



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Marion Technical College: Rebuilding Heroes - Veteran's Retraining

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Dennis Baxley

3. **Date of Submission:** 11/01/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Provide high quality, relevant training in the construction field, focusing on unemployed and under employed local veterans of the armed services and their immediate family members. Based on the 2015 U.S. Census, over 3,000 veterans residing in Marion County are not in the workforce. The data does not include their families. The local need for employees in construction is growing, but the pool of qualified applicants is not meeting demand.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** No

a. If yes, which state agency?

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?
Department of Education

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
440,000		440,000

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	0	0.0 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 440,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional)

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?



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- d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
e. Complete the following Worksheet.

FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:			

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No

11. Program Performance:

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

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

The funds will be used to develop a construction-based program that addresses local training needs of the construction industry while providing veterans and/or their immediate family members, with skills that meet the demands of the local construction industry.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		



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<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits	Full-time Carpentry/Construction Instruction Full-time Guidance Counselor	140,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Equipment and consumable supplies needed for carpentry, plumbing, heating ventilation, and air conditioning, masonry. And travel expenses for instructor training and off-site class projects.	300,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		440,000

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Citizens of Marion County will receive both academic and industry-specific training provided by Marion Technical College in conjunction with Marion Technical Institute. The training is unique in that the students receive hands-on training to ensure they have the knowledge required by the industry's demanding skill set.

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

Veterans who are jobless, economically disadvantaged, at risk-youth, homeless, high school students.

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

Improve quality of education - Each student will successfully complete the Construction Training Program.
Increase or improve economic activity - Increase number of available construction employees, enhance specific individual's economic self-sufficiency - students successfully procure employment in the construction field.

g. 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 in the contract?



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Marion Technical College is credentialed by Council on Occupational Education (COE). MTC is required to conduct annual student follow-ups upon completion of a program. The follow up process requires MTC maintain a minimum 60% program completion rate, 70% program job placement rate, and a 70% Licensure/Certification rate. Failure in any area places program on probation and a program improvement plan is required. If no improvement occurs in year two, the program is triggered for one year.

- 12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.**

N/A

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- a. **Organization:** School Board of Marion County
- b. **County:** Marion
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - ☐ For Profit
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - ☐ Local Entity
 - ☐ University or College
 - ☒ Other (Please specify) Technical College
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- 15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.**

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