



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3509

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This request is to revert the remaining balance of the the PACE Center for Girls -Citrus Building and reappropriate it for the Pace Center for Girls - Pasco Building. Each building was funded \$3.5 million in FY 2022-23.

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	3,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,500,000

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)	3,500,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	3,500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	0	3,500,000	1192A	No

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

10. Status of Construction



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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?

07/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2026

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

Continuing operations and maintenance will be funded from Pace Center for Girls' ongoing operations budget.

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.

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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	Funds will be used to build a 15,000 sq. ft. facility for the Pace Center and Reach Program to include a safe location for classrooms, counseling, a Reach office, and other school safety features.	3,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,500,000

13. Program Performance

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

The new building will be used for the Pace Center and Reach Program in Pasco County that operates 250 days per year and serves girls at risk of juvenile justice system involvement in FY 22-23. Currently Pace Pasco and the Reach Program are operated out of rented building, and intended as a temporary location. The new facility will include a safe location for classrooms, counseling, a Reach office and other school safety features. The goal of the Pace program is for all girls to lead productive, engaged and fulfilling lives.

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



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The building will be used to serve approximately 150 girls annually who are at risk of juvenile justice system involvement. Girls receive wrap around social services such as therapy, counseling and life skills. Girls in the Pace Center also receive their full academic school day. Services are provided in a trauma-informed, gender-responsive and strength-based environment.

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

The building will house a Pace Center and central operations for Pace Reach, providing comprehensive wrap around social services and the full academic school day to approximately 85 girls at risk of delinquency through our Pace Center and comprehensive wrap around social services to an additional 65 girls annually through Pace Reach. Case management for the girl's family is also provided to ensure a stable home environment.

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

Pace will serve approximately 150 middle and high school age girls at risk for juvenile justice system involvement and dropping out of school. The girls' families benefit from Pace both indirectly and through family engagement, home visits and counseling. The general public also benefits through increased public safety.

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

Funding will provide a safe space for Pace girls to receive comprehensive wrap around social services and their full academic school day. Short term outcomes for girls include 1) maintaining attendance and advancing grade levels 2) demonstrated increase in self-efficacy and pro-social coping skills; and 3) reduction in risky behaviors. Long term outcomes include 1) high school graduation and enrollment in post-secondary education or the workforce; 2) obtaining employment; 3) no involvement in the criminal justice system; and 4) decreased economic dependency. Pace Center utilizes a combination of output data and outcome data to measure outcomes.

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?

All Pace contracts with DJJ outline penalties for failing to meet deliverables. DJJ may reduce payments to Pace if sufficient evidence shows that deliverables were not met.

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#:



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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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