



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2219

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

IMPACT is seeking funding to expand our Academy to serve the growing special-needs population in our region. Located in Leon County, we serve families from all surrounding counties including: Wakulla, Gadsden, Liberty, Gulf, Calhoun, Bay, Jefferson, Taylor, Madison, Lafayette, & Hamilton. Our Academy is at capacity, serving students ranging from K-22, and we are often forced to turn away families in need. With this funding, we plan to add two additional classrooms, construct a playground to offer additional therapeutic services, and construct an Activities for Daily Living (ADL) room to teach students important life skills.

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	940,000
Total State Funds Requested	940,000

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)	940,000	79%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	250,000	21%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	1,190,000	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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

July 1, 2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/30/2026

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

If additional funding is required, funds would be provided through private donations & community stakeholders participating in our fund-raising events. This support from our community allows us to provide the funding listed in the "other" funds section of question 7.

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.

IMPACT Foundation of Tallahassee, Inc. The owner is the landlord to the entity (as lessee).

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	Renovate/expand the existing academy facilities to increase the number served from 58 students to 80 students, construct a playground for additional therapeutic services, and construct an Activities for Daily Living (ADL) room to teach important life skills to students.	940,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		940,000

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?

With this funding, we will be able to offer physical, occupational, speech, and applied behavior analysis therapy services to even more families, while increasing our Academy enrollment from 58 to 80 students. The needed expansion will also benefit our after-school programs and summer camps. The playground construction will provide for new alternative therapy programs to further engage our students while improving their mental & physical health. Additionally, the playground equipment will be designed so that students with physical limitations can engage alongside their peers. The ADL room will provide invaluable life skills so that students can be successful once they have graduated from our Academy.

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

An increase in educational opportunities with the addition of more specialized classrooms and ancillary space that will provide enhanced learning environments and smaller classroom sizes for individualized attention. Our individualized physical, occupational, speech and applied behavior analysis therapy services will be expanded with this funding to provide the best possible outcomes for each family. Funding will also allow expansion to our after-school programs as well providing more summer camp opportunities for our growing community.

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

Developmentally and physically disabled youth from the ages of 6 weeks to 22 years of age. Persons with poor mental and physical health including preschool, grade, and high school students. IMPACT also serves young adults who are post high-school in our transition program up to 22 years of age. IMPACT projects to provide more than 50,000 total hours of therapies to 550+ families in 2025 alone. The demand for our services continues to increase each year.

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

IMPACT will be able to serve a broader population of families improving their physical & mental health, provide career readiness for students after graduation, provide job opportunities as we hire more staff to work with the increased Academy population and assist with the diversion from criminal activities. The methodology to measure these benefits includes baseline standard periodic testing, school & therapeutic assessment tracking, workforce training assessment tool, career placement following graduation, tracking of independent living skills, and direct correlation of after-school programs reducing juvenile crime published by the Leon County Child Services Council.

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?

Standard contract 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?



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- 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)
- Local Entity



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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.