



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1388

1. Project Title FCDI - Workforce Education - Hillsborough

2. Senate Sponsor Darryl Rouson

3. Date of Request 11/15/2021

4. Project/Program Description

Foundation for Community Driven Innovation (FCDI) provides workforce education programming in automotive repair, commercial drone operation, aeronautics, computer aided drafting, 3D printing, computer programming, mechanical engineering, and shop skills. Certification test prep courses currently include ASE automotive tech through fleet management and Part 107 drone pilot certification. Workforce education is integrated throughout all other programs.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Economic Opportunity

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	50,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	50,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	50,000	96%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	2,000	4%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	52,000	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? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 20,000

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

Limited but some partial grant funding from Florida Blue, Lockheed Martin, and individual donors/sponsors.

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

Yes



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

\$20,00 to make PPE (face shields) for health care workers.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Automotive Standards Expert contracted services.	5,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Instructional materials. Commercial drone training equipment and supplies. Simulation equipment and software. Shop training equipment.	30,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted instructors for automotive training. Contracted instructor for drone certification and services training.	15,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		50,000

12. Program Performance

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

Participants will receive training and certification test prep in automotive repair, commercial drone operation, and computer aided drafting, as well as educational and skills training in 3D printing, computer programming, mechanical engineering, and shop skills with the aim of capacity building workforce skills enhancement and improved employability.

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

Aeronautics, computer aided drafting, 3D printing, computer programming, mechanical engineering, and shop skills. Certification test prep courses currently include ASE automotive tech through fleet management and Part 107 drone pilot certifications.

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

Skills training and certification test prep for all of the above.

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

Economically disadvantaged individuals, at-risk youth, high school students, and college students. 25-50 individuals are expected to be served.

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



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Benefits/outcomes expected include:

Self-efficacy resulting from skills attainment and economic independence, improved skills development leading to improved quality of education, improved economic activity as a result of certifications attained and jobs through certifications, and immediate job opportunities through the development of enhanced economic self-sufficiency through improved skills and understanding of new workforce opportunities.

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?

Balance of expended funds would be returned to the state if deliverables or performance measures are not met. Standard contract penalties are sufficient.

13. 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.

N/a



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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

15. 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

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number