



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3165

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Ground breaking research studies conducted by Andrews Research & Education Foundation ("Andrews Research") at the Andrews Institute are aimed at developing regenerative medicine as a treatment in orthopedics. By advancing medicine through research, Andrews Institute will continue as an industry leader in biomedical science throughout the State of Florida and the U.S. Under the leadership of world-renowned orthopedic surgeon, Dr. James Andrews, Andrews Research is on the cutting edge of innovation. Our research attracts the highest level of talent and acts as an economic engine to our region, helping people stay healthier, happier, and more productive.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	3,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>3,000,000</b>

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)	3,000,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>3,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	2,500,000	458	No

9. Is future 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.

N/A

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



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

Total Payroll Protection Program Loans - \$407,615 (received full forgiveness)

## 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.

### 13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	A portion of multiple top-level Andrews Research leadership positions' salaries & benefits	177,800
Other Salary and Benefits	A portion of multiple Andrews Research administrative support positions' salaries & benefits	42,328
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Office equipment, supplies, and other administrative expenses to support Andrews Research	193,300
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	A portion of multiple Andrews Research research team members' salaries & benefits	860,229
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Medical supplies and equipment used in Andrews Research studies including the latest technology and medicine in orthopaedics and regenerative medicine, study patient visit and treatment expenses, and training & education for Andrews Research team members to stay up to date on the most recent developments in medicine.	1,546,643
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	World class research consultants to share knowledge on highly specialized topics with the Andrews Research team to aid in conducting ground breaking research studies and providing the highest level of care for patients.	179,700
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>3,000,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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



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The goal of the project is to lead the state and nation in research and development of regenerative orthopedic therapies and educate the citizens of Florida on the prevention and treatment of orthopedic injuries. We aim to leave a global footprint in Florida by developing innovative rehabilitation techniques that expedite the healing process and reduce the need for opioid usage while providing increased access to treatment options for all Florida citizens. The ultimate goal of regenerative medicine is to find a way to treat previously untreatable injuries and diseases.

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

The Andrews Research & Education Foundation will complete clinical research investigations to address unmet clinical needs of the Florida people to investigate the efficacy and safety of orthopedic interventions, to investigate alternative treatment methods, and to educate the people of Florida on additional options for treatment and prevention of orthopedic injuries.

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

Successful research & development will result in cutting edge therapies and joint regeneration as well as improving the quality of life for orthopedic patients. Community educational events will aid in the prevention of orthopedic health related ailments for all Floridians.

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

The general population will benefit from the results of this project. Individuals who have limited access to traditional medical methods or those whose last resort is an invasive surgical procedure.

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

Innovative orthopedic interventions that expedite the bodies' own healing processes will be investigated through clinical trials. The safety and efficacy of the inventive orthopedic interventions will be analyzed. With the new orthopedic interventions, the citizens of Florida will have additional treatment options to alleviate orthopedic conditions contributing to a reduced need for opioid usage and new solutions to obtain optimal quality of life. The research findings will be made available to the citizens of Florida to ensure they have access to the knowledge and interventions needed to maintain optimal health.

**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?**

If deliverables or performance measures are not met, suggested penalties would be a % decrease in final payment.

**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**