



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Joint Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Jeff Brandes

3. **Date of Submission:** 01/12/2018

4. **Project/Program Description:**

A total of \$250,000 is requested for developing a design concept and architectural renderings for a new building at the University of South Florida-St. Petersburg campus to be called the Joint Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies. The concept for this building design is a focus on regional ecosystem studies with special emphasis on the Gulf of Mexico Large Marine Ecosystem (GoM-LME). The Gulf supplies over 90% of offshore oil and gas to the nation and 40% of the seafood supply caught off the continental USA. It is home to millions of residents and is a tourist destination for countless visitors. The GoM is a vital and strategic waterway for the region and the nation, yet its productivity is threatened by coastal development, commercial and recreational fisheries, sea level rise, environmental contamination (e.g., oil spills) and catastrophic weather-related events, among other factors.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** No

a. If yes, which state agency?

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested? Board of Governors

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
	250,000	250,000

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	0	0.0 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 250,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**



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- Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
- In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional)
- What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- Complete the following Worksheet.

FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
	Column:	A	B
Funds Description:		Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *
Input Amounts:			

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

Yes

- If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year.

Yes, construction funding to be determined by the scope and specifics of the architectural review.

11. Program Performance:

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

A total of \$250,000 is requested for developing a design concept and architectural renderings for a new building at the University of South Florida, St. Petersburg campus to be called the Joint Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies. The architects will work with staff from the University of South Florida and partner agencies in St. Petersburg to design an efficient, effective building concept meeting the needs for focused research and advisory services related to the management of public natural resources vital to the State of Florida.

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

Architectural concept plan with detailed drawings and elevations suitable for bidding specifications.

- How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		



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<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Architectural Services	250,000
Operational Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		250,000

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

Greater understanding of the public policy implications of management of the State's marine natural resources through improved science and decision making. This state-of-the-art building on the St. Petersburg waterfront will attract dozens of new hires of scientific and technical personnel, and will enhance the education of graduate and undergraduate students at the University of South Florida. Likewise, technical and scientific "spin-off" businesses will all contribute to enhancing economic development of the downtown of St. Petersburg, and specifically the waterfront district.

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

All citizens of the State with particular emphasis on recreational and commercial fishermen, marine conservationists, and training of students to work in science fields supporting natural resource management.

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

Design of a work space that will encourage more collaborative science and decision-making, resulting in better management of the State's natural resources. Outcomes will be measured by the degree of support of partner institutions and their commitments to support the project.

g. 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 participate in the full construction project pending future State funding

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.



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University of South Florida – Relationship Self

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- b. **County:** Pinellas
- 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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