



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Next Generation Agricultural Education Student

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Denise Grimsley

3. **Date of Submission:** 12/19/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Preparing the next generation of agricultural leaders by expanding the delivery of FFA programming to reach every student enrolled in agricultural education in Florida.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** Yes

a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Education

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

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
1,000,000	250,000	1,250,000

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):** 1,250,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional) 1

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2017-18

d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? Yes

e. Complete the following Worksheet.



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<b>FY:</b>	<b>Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18</b> (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
<b>Column:</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>Funds Description:</b>	<b>Prior Year Recurring Funds *</b>	<b>Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *</b>	<b>Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)</b>
<b>Input Amounts:</b>		<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>

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

Yes

**a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year.**

1,250,000

**11. Program Performance:**

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

These funds will expand the delivery of FFA programs from 18,000 students to nearly 60,000 students in Florida. Each student enrolled in agricultural education in middle and high school will become an affiliated member at the local, state and national level.

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

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership personal growth and career success through agricultural education. FFA staff work to ensure that leadership and career development opportunities are made available for all students. Likewise, FFA staff works with business and industry partners to ensure that each of our events and activities remain rigorous and relevant to the industry and provide the skills necessary to prepare students to be successful in the industry of agriculture.

**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 type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	\$650,000 will be used to extend FFA affiliation and opportunities to every student enrolled in agricultural education in Florida. \$350,000 will be used to enhance the delivery of premier leadership, personal growth and career success opportunities	1,000,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	\$250,00 to upgrade and enhance FFA Leadership Training Center; including technology upgrades and ongoing maintenance.	250,000
TOTAL		1,250,000

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

Of the requested funds, approximately \$650,000 would be used to expand membership affiliation to nearly 60,000 students enrolled in agriculture education. This would be a significant increase from the 18,000 FFA members that are currently served in Florida. As recognized by Federal Law (Public Law 105-225), FFA is an intra-curricular program that is designed to prepare young people in the areas of premier leadership, personal growth and career success, through agricultural education. These funds would ensure that FFA programs and opportunities are available to every student enrolled in agricultural education, including those in underserved populations who would not otherwise be able to join the organization. \$350,000 would be used to enhance the delivery of FFA programming, ensuring that each program is both rigorous and relevant to the agriculture industry. Better technology at the training center.

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

Nearly 60,000 students enrolled in Agriculture Education in Florida's middle and high schools.



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

FFA program delivery will increase from 18,000 students to nearly 60,000 students annually. FFA staff will be better equipped and mobilized to support teachers and an increase number of students regarding FFA programming. Enhancements will be made to the FFA Leadership Training Center to better accommodate a growing number of agricultural youth that utilize the facility for leadership and career success training.

**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?**

FFA chapters should be evaluated on quality, as indicated by the FFA Quality Chapter Plan.

**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.**

Florida FFA Association is the recipient and owner of the Training Center.

**13. Requestor Contact Information:**

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- b. **Organization:** Florida FFA Association
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- d. **Phone Number:** (352)303-7314

**14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** Florida FFA Association
- b. **County:** Statewide
- c. **Organization Type:**
  - For Profit
  - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
  - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
  - Local Entity
  - University or College
  - Other (Please specify)
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**15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.**

- a. **Name:** None
- b. **Firm:** None
- c. **Email:**
- d. **Phone Number:**