



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3411

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Operation MVP: Establish a Military Veteran Educator and Edupreneur National Training Center along Space & Treasure Coast of Florida, create a minimum of 33 basically trained MVP (Military Veteran Professional) Educators and Edupreneurs per year with full-time employment in education with their money, vitality, & professional life. Establish 2 transitional housing sites feeding New College of Florida, Eastern Florida State College (EFSC) & Indian River Community College (IRSC) W/Marines from US Naval Community College to serve surrounding communities. Establish Up to 16 Teaching and Mentor positions to train educators, 120 veteran substitute teachers & 165 veteran guest speakers.

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	662,038
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	662,038

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)	662,038	79%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	178,200	21%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	840,238	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.**

Foundations, Event Sponsors, Memberships, Placement Fees from districts, charter, or private higher educational institutions.



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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		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Government and College Relationship Management.	12,000
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	Chief Programs Officer 97,000; Program Assistant- Green Patrol 27,014.	124,014
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	175,369 Basic training for 33 Veterans Including travel, curriculum, college visits, job interviews and guest teaching, Sexual Predator Screening Drug Testing / Raptor Local Records, TPI / Classroom Mgt training, Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University, BRIGHT MINDS Dr Amen, Crucial Conversations, Purpose Driven Life, Science of Strategy, 3-month Transitional Housing 93,662.	269,031
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Superintendent of Instructional Leadership 97,000, Chief Medical Officer- Vitality 50,000, Marine Mentors 75,000, Director of Placement and College Coordination \$34,993.	256,993
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		662,038

13. Program Performance

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



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Screening of military veterans for safety and aptitude to become educators. Basic training in personal finance, health and safety and competence as a guest lecturer, substitute teacher, full time educator or founder of a microschool. 33 educators, 120 substitute teachers, 165 guest lecturers. 2 transitional houses near colleges.

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

Sexual Safety Screening assessment, drug testing, guest speaker academy, substitute teacher academy, Edu-preneur academy and mentoring. Mentoring in transition by a now retired SgtMaj USMC. Dave Ramsey Finance Coaching, Dr. Amen Brain Health Coaching courses, resume and interviewing coaching. Facilitating college visits and employment interviews with districts, charter, and private schools.

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

All the same in item 13b plus "Green Patrol" litter clean-ups in environmentally sensitive areas and near water sources. Our participants engage with communities to "have a blast keeping Florida clean, green, and pristine" through litter removal patrols.

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

33 Military veterans (primarily Marines), 120 military veterans to join our substitute teacher pool, 165 military veterans to become guest lecturers in educational settings.

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

Number of MVP educators created in 13d, plus the number of veteran/ scholar interactions Number of bags of litter removed from environmentally sensitive areas by the Green Patrol.

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?

Return of any unused funding.

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#:



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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
- 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



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b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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