



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2944

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

North Florida College plans to transform an unused athletic field into additional lab space to expand workforce education opportunities for students from Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee, and Taylor counties. This project will allow the College to increase instructional lab space for high skills, high-wage workforce programs, such as, Electricians (Electronics), Diesel Mechanics, and CNC Production. North Florida College would work to maximize utilization of the space by offering courses during the day, night, and weekends, where available.

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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,000,000

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)	3,000,000	75%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,000,000	25%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	4,000,000	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



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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? 10/01/2025

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?

Existing recurring state operating funds for the College as well as student tuition and fees.

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.

North Florida College - Board of Trustees. The building will be placed on the main campus of North Florida College in Madison, FL.

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	North Florida College will transform an unused athletic field to construct a facility that will provide necessary space to provide high-skills, high-wage workforce education programs in the College's service district, which includes Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee, and Taylor counties.	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

Addition of a facility that will provide necessary space to offer high-demand workforce education programs in North Florida College's service district, which includes Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee, and Taylor counties.

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



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Construction of a facility allowing for high-skills, high-wage workforce programs such as electrician, diesel mechanic, and CNC production.

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

Education/Workforce Education

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

Citizens in North Florida College's six-county service area - Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee, and Taylor counties - are the target population. Approximately 50-100 students during each semester will be served.

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

This Legislative Appropriation will allow North Florida College to significantly expand high-skills, high-demand workforce program offerings for many years into the future. The building will be designed for programmatic flexibility in mind. This will allow the College to use the lab spaces for multiple workforce education programs. North Florida College will track graduates and students that complete to ensure the students are employed in related job fields.

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?

Funds spent inappropriately would be requested to be repaid to the State.

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):

Hurricanes Idalia, Debby, and Helene

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



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- Yes, Received
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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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