



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2169

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Florida Department of Education will choose 3 schools to pilot the Guardian Angel Program. The students at these three campuses will be protected by an innovative drone program designed to stop school shooters immediately.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	557,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	557,000

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)	557,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	557,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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? 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

10. Status of Construction



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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	Fee for chief tactical officer salary and for overseeing the program	32,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Support team members overseeing operations and fiscal appropriations	30,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Travel for initial set up and oversight of the pilot program	12,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Market research and business development teams to assess the efficacy of the pilot program	36,000
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	Four pilots and five support staff salaries prorated for their time spent directly on the project	72,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	20 boxes of drones to be distributed based on the square footage of each school pilot site. Travel and set up costs for the pilot schools including temporarily updating network infrastructure to ensure effective remote piloting	350,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Hardware and firmware development cost during pilot program to address core functionality improvements required to attain success in showing benefits	25,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		557,000

13. Program Performance

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

The program will create extra layers of school safety and aid students in their learning environment. We will measure reduction in violent events to occur. Increase response time and threat intervention success rates. Surveys assessing law enforcement, staff, student and parent perceptions of safety before and after implementation.

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



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

Schools are soft targets for active shooters. This program will increase response times should an active shooter event occur. The program will assist first responders by ensuring a school shooters can be either be neutralized or mitigated providing law enforcement with a better opportunity to stop the incident.

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

Students, parents, teachers, and school administrators.

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

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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?

financial penalties.

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

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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