

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request **Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

LFIR # 2507

- **Project Title** 1. Manatee Technical College - Law Enforcement Academy Firing Range and Driving Facility
- 2. **Senate Sponsor** Joe Gruters
- 3. Date of Request 01/14/2020

4. **Project/Program Description**

To provide a FDLE approved outdoor firing range and driving facility for the Manatee Technical College Law Enforcement Academy. The Academy provides the FDLE approved training for approximately 75 students per year, continuing education for about 150 police officers and sheriff's deputies per year, and helps to serve the over 600 law enforcement officers in Manatee County. Police Officer is one of the most in-demand high-skill high-wage occupations in Manatee County. A 36-year-old firing range and driving facility were closed in 2016, forcing students and officers to resort to suboptimal alternatives for training, practice and continuing education.

State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Education 5.

● Yes ○ No State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Type of Funding	Amount	
Operations	000	
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,000,000	
Total State Funds Requested	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)	2000000	100.0 %	
Matching Funds			
Federal	00	0 %	
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %	
Local	00	0 %	
Other	00	0 %	
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	2,000,000	100 %	

Has this project previously received state funding? 8. ○ Yes No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	Vetoed

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

If 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			
Other Salary and Benefits			
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other			
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study			
Operational Costs: Oth	er		
Salary and Benefits			
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other			
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study			
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:			
Construction/Renovation/ Land/Planning Engineering	Design and construction of an outdoor firing range and driving facility for the Law Enforcement Academy at Manatee Technical College to provide high liabilities training to current and future law enforcement officers.	2,000,000	
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)			



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11. Program Performance

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

To design and construct an outdoor firing range and driving facility for the Law Enforcement Academy at Manatee Technical College. The 36-year-old firing range and driving pad were closed in 2016, forcing the school to pay out-of-county/commercial entities for use of their facilities until a new range and facility are constructed for MTC. The new range/facility will improve accessibility to training and allow for more advanced and specialized training. Building an outdoor firing range will save money in up-front construction costs, as well as long-term maintenance costs.

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

To provide basic and advanced high liabilities training to future and current law enforcement officers in Manatee County. Law enforcement vehicle operations and criminal justice firearms courses are a required part of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) curriculum to become a Certified Law Enforcement Officer, as well as being an important part of advanced and specialized training for current officers. An FDLE approved firing range and driving facility are integral to this training.

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

To meet the needs of local law enforcement agencies who rely on the MTC Academy to meet their hiring needs and to provide advanced and specialized continuing education for their current workforce. Of 50+ in-demand occupations that are high-skill high-wage in Manatee County, Police Officer is 13th in the order of greatest demand.

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

The MTC Academy will provide the FDLE-approved career training to about 75 students and advanced or specialized continuing education for about 150 local police officers and sheriff's deputies in the 2019-20 school year. In total, the academy serves to help support the over 600 law enforcement officers in Manatee County.

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

Legislative support would help the School Board of Manatee County leverage the means to purchase the property and build an FDLE-approved outdoor firing range and driving facility that would benefit MTC and local law enforcement agencies. Enrollment and scheduling of training can be tracked to show improvements to access to training as well as level of training.

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?

All contracts have performance requirements and penalties that protect the state's and public's investment. No additional penalties are needed for this project.



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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. 12.

The School Board of Manatee County will receive the funding on behalf of its career center, Manatee Technical College.

13. Requestor Contact Information

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