



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1981

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

College to Congress (C2C) provides pathways for college students and recent graduates from rural, low-income, and disadvantaged communities to intern with leaders of the Florida Executive and Legislative branch and launch their careers in public service. We aim to create 20 scholarships specifically for Florida college students to provide leadership training, professional development, mentorship, internship placement, intern housing, meals, transportation, and other costs related to interning in Tallahassee during legislative session.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?  Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>250,000</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)	250,000	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>250,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?  Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22	0	250,000	72	Yes

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?

No



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

#### 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	This funding will provide 20 low-income students across Florida with a 6-month training program round-trip flights, furnished short-term intern housing, meals, professional clothing, transportation in Tallahassee, and other cost associated with an unpaid internship. Curated leadership trainings include financial literacy, bill writing, constituent services, interviewing, networking, resume-writing and more.	250,000
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		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>250,000</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

C2C provides pathways for college students and recent graduates from rural, low-income, and disadvantaged communities to intern with members of the Executive and Legislative branch to launch their careers in public service. We aim to create 20 scholarships specifically for Florida college students to provide leadership training, professional development, mentorship, internship placement, intern housing, meals, transportation, and other costs relating to interning in Tallahassee, Florida.

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

C2C will provide pathway scholarship to 20 college students and recent graduates from rural, low-income, and disadvantaged communities to intern in Florida's legislative process C2C will recruit, work with Executive and Legislative leaders to discuss placement, and provide adequate resources for students to launch their career in public service.

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

Leadership training, professional development, mentorship, internship placement, intern housing, meals, transportation, and other costs related to interning in Florida's legislative process in Tallahassee.

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

Twenty (20) low-income, diverse college students & recent graduates attending Florida colleges and universities.

**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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Our goal is to secure Executive & Legislative branch internships for low income and diverse college students. Students who intern are 68% more likely to receive a paid full-time job. 90% of our alumni are currently working in public service, thanks to their internship. C2C tracks the students' internships and post-internship careers, as well as their socioeconomic status.

**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?**

If College to Congress is unable to use the funds they will be returned to the state.

**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