



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2683

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This project proposes to equip South Walton High School with up-to-date equipment in a new school wing which will focus on Career Academies, specifically in the medical and culinary fields. These pathways will provide hands-on, rigorous career and technical education (CTE) where students earn industry certifications and prepare for the growing, ever-changing workforce.

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	8%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	12,000,000	92%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	13,000,000	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.

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
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	Medical and culinary equipment will be purchased, such as medical beds with simulation stations, commercial grade convection ovens, exhaust hoods and fire suppression, commercial dishwashers, walk-in cooler, walk in-freezer, etc.	1,000,000
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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b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?



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These programs offer a sequence of courses that provide coherent and rigorous content aligned with challenging academic standards and relevant technical knowledge and skills needed to prepare for further education and career in both medical and culinary career clusters.

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

The content includes but is not limited to instruction in career and technical education; employable skills; mathematics; basic science; communication; and human-relation skills.

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

The target population includes students at South Walton High School. 800+ students are projected to be served by these career technical education pathways over a several year period.

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

Double certification offerings for both medical and culinary
 50% increase in certifications for students
 3% increase in graduation rate of CTE students versus non-CTE students
 5% increase in post-secondary attendance of CTE students versus non-CTE students

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?

Proposed penalties for failure to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract include withholding of funds and liquidation of damages.

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)?



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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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