



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2640

1. **Title of Project:** Florida State College at Jacksonville STEM Center

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Audrey Gibson

3. **Date of Submission:** 03/20/2019

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Funding will remove the deteriorating 35 West State Street building and replace it with a cost-effective addition to 11 West State Street, creating a dynamic learning and community engaging science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) environment for students, faculty and local community. The PECO project is currently ranked #9 on the DOE's Florida College System PECO priorities list.

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

State Agency Contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	12,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	12,000,000

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)	12,000,000	100.00%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	0	0.00%
Other	0	0.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	12,000,000	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?** No

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		



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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	Demolish deteriorating warehouse facility and construct STEM Center on that site	12,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		12,000,000

11. Program Performance:

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

This will accommodate the space and growth needs for the College's STEM programs that focus on public (Department of Economic Opportunity analysis) and private sector-identified (major employers in the area) regional workforce needs. The facility will help the region meet its workforce targets and will help citizens in the community get connected with affordable degree and certificate programs that will lead to employment opportunities.

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

- The STEM Center creates a new pre-engineering track within our AA degree allowing for a direct pathway into university engineering programs
- Engineering technology, and logistics programs will now allow IT networking, cyber security, and digital forensics programs to grow in the existing space increasing our space utilization
- Development of capstone courses that combine students from engineering technology and logistics will emulate real-world supply chain management production process

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

Academic instruction and laboratory experiential learning opportunities in Northeast Florida high-demand workforce STEM fields

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

State college students and their families will directly benefit from this project, and employers will indirectly benefit through an increased capacity of the region to meet its workforce demand. Nearly 6,000 students annually will be able to receive instruction in this facility.

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

The expected benefits will be an increased capacity for the College to offer degrees in areas of specific workforce demand (can be measured by enrollment and graduation from these programs) as well as an increased ability of regional employers to fill vacant job openings (can be measured by analyzing trends in DEO workforce demand and placement data).



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- 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?**

None

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 State College at Jacksonville. Requesting entity is same as receiving entity.

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- a. **Organization:** Florida State College at Jacksonville
- b. **County:** Duval
- 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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