



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1819

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Planning, design and construction of a new 5+ story structure, to build upon the world-class center for study and treatment of neurodegenerative diseases. Currently, The Fixel Institute is a destination for all Floridians as well as a global model for patient care, research, training, think tanks, and centers of excellence programs focusing on Alzheimer's disease, ALS, traumatic brain injury, Parkinson's disease and movement disorders. Additional funding will leverage the state's previous investment in our world class talent and infrastructure at U of F.

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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	50,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	50,000,000

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)	50,000,000	33%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	100,000,000	67%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	150,000,000	100%

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.

donor matching support

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)? No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction? 06/30/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 06/30/2027

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

Recurring Operating Budget Dollars
 Philanthropic giving & Endowment Income:
 Research Funding
 Other Institutional Support

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.

UFBOT (direct) & UF Shands (indirect). UF Health Shands is a direct support organization of UF.

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		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 Construction of a ~5-6 story structure with a clinic for Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and neurodegenerative disorders expected on the 1st floor along with state of the art imaging equipment. The 2nd floor is expected to be a state of the art learning center to train the next generation of clinicians and researchers in neurodegeneration. Floors 3&4 are expected to be a technology and research hub for clinical research and the latest clinical trials. Floors 5&6 are expected to be	50,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		50,000,000

13. 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?

Fixel is a destination for all Floridians as well as a global model for patient care, research, training, think tanks, and centers of excellence programs focusing on Alzheimer's disease, ALS, traumatic brain injury, Parkinson's disease and movement disorders, leveraging the state's previous investment in our world class talent and infrastructure at the University of Florida.

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

Fixel is comprised of centers of excellence programs focusing on Alzheimer's disease, ALS, traumatic brain injury, Parkinson's disease and movement disorders. The Institute provides an innovative and unique model for treating complex neurological diseases which utilizes an interdisciplinary approach for care and the development of cutting-edge research. clinic for Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and neurodegenerative disorders expected on the 1st floor along with state of the art imaging equipment. The 2nd floor is expected to be a state of the art learning center to train the next generation of clinicians and researchers in neurodegeneration. Floors 3&4 are expected to be a technology and research hub for clinical research and the latest clinical trials. Floors 5&6 are expected to be for next generation basic and translational research.

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

The Fixel institute receives more than 35,000 patient visits a year. we expect many more upon completion of the project.

- Elderly persons
- Persons with poor mental health
- Persons with poor physical health
- obless persons
- Economically disadvantaged persons
- Developmentally disabled
- Physically disabled
- University/college students
- ¿Other: Patients, families and caregivers whose lives are affected by a neurological disorder.

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

- Improve physical health
- Improve mental health
- Enrich cultural experience
- Improve quality of education
- Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)
- as a research institution we track outcomes

Implement an interdisciplinary training model across all specialties including clinicians, neuroscientists, and health care providers, publishing findings and patient results.

Increase the percentage of patients who benefit from quality multidisciplinary care per visit.

Develop plan for focused community outreach and patient engagement.

Bridge thought leaders and experts across the world through think tanks and annual conferences. With more than 50 clinical research trials, all patients have a chance to participate and make an impact on the future care and treatment of complex neurological disorders. Engage in Leadership development curriculum on the Fixel brand,how to build a Fixel: elements of a successful center, lecture series.

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?



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customary penalties for grants at universities.

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
- 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.



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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

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