



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1860

- 1. Project Title**
- 2. Senate Sponsor**
- 3. Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

This project renovates and remodels SF's James L. Wattenbarger Student Services Building (Building S). Continued development of student services areas will increase student engagement, guarantee access to resources, promote opportunities for student success, and foster collaborative networks while creating operational and programmatic efficiency through improved space utilization. Access to resources will support retention efforts for Pell Grant recipients, first generation college students, nontraditional students, prospective 2+2 students and students from low-income families. Core support functions - Student Life, Disability Resource Center, Counseling Center, TRIO programs and other offices that directly impact student retention, enrollment, well-being, and engagement will be co-located within the facility. Student groups and activities that are also core to the college's mission will also be relocated to bolster these programs and create synergy with other divisions.

- 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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	5,980,000
Total State Funds Requested	5,980,000

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)	5,980,000	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 2024-2025	5,980,000	100%

- 8. Has this project previously received state funding?**

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

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

Yes

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

SF received \$52.2 million in federal assistance, including \$21.7 million directly for student relief and \$30.5 million for institutional support. SF has expended all of the institutional support it received to cover lost revenue due to the pandemic, including personnel costs, technology, equipment, materials and supplies and indirect cost recovery.

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.

Santa Fe College will own and operate the facility.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Other Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	N/A	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	N/A	0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	N/A	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	N/A	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Renovate and remodel the James L. Wattenbarger Student Services Building (Building S) to better serve the student population. Improvements will support student engagement and retention, guarantee access to resources, promote opportunities for student success, and foster a collaborative network while creating operational and programmatic efficiency through improved space utilization.	5,980,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,980,000



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14. Program Performance

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

To co-locate and integrate student services and support into one building at primary campus point of entry to provide a more welcoming and accessible center for current, new and prospective students. Proximity to registration, financial and other support functions improve continuity of service and enhances SF's ability to deliver those services. Student activities and organizations will also benefit by increased collaboration and integration of opportunities through shared spaces.

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

Improved operational use to better serve current and developing student support needs. Reconfiguration will improve the quality of the spaces and increase their utility. Consolidation of student support services and student activities from current distributed locations will increase activity. Consolidated support from enrollment through graduation and outreach will enhance the college's service to the area.

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

Services will include student life, student government, civic engagement, disabilities resource center, counseling and wellness center, food pantry, financial wellness center, programs for first-generation, low-income students, and a student engagement center for clubs, organizations, groups and individuals.

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

Santa Fe College's student population. Approximately 13,500 students per year will be served.

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

This project will increase student engagement, guarantee access to resources, promote opportunities for student success, and foster a collaborative network while creating operational and programmatic efficiency through improved space utilization. Improved access to resources will support retention efforts for Pell Grant recipients, first generation college students, nontraditional students, prospective "2+2" students, and students from low-income families. Outcomes will be measured by tracking the number of visits to the facility (by program area) and measuring persistence rates of those using the center versus those who do not.

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?

Revert appropriated funding back to the state.

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



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- 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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number