



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1117

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Medical Laboratory Technology has been identified as program of strategic emphasis, and CareerSource Central Florida projects a job growth rate for this field of over 15% through 2030. Seminole State College is requesting PECO funding to remodel existing instructional space in its main campus building into a vocational lab suitable to provide instruction for this new program. This remodel would include new building infrastructure necessary for lab work and specialized furniture, fixtures, and equipment.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

| Type of Funding | Amount |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Operations | 0 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 102,792 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 102,792 |

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)**

| Type of Funding | Amount | Percentage |
|--|----------------|-------------|
| Total State Funds Requested (from question #6) | 102,792 | 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 2024-2025 | 102,792 | 100% |

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

| Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy) | Amount | | Specific Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| | Recurring | Nonrecurring | | |
| | | | | |

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** Yes

a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**

b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**

We expect to request non-recurring state funding of \$1,257,810 in FY 2025-26. No local funds are available for this purpose.

10. **Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?**



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Yes

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

The College has received COVID-19 relief \$, but not for the purpose of facility construction or remodel. The money was for student financial aid, tuition refunds/waivers, tech and software \$ and replacement of lost revenues. Some was used for emergency facility repairs.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. 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?

12. 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.

As Seminole State is a public institution of higher learning, the owner will be the people of Florida.

13. 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: Other | | |
| 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 | This is Year 1 funding for this project to be used for planning, design, etc. | 102,792 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 102,792 |

14. Program Performance

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



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Medical Laboratory Technology has been identified as program of strategic emphasis, and CareerSource Central Florida projects a job growth rate for this field of over 15% through 2030. The need for this program has been confirmed by healthcare partners. The project will also increase access to a microbiology lab for prerequisites. This remodel would include new building infrastructure necessary for lab work and specialized furniture, fixtures and equipment.

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

This lab will support increased capacity of Seminole State's allied health programs, including nursing, thereby helping to fill critical gaps in regional and statewide workforce needs, particularly nursing and allied health fields. By producing graduates to meet workforce needs in healthcare and increasing the number of providers, citizens will gain better access to quality and affordable health care.

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

Construction will provide new jobs and supports regional economic development. The new lab will be used for training citizens for high-demand, high-skill, high-wage jobs in healthcare and other STEM occupations. According to Career Source Central Florida data, the mean hourly wage in these occupations range from \$28.88 to \$63.19 per hour. With the new building, we expect to double the number of students we serve on this campus (-4,500to ~9,000). The project also increases access to healthcare services through increased workforce.

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

Citizens and students seeking training and/or credentials for high-demand, high-skill and high-wage employment. We expect to serve at least 50-100 people per year in these programs through this facility.

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

This new lab space will help create a new med / tech program and provide a microbiology lab at the Altamonte campus. Current students must travel to the main campus to use such a lab. This will in turn increase regional access to healthcare service due to increases in skilled providers.

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 the contract?

Seminole State College has standard performance clauses in all of its contracts which ensure that work will be completed in accordance with the work plan, time frame, and list of deliverables, including provisions relating to the payment and withholding of funds as necessary. It is not anticipated that additional penalties will be needed. Deliverables will include the total remodeling of this unused automotive dealership building.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)



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- 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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number