



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3510

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This project will use five separate and distinct non profit organizations to provide hands on face to face mentoring for 125-150 high school age students in grades 9-12 and introduce the students to high wage careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

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	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250,000	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	250,000	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

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)?

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	The executive director will manage the grant funds, manage the grant, create and form partnerships with non profit groups to begin, enhance and complement mentoring programs and organizations that provide mentoring service to high school students. In addition, the executive director will solicit and secure additional funding to match and complement the funding received from the State of Florida.	45,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Administration Assistant will provide direct assistance to the executive director of the program, and interface with the partners that are helping to provide mentoring services to the high school students. The administration assistant will assist with data collection, reporting and reports and training of mentors.	30,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Three laptops, three printers, large screen high definition television for presentations and training, travel to local and in state conferences, office supplies including paper, pens and pencils, markers, printer ink, copying and reproduction of training materials and documents needed for mentoring sessions.	5,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Funds will be used to contract with non profit groups to complement mentoring services that will be provided to more than 150-200 high school age students that will be mentored by the program, local field trips and transportation to and from field trips, and stipends for guest speakers and experts that will help plan, coordinate and conduct mentoring programs, provide mentoring services to 150-200 high schoolers participating in program.	170,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		



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Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		250,000

13. Program Performance

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

The funds will be used to provide mentoring and programmatic services to high school teens, grades 9-11, mentoring services, and introduction to professionals in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math areas, and to expose, introduce and make high school teens aware of career opportunities in Technology, Science, Engineering, Vocational Careers and the United States Military.

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

Mentoring and life coaching skills and services will be provided to 150-200 high school age teens, including field trips, personal contact and mentoring by S.T.E.M. professionals and seminars, workshops and presentations that introduce and make the high school teens aware of the plethora of careers in the S.T.E.M. workplace via college, vo-tech schools, apprenticeships and United States Military.

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

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

The target population to be served by this project are high school students in grades 9-12 and between 125 - 150 high school students will be mentored by five mentoring programs that are non profit organizations

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

125 - 150 students will be mentored and exposed to a multitude and plethora of careers in S.T.E.M. through bi-weekly workshops, field trips and exposure to stem careers and stem professionals.

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 unused and unspent funds. There should be no penalties if the deliverables or performance measures can be documented.

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



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- 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
 - University or College



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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.