



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1574

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The program will equip unemployed and underemployed individuals obtain employment in high-demand industries, reducing unemployment rates, and furthering Florida's goal to become the top state for workforce education by 2030. OIC South Florida will serve individuals and families, building a talent pipeline from K-12 through career education, offering vocational training, certification, and wrap-around support, leading to an increase in self-sufficiency, resulting in positive economic growth.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	1,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>

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)	1,000,000	21%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	2,500,000	51%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	408,313	8%
Local	0	0%
Other	1,003,000	20%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>4,911,313</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

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

9. Is future-year 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.

Other federal and state grants; and community and private foundation 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
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits	Staffing - program managers/supervisors, outreach staff, FT credentialed/certified educators.	700,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Vocational training activities, educational materials, certifications, assessments, curricula, software, classroom resources, work-based learning safety equipment and job materials, progress monitoring tools, and performance measurement tools for 100+ individuals.	150,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Adjunct Trainers for vocational and specialized training.	150,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,000,000</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

The program will equip unemployed and underemployed individuals obtain employment in high-demand industries, reducing unemployment rates, and furthering Florida's goal to become the top state for workforce education by 2030. OIC South Florida will serve individuals and families, building a talent pipeline from K-12 through career education, offering vocational training, certification, and wrap-around support, leading to an increase in self-sufficiency, resulting in positive economic growth.

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



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OIC will conduct labor market informed career development activities, provide vocational training, industry-recognized credentialing programs, wrap around support, and job placement.

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

Direct training services in electrical, fiber optics, I.T., logistics, culinary, construction, and related fields; and youth leadership development, internships, and career readiness training.

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

We anticipate serving 100+ jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, job seekers in substance abuse treatment or recovery, middle and high school students, university/college students, currently or formerly incarcerated persons, and justice-involved individuals.

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

The expected outcomes and benefits include improving the quality of education, protecting the general public from harm, increased and improved economic activity, creating specific immediate job opportunities, enhancing an individual's and family's economic self sufficiency, reducing recidivism, and diverting youth from entering into-or recidivating from the criminal/juvenile justice system. These outcomes will be measured by tracking participants on the employment journey - from interview opportunities to placements per quarter.

**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?**

Return the funding to the state.

**14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?**

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

- 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)?**



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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

#### 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



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