any unused state funds will be reimbursed. We are committed to delivering program objectives, including the expansion of existing tracks in maritime, construction, telecom, and water utilities, along with the addition of a healthcare track.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? No

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?



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- Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

18. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County



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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 Ext.

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.