



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1666

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

To equip, per FAA rules, the Aviation Maintenance Technician School currently under construction by the School District of Manatee County at the Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport so that Manatee Technical College may offer career certificate workforce training in Aviation Mechanic programs and prepare students for Airframe and Powerplant FAA ratings.

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	1,000,000
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	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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		
2022-23	0	5,500,000	22A	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
<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		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Equipment to offer FAA-approved Aviation Maintenance Technician training including turbine engine, turbo prop, thrust reverser, turbo charger, fire detection sys, cockpit instrumentation, digital engine instrumentation, ice/rain protection sys., oxygen system, turbine fuel system, anti-skid brake sys., fluid lines, nose gear assembly, landing gear, trainers incl. elect., hydraulic, pneumatic, brake, fuel	1,000,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<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?

To equip the Aviation Maintenance Technician School currently under construction by the School District at the Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport so that the AMTS may achieve FAA approval and Manatee Technical College may offer career certificate workforce training in Aviation Mechanic and prepare students for Airframe and Powerplant FAA ratings.

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



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Manatee Technical College will prepare students for employment or advanced training in the commercial and general aviation industry.

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

Manatee Technical College will offer career certificate workforce training in Aviation Airframe Mechanic and Aviation Powerplant Mechanic. Instruction will prepare students for FAA license exams for Airframe and/or Powerplant ratings, in alignment with FAA Part 147 requirements for AMT schools.

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

Target population is high school, college, and economically disadvantaged persons. The number of students expected to be served per year is 60 - 100.

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

A fully equipped Aviation Maintenance Technician School (AMTS) at SRQ. AMTS will meet 14 CFR Part 147 equipment requirements.

**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?**

The suggested penalties would be to return the funds 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)?**

- Yes, Applied



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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) School District tech college

**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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