



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3703

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

The University of South Florida's College of Behavioral and Community Sciences (CBCS) will establish curriculum as part of a "Leadership in Crisis Recognition and Intervention" (or a similar name TBD) graduate certificate for law enforcement, and especially leadership and commanding officers within law enforcement, to develop and enhance skills in psychological trauma and resilience, mental health awareness and effective interventions, and leadership skills. USF is partnering with the Office of Attorney General Ashley Moody to develop this multiple course graduate certificate which will address some of the most significant issues facing law enforcement leadership with respect to mental health of officers themselves and the public they encounter while performing their duties. Funds provided would pay for the startup and administrative costs for USF-CBCS and the full tuition and fees for LEOs to enroll in the program once launched.

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	2,500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>2,500,000</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)	2,500,000	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>2,500,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.**

Philanthropic 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.

USF has received institutional COVID-19 assistance funding from the federal government but the funds we received did not allow for the payment of the ongoing operational expenses of administering this graduate certificate.

## 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	Salary and stipends for full time faculty (4 courses a year) and academic program specialists and advisors to oversee and manage the certificate program and interact with the LEO students who enroll.	275,000
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	Cost to cover the full tuition and fees of > 250 law enforcement officers who are expected to enroll. Costs internal to USF that are associated with technical support to establish online, asynchronous delivery of program, marketing costs, ongoing administrative and academic expenses related to operating the program.	2,225,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<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>2,500,000</b>



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#### 14. Program Performance

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

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

Course instruction in four core graduate level courses (twelve credit hours) for law enforcement officers to improve leadership skills and specialized trainings. The funds will cover the tuition and fees for each enrolled officer to complete the graduate certificate free of charge to the LEO or their agency until the funds dedicated to scholarships are exhausted.

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

Course instruction to law enforcement officers at USF in leadership and other skill areas.

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

Law enforcement officers. > 250 officers annually 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?**

Advanced skills and training for law enforcement officers in graduate level classes that include criminal justice administration, principles of working with various drug using populations and multidimensional assessment methods, treatment setting, modalities and clinical practices and issues of psychological trauma, evidence-based practices, and post traumatic growth and resilience.

**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?**

Reductions in funding for unmet deliverables.

#### 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**