



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1664

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The proposed expansion of City of Hialeah Educational Academy (COHEA) is to broaden its career-pathways program to incorporate authentic classrooms and labs for instruction in: EMR, EMT, EKG, and Phlebotomy, Mass Communication videography, cinematography, and editing; Criminal Justice 911 Dispatch, and STEM design, robotics, 3D manufacturing, and coding. These requested funds will be spent on an additional education wing to the school. This added facility will also serve as a multi-purpose building for the students and community. The expansion of our Careers-pathways program will better provide realistic training and strategies to support students in acquiring the academic, employability, and technical skills that the current and future workforce demands.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,900,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>2,900,000</b>

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)	2,900,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>2,900,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

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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Yes

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

COHEA received \$594,832.70 in federal funds through an ESSER grant. These funds were used for instructional technology equipment and software to enhance the hybrid instructional model to increase student achievement.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The requested funds will be spent on adding an additional education wing to the school to provide students in our community the opportunity to receive authentic instruction in a real-world simulated environment to enhance their learning experiences and extend their employment opportunities. Also, the expansion will provide the needed space for additional students to attend and benefit from our unique career-pathways municipal charter school.	2,900,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>2,900,000</b>

**12. Program Performance**

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

The goal and purpose of this project is to better prepare our students to be college and career ready by combining academics with exposure to careers. This gives them an early opportunity to explore their talents and gain experience that will set them on a path to successful collegiate careers.

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

The proposed expansion of COHEA is to broaden its career-pathways program to incorporate authentic classrooms and labs for instruction in EMR, EMT, EKG, and Phlebotomy; Mass Communications videography, cinematography, and editing; Criminal Justice 911 Dispatch; and STEM design, robotics, 3D manufacturing, and coding. These requested funds will be spend on an additional wing to the school. The expansion will better provide realistic training and strategies to support students in acquiring academic, employability, and technical skills that is demanded of the current and future workforce.

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

The requested funds will be spent on an additional wing to provide students in our community the opportunity to receive authentic instruction in a real-world simulated environment to enhance their learning experiences and increase their employment opportunities. Also, the expansion will provide the needed space for additional students to attend and benefit from our unique career pathways municipal charter school.

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



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The City of Hialeah community, children, parents, continuing education program from Miami-Dade College, teachers and residents will be served by this project.

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

The expected result will be that additional students from our community will be able to enroll from an already extended waiting list. The added building will include authentic simulation labs and classrooms for Emergency Medical Responder, Mass Communication, Criminal Justice, and STEM. The methodology used to measure the outcome of this project is the FSA for academic assessment, career-pathways assessment such as the state certified exams, Adobe certification exams, the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) for Criminal Justice, and the FDLE Basic Abilities Test (BAT) exam.

**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?**

In addition to the standard penalties for failure to meet contract obligations as mandated by the State of Florida, COHEA agrees to revert funds.

**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.**

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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