



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1506

1. **Title of Project:** Pasco County Events Center

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Wilton Simpson

3. **Date of Submission:** 01/30/2019

4. **Project/Program Description:**

A joint venture between the Pasco County Board of County Commissioners and the District School Board of Pasco County to construct a multi-use event center as part of the school complex that would be open for regional and county events. The facility would also be used to provide opportunities for students to learn and develop the skills to manage a large event center.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds :** Department of Economic Opportunity

State Agency Contacted? No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,000,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	3,000,000	85.71%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	500,000	14.29%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	3,500,000	100.0%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

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

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

a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year. \$10,600,000

10. **Details on how the requested state funds will be expended**

Spending Category	Description	Amount
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Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The \$3,000,000 requested for 19/20 will be used to hire the architects and construction management firm to begin development of the design and construction parameters for the project.	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

11. Program Performance:

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

The funds will be utilized to stimulate economic development in a quickly growing region of Pasco County with access via a major highway (I-75) and to provide the Tampa Bay Region with a large scale, multi-purpose event center.

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

The event center will provide for events ranging from high school and college graduation ceremonies, concerts, trade shows, and athletic events. It will be built and utilized to accommodate almost any event requiring a large venue.

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

Citizens will benefit from the center in that it will be located in an area easily accessed by the Tampa Bay community, providing space for both cultural and business related events.

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

The Tampa Bay region.

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

Completion of the construction of the facility.

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 in the contract?

Failure to meet the deliverables would result in all state funds being returned.



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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.

Pasco County would own the facility and contract with a managing entity to handle day-to-day operations.

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14. Recipient Contact Information:

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- 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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