

LFIR # 1487

1. Project Title The Florida Law Enforcement Education Initiative	
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2. Senate Sponsor Jim Boyd

3. Date of Request 11/17/2023

4. Project/Program Description

The request will help fund the education of 1000+ Law Enforcement officers across the state of Florida. This education is focused on "soft-skill' development addressing emotional health and wellbeing, including stress management and financial literacy, subjects not necessarily addressed during academy and continuing education training. Our intention is to support law enforcement in all areas of their profession.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Law Enforcement

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,250,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage	
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	2,500,000	4%	
Matching Funds			
Federal	0	0%	
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%	
Local	7,121,764	13%	
Other	45,378,236	83%	
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	55,000,000	100%	

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	
2023-24	0	2,500,000		Yes

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

Yes

2,500,000

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

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

N/A

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.



Employee retention tax credit was used to replenish reserves spent on working capital (to retain employees) during the pandemic.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

🔘 Planning	🔘 Design	Construction	🔵 N/A
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b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?	Yes	
c. What is the estimated start date of construction?	01/2024	
d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?	05/2025	

12. List 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.

The facility is owned by the United States Law Enforcement Foundation, a 501 c 3 registered in the State of Florida with a 60 year history of supporting law enforcement through various charitable programs.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount	
Administrative Costs:			
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Funding necessary for appropriate project overview and accountability.	25,000	
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	Education contractors	225,000	
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	Education facilities	2,250,000	
Total State Funds Requested (m	Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) 2,500,000		

14. Program Performance

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

Classroom education of state of Florida law enforcement officers to develop soft skills required to address unprecedented levels of stress and anxiety in performing daily duties. Officers are underequipped to recognize and deal with these social and emotional strains and this education fills a needed gap.

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



Classroom education with an approved and accredited curriculum focused on emotional health, suicide awareness, and financial literacy.

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

USLEF Visitor Experience will provide the opportunity for the public to become educated about the law enforcement profession and hear stories about the humanity of the men and women who 'protect and serve' their communities. The immersive experience will inspire citizens via world class story telling brought to life via best in class production technology.

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

Current and retired law enforcement and all those involved in it, the general public (specifically in regards to the immersive visitor experience), and school students through age appropriate law enforcement career exploration programming.

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

Direct benefits to Florida's law enforcement officers will be measured via post education surveys that measure selfreported value in each of the skill areas being developed as well as formal personal follow-up by educators to command staff of those in USLEF classes and programs. A one year anniversary follow-up will also be utilized.

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?

Failure to meet deliverance or performance measures could result in forfeiture of funds.

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