

LFIR # 3083

1. Project Title Fort Myers Technical College East Annex / Pre-Construction Phase

2. Senate Sponsor Jonathan Martin

3. Date of Request 01/08/2024

4. Project/Program Description

Request a specific appropriation project for \$2.5 million to create a new Career and Technical Education College (CTEC) Annex at a future location in Lee County. The funds will be used for architectural/design services, engineering plans and other costs associated with pre-construction to build an annex campus for Fort Myers Technical College (FMTC). Career clusters planned for the expanded campus include Transportation, Distribution and Logistics, Architecture and Construction, Health Science, Hospitality, and Manufacturing.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Education

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,500,000
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	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	2,500,000	50%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	5,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	

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?

Yes

No



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

\$329,484,862.23 - It was used to prevent, prepare, and respond to COVID.

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		
b. Is the project	"shovel ready" ((i.e permitted)?		No	
c. What is the es	timated start da	te of construction?		2026-27	
d. What is the es	timated comple	tion date of construe	ction?	2028-2029	

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.

School District of Lee County

13. 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/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	The funds will be used for architectural/design services, engineering plans and other costs associated with pre-construction to build an annex campus for Fort Myers Technical College (FMTC).	2,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	2,500,000

14. Program Performance

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



The goal is to request \$2.5m for a new Technical College in East Lee County. The funds will be used for architectural/design services, engineering plans and other costs associated with pre-construction to build an annex campus for Fort Myers Technical College. Career clusters planned for the expanded campus include: Transportation, Distribution and Logistics, Architecture and Construction, Health Sciences and Manufacturing. The request is half the budgeted \$5m in the current capital budget.

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

Funds will contribute to the construction of public technical college facilities that will provide workforce training for citizens of Lee County and the Southwest Florida region.

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

Funding will be used to establish new training programs and expand current programs that will provide affordable, highwage "career in a year" public workforce education options for the citizens of Southwest Florida.

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

Jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, high school students, University/College students, and citizens looking to up-skill in order to achieve a career in a high-wage trades profession. Expected to serve 100-200.

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

(1) Number of annual completers of post-secondary career certificate programs; (2) Percentage of enrollees who complete programs; (3) Percentage of grads with job placement in the field of study; (4) Percentage of grads earning State licensure in programs/fields where it applies. Cape Coral Technical College is required to track, maintain detailed documentation of, and report

student completion, placement, and licensure data by the Council on Occupational Education (accrediting agency). Data is also reported to the state annually for operational funding purposes.

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?

Funding to be reduced or eliminated.

15. Requester Contact Information

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16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization	School D	istrict of Lee County	
b. Municipality and	d County	Lee	

c. Organization Type

□For Profit Entity

□Non Profit 501(c)(3)

□Non Profit 501(c)(4)



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□Local	Entity

□University or College

☑Other (please specify) Public School District

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