



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 3014

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

A memorial plaza will be constructed to welcome visitors to the Dale Mabry Army Airfield Museum at Tallahassee Community College where British, French, Chinese, and other pilots once trained alongside American Flyboys on the very site where the Community College sits today. The Airfield was a major military installation during WWII, training 8,000 – 10,000 fighter pilots including the famed all-black “Tuskegee Airmen.” The plaza will feature a grand display of Old Glory surrounded by flags of her WWII Allies; a circular drive with replicated airfield control point; an 800 square foot Welcome Center; and to-scale pathways spanning out in the configuration of the original airfield runways. The heritage of the time when Tallahassee was a military town and Florida's great contributions during mobilization and wartime will be on display in the Capital City for local, state, national, and international tourists.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?** No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	142,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	825,000
Total State Funds Requested	967,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	967,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	967,000	100%

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

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** No
- a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**

b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**

10. **Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?**



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List 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.

Tallahassee Community College (TCC) in partnership with Tallahassee's Dale Mabry Army Airfield Museum, Inc., (DMAAF) a non-profit organization are collaborating on the creation of an interactive educational museum complex honoring the former site of the Dale Mabry Army Airfield during WWII. TCC's Appleyard Drive campus is situated on the former army airfield, which was established on Jan. 24, 1941. TCC has set aside 5 acres of land off of Prospect Drive as the future site for the museum.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Grant oversight, invoice collection and reporting, outside bid oversight	35,000
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Expenses related to artifact digitization and indexing; web updates and additions; new hardware and software; exhibition design fabrication and installation, care of collection, and photography; exhibit installation and deinstallation fees; exhibit loan fees paid toward borrowed exhibits; freight fees paid for transportation of exhibits on loan.	11,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Conservation, care, and photography of objects and artifacts, web hosting, support, software and redesign for online exhibitions and updates; cyber security, exhibition installation, and deinstallation; advertising/marketing, grant writing, research, speakers including WWII survivors, liberators, and subject matter experts.	24,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Salaries are used for program implementation for staff who are digitizing and indexing objects, videotaping oral histories, and artifacts from WWII; digitization and creation of web-based exhibitions and interactives; conservation and preservation of artifacts; staff creation of new exhibitions, and partnerships with outside organizations to create new exhibits.	55,000



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Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Conservation, proper care and handling of WWII artifacts and exhibits; installation and deinstallation; advertising/marketing; grant writing, research, speakers and WWII survivors.	17,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construction of the above project.	825,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		967,000

14. Program Performance

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

Primary Goal: To construct an interactive museum and educational complex in partnership with Tallahassee Community College, where visitors can be transported back to the 1940s when Tallahassee was a military town. The over-arching purpose of the museum is to preserve and share Tallahassee's unique, rich military history and support collaboration between and among all Tallahassee museums to make Tallahassee an important tourist destination for those interested in military history and tradition. The story of Tallahassee's Dale Mabry Army Airfield is a watershed moment in local and American history of World War II—as well as the story of the “Greatest Generation.”

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

DMAAF is a non-profit, 501(C)3 organization with a vision to create a museum complex where people leave inspired and changed by what they see and experience. The museum will provide an immersive experience through displays and programming that will bring history alive and inspire the imaginations of younger generations in the areas of aviation, science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).

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

Citizens will be able to visit museum.

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

Citizens and visitors of Tallahassee.

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

Citizens and visitors will experience an interactive educational museum complex honoring the former site of the Dale Mabry Army Airfield during WWII.

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 the contract?

Return funds.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization



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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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number