



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2337

1. **Project Title** 2. **Senate Sponsor** 3. **Date of Request** 4. **Project/Program Description**

The goal is to create a comprehensive, integrated vocational program that is tied to regional workforce demands. The program will provide access to rigorous curricula and high-quality work based learning opportunities to re-engage students, ages 15-24 and in grades 6-12 who have dropped out. A team of career readiness teachers will help students with workforce exploration and aid them with the mastery of life skills, professionalism and soft skills needed to be successful in the workplace. Once the student has completed the foundational career readiness and workforce module, they will enroll in one of our vocational academies. Vocational academy selection will be based on student interests, skills, and preparedness.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** State Agency contacted? ☒ Yes ☐ No6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	<input type="text" value="1,675,000"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input type="text" value="325,000"/>
Total State Funds Requested	<input type="text" value="2,000,000"/>

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	<input type="text" value="2000000"/>	<input type="text" value="100.0"/> %
Matching Funds		
Federal	<input type="text" value="00"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/> %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	<input type="text" value="00"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/> %
Local	<input type="text" value="00"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/> %
Other	<input type="text" value="00"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/> %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	<input type="text" value="2,000,000"/>	<input type="text" value="100"/> %

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

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** ☒ Yes ☐ NoIf yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Vocational Program Administration salary and benefits	110,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Career Readiness Supervisor and Vocational Academic Supervisor salaries and benefits	146,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Student Incentives	585,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Vocational Program Curriculum	59,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	3 career readiness instructors and 4 certified vocational program teachers	420,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Academy equipment	325,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Research/subject matter expert consultation	30,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Renovation for Academy	325,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,000,000



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11. Program Performance

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

The goal is to create a comprehensive, integrated vocational program that is tied to regional workforce demands. The program will provide access to rigorous curricula and high-quality work based learning opportunities to re-engage students. ages 15-24 and in grades 6-12 who have dropped out. A team of career readiness teachers will help students with workforce exploration and aid them the mastery of life skills, professionalism and soft skills needed to be ready for work. Vocational academy selection will be based on student interests, skills, and preparedness.

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

Through the use of vocational curricula, simulated work experiences, and research based instructional practices that promote engagement, the vocational teachers will drive home the hard skills needed for students to be successful in their chosen field and earn academy related certifications. Paid internships and youth apprenticeships allow for students to utilized and build on their classroom knowledge through practical, real-life experiences in the workplace. These work-based learning opportunities will further aid students prepare for academy certifications, earn credits needed for high school graduation and pave the road to reach their post-secondary goals.

- c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

Educational opportunities for at-risk students to obtain certification from a vocational program

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

Students must be ages 15-24 and over-aged for their grade level. Students must be in grades 6th-12th. Reading or Math deficiency of three or more levels below grade level based on baseline assessment. Student must have previously dropped out of high school. Program enrollment will be 75 students for the first year with a 25-student increase, each year, through year four for a total of 150 students years four and five.

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

Success is measured by each student that completes the vocational program and receives their certification.

- 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?

Reduction or elimination of funds if certification goals are not met.



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12. **The owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.**

Baycare is the owner of the facility. New Beginnings is currently a tenant in the property.

13. **Requestor Contact Information**

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. **Recipient Contact Information**

- a. Organization
- b. Municipality and County
- c. Organization Type
- ☐ For-profit Entity
 - ☒ Non-Profit 501(c) (3)
 - ☐ Non-Profit 501(c) (4)
 - ☐ Local Entity
 - ☐ University or College
 - ☐ Other (please specify)
- d. First Name Last Name
- e. E-mail Address
- f. Phone Number

15. **Lobbyist Contact Information**

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.