



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2593

1. Project Title Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Center for Aerospace Technologies

2. Senate Sponsor Travis Hutson

3. Date of Request 01/24/2022

4. Project/Program Description

Design and planning of a research, development, and training facility, the Center for Aerospace Technologies (CAT). CAT will be the nexus of innovation and technological, intellectual and economic development for next-generation aerotechnologies and solutions to current and future industry challenges. The facility will contribute to workforce development and create high paying employment opportunities for residents.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Education

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	25,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	25,000,000

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)	25,000,000	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	25,000,000	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? 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

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



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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		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Design, planning, and construction of a 65,000 square foot space for technological, intellectual, and economic development.	25,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		25,000,000

12. Program Performance

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

The design and planning of a research, development, and training facility, the Center for Aerospace Technologies (CAT). CAT will be the nexus of innovation and technological, intellectual, and economic development for next-generation aerotechnologies and solutions to current and future industry challenges. The facility will contribute to workforce development and create high paying employment opportunities for residents.

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

The Center for Aerospace Technologies will create and additional 65,000 square feet of space for technological innovation and intellectual and economic development. The completed Research Park East will solidify Embry-Riddle and Volusia County as the northern anchor of Florida's Space Triangle. It will attract companies with high-paying jobs and serve as a catalyst for economic growth.

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

Education and training for students; continuing education opportunities for citizens and high paying employment opportunities in companies that relocate to the area or are started here in Volusia County. The facilities in the Center will also be available to the companies to leverage for their growth.

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

The target population is university/college students and well over 800 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?

Improve quality of education, improve transportation conditions, increase of improve economic activity, create specific immediate job opportunities, and strengthen workforce.

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?



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- 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.**

It is the same.



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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