



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2157

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

Pantera Technical Services Corp (established 2015) provides training focused on the NFPA99 Healthcare Facilities code and is currently a Florida Construction Industry Licensing Board continuing education provider. We provide training to Medical Gas Installers, Medical Gas Inspectors, Medical Gas Repair Technician and Medical Gas Design guidance to architects & engineers in our normal course of business. Currently, NFPA99 code is adopted by the state of Florida under s. 489.136, F.S., and since this code is changing every three years, we propose a specific standardize education outreach program tailored to the specific needs of the AHCA Facility Inspectors, Florida Fire Marshal Inspectors, Municipal Plan Reviewers and County Fire Personnel that supervise & inspect the healthcare facilities under the purview of the Joint Commission, CMS, AHCA, and many other municipalities, towns, counties and plan reviewing authorities that are currently approving changes & supervise new construction.

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	258,300
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	258,300

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)	258,300	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	258,300	100%

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.

Currently, every candidate wanting to take any of the courses is billed individually, directly, or their employer is billed on their behalf.



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

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
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Salary and benefits for employee to administer, structure and manage the outreach and seminar program, notifies agencies and personnel of available training sessions so they can choose which is most convenient to attend. Prepare workshop materials in advance. Monitor and record event registration and attendance reporting.	60,000
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Meetings to coordinate training sessions, travel expenses, mileage, program advertising and announcement.	22,400
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Website hosting, student registration recordkeeping, searchable database.	2,500
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Certified Medical Gas Instructor- ASSE6050 (Subject Matter Specialist, already a Certified Medical Gas Installer, Medical Gas Verifier, Medical Gas Inspector and Designer).	60,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	NFPA99 Healthcare Facilities Code textbook. NFPA 55 Compressed Gases And Cryogenic Fluids Code textbook, student handbook and study guide. Conference room rentals, and study materials. Oxygen and medical air supplies and consumables for field testing.	113,400
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		258,300

12. Program Performance

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

Promote the integration of the latest changes in the NFPA99 Healthcare facilities code into the permitting process, project inspection, building construction approval and the improved safety and reliability of the hospitals, clinics, emergency rooms, surgery centers, dental offices, nursing homes and retirement homes that have piped medical gases, store oxygen tanks, or have oxygen generators in their facilities.

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

Seminars, workshops and conferences to discuss, review and revise existing layouts vs the latest changes in the NFPA99, the Florida Statutes as it applies to them, the incorporation into the latest Florida building code and how it also intermingles with the Florida Fire Code.

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

Seminars, classes and workshops modified to each audience i.e., Fire Marshalls, city code enforcement, county or city plan reviewer and AHCA facility inspectors are all looking for specific items in terms of medical gas systems, oxygen generation, oxygen tank storage in facilities that have existing systems being modified, new construction on existing buildings, or are completely new facilities.



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

Target population = Florida Fire Marshals (20), AHCA inspectors, plan reviewers, fire protection specialists (23), Florida cities and municipalities (400), Florida fire departments and special districts (461) Florida county management (67). Current budget request is to serve 250 persons in the first year.

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

On each seminar there will be quizzes to test the comprehension and proficiency in the material being presented. Final test will be recorded, with option to repeat the seminar as needed in the next 12 months. List of attendees will be available for review and kept for a minimum of five years. In general terms, population safety is the end goal as the NFPA99 healthcare facilities code applies to facilities that serve all population throughout Florida and compliance of Florida Statute is kept up to date by specialized training of stakeholders.

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?

Carryover of funds until 250 persons of the target audience have been instructed on the NFPA99 Health Facilities code provisions.

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.

No fixed capital outlay for this project.



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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