



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1969

1. Title of Project: Edward W. Bok Academy Hurricane Relief Initiative

2. Senate Sponsor: Ben Albritton

3. Date of Submission: 02/06/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

Last year Bok Academy Middle School (a High Performing Charter School) in Polk County with negatively impacted by Hurricane Irma. One building on the campus was completely destroyed and a second building received significant damage requiring a roof replacement. Proceeds from the insurance claim will cover a portion of the cost for restoring the campus. Unfortunately there is a significant shortfall of funds needed to completely restore the school's campus. The requested funds will cover the deficit in funds needed to restore the campus including the cost of the roof replacement for the Academic building (the original plan was to try to repair the roof but the damage was too extensive).

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Education

State Agency Contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	63,960
Fixed Capital Outlay	726,040
Total State Funds Requested	790,000

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)	790,000	26.60%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	1,200,000	40.40%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	980,208	33.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	2,970,208	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		
2018-19		1,200,000	28B and section 99	No

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No

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



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Spending Category	Description	Amount
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	Portable Expense and Rentals	63,960
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Architect and Construction Management, Construction/Renovation Expenses, Supplies and Furnishings	726,040
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		790,000

11. Program Performance:

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

The funding provided by this request will enable the Bok Academy Middle School campus, that was significantly damaged by hurricane Irma last year, to be completely restored.

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

The funds will make up the deficit (from the original construction estimate) in funds needed to complete the restoration of the school campus. In addition, some of the funds will be used to replace furniture for the construction.

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

Bok Academy Middle School serves more than 600 students in grades 6-8. The funds will allow for the school campus to be restored thus enabling the students and the school community to enjoy the normal academic and extra-curricular school functions that are provided by the school.

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

Bok Academy Middle School serves students in grades 6-8.

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

From a student/family culture and safety standpoint, the restoration of the school facility will allow the student and their teachers to return to a sense of normalcy. The unfortunate circumstance caused hurricane Irma was quite disruptive. The most significant measures that we will use to assess the benefit of the project will be the following: * Student School Attendance Records * Student Climate Surveys * Parent Climate Surveys

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard



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penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?

The most significant penalty that the contracting agency may consider is to suggest a list of recommended improvements to the process for receiving student/family feedback.

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.

Lake Wales Charter Schools Inc. will be the owner and Bok Academy Middle School in one of seven schools that comprise the Lake Wales Charter School system.

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14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** Lake Wales Charter Schools
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 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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