



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2914

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

This project is to remodel existing and add additional space to one of the college's original buildings, the Asbell Business Building, to create a state-of-the-art nursing simulation lab. The legislature funded a portion of the project in the 2022-23 session, but additional funding is required to complete the project. When complete, the project will allow the college to double the size of its nursing program and will allow other health sciences programs to expand in the existing Tapper Health Sciences Building to meet the healthcare needs of the community.

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	12,811,774
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>12,811,774</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)	12,811,774	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>12,811,774</b>	<b>100%</b>

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

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	0	5,000,000	Section 197	No

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.**

None available.

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

Yes



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

Approximately \$17 million in COVID funds was received by the college. \$6.9 million went directly to students, and \$10.1 million was used by the college to provide upgrades and equipment to benefit students through increased remote learning opportunities in case of another event.

## 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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

January 1, 2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

June 30, 2027

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.

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### 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		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Includes base construction, architect and engineering fees, inspection services, testing and surveying, permitting, furniture and equipment.	12,811,774
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>12,811,774</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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

The goal of this project is to invest in an existing older facility to provide real-life type instruction mirroring the hospital environment to increase graduates and success rates for students that wish to enter the nursing field.

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



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Expansion of nursing, other healthcare, and related natural sciences programs such as anatomy and physiology will allow for additional student educational opportunities for high school graduates as well as returning students and will aid in providing needed and trained graduates to the healthcare providers and patients in the service district.

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

Easier access to healthcare services will be available to citizens as a result of this project. Over the next 10 years, the college expects to train an additional 900 healthcare workers for the community.

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

All recent high school graduates and any others that might be searching for a new career or wishing to update existing skills are the primary target population.

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

The expected benefit is the graduation of double the number of trained nurses trained to address the current shortfall in the service district, resulting in improved accessibility to healthcare services for the community.

**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?**

Return of funds.

**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)
- 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



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#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

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