



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2185

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

Save Lives and Bridge Divides by providing police officers the effective training they desperately want and need at a fraction of traditional costs using groundbreaking simulation technology infused into real-world theme-park inspired environments. Studies consistently prove the most effective form of police training to be immersive scenario-based training. Decision Tactical's modern facility enables officers to practice proper response to crisis situations in highly-immersive stress-inducing environments before facing them on the streets. This greatly improves policing skills including stress inoculation, threat assessment, bias-free policing, de-escalation, emotionally-disturbed-person engagements, tactical movement and active-assailant response. In turn, lives of both officers and the public at large are saved.

These funds allow 5,000 Central Florida law enforcement officers to participate in a one-day intensive immersive scenario-based training.

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
Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000

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)	1,000,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	1,000,000	50%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	2,000,000	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.**



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Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

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	Cost of the facility including utilities, technology, etc.	200,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	Labor of the team to provide the services. This includes those who interact directly with the trainers and with the law enforcement officers, those designing and maintaining the simulations, and those overseeing the after-action review and analysis.	700,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Design of simulations for each individual training after consultation with the individual trainers for each law enforcement agency. Operation of the simulations and scenario based environments	100,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

13. Program Performance

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



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Significant improvement in policing skills including stress inoculation, threat assessment, bias-free policing, de-escalation, emotionally-disturbed-person engagements, tactical movement and active-assailant response. In turn, lives of both officers and the public at large are saved.

Decision Tactical's unique training environment puts LEOs in real-world settings – from mall shopping centers to dimly lit hallways. Threats can emerge from any angle, replicating the unpredictable nature of real-life encounters. Some screen characters are actually live actors, which forces real de-escalation training and compete immersion by the trainees. LEO shootings will decrease and innocent lives will be saved with their added skills and training.

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

Scenario-based training for LEOs at less than the cost of ammo. DTAC's engineers maintain and operate the hyper-efficient facility, allowing targeted repeatable training at a fraction of the time and cost. This means more training opportunities for officers on critical skills. Proprietary technology captures movement, concealment, communication, and every aspect of performance. Post-training reviews allow for in-depth analysis and precise corrections, maximizing the impact of each training session. Sessions are customized with the LEO trainers for each goal and objective that they have.

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

Training the LEOs receive will result in better public safety. The LEOs will have better training how to interact with different types of people and in stressful situations. LEOs will be better trained in de-escalation and develop stronger de-escalation skills, resulting in fewer incidents that require use of force. When use of force is required, LEOs will have utilized these skills in advance to hopefully enhance the likely safe outcome. LEO mental health will be strengthened as they get more support and training that they need to address these stressful and often life-threatening situations.

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

Law enforcement officers in Seminole, Orange, Volusia, Polk, Lake, Brevard, Marion, Sumter and Osceola counties are the target population for this project. 5,000 LEOs will be trained with these funds. The impacts on the communities they serve are exponential as every person and situation that a trained LEO encounters will have a better interaction and a better outcome. We will match state grant to maximize LEO enrollement.

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

The benefit of this project is to have better trained Law Enforcement Officers. We expect them to no only be peace keepers and enforce the law but also social workers and to have skills where most have not had proper training. This training will result in better outcomes with LEO interactions including an increase in incidents with successful de-escalation resolving the issue, reduced use of force, safer and more effective use of force when necessary, and an overall improved view of LEOs. In addition, LEOs will get the support they need, enhancing their mental health, and keeping more LEOs on the job instead of leaving due to the stress they are not trained to deal with. The outcome is measured by these reduced numbers after training.

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?

Clawback of unused funds. Required retraining of affected law enforcement officers.

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):



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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

c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)



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- 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.