



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1939

1. Project Title Foundation Academy School: Safety and Security

2. Senate Sponsor Keith Truenow

3. Date of Request 11/21/2025

4. Project/Program Description

Enhance on-going efforts to keep our students, teachers and staff safe and in a monitored environment, coupled with the recent fatal shootings in Christian schools, we are looking to upgrade our security systems with new cutting-edge technology, electronic door access controls, video monitoring systems with AI security cameras that include fire and explosive detections, weapon detection, facial screenings, etc. for 3 campuses for over 1,450 students from ages PK3 (3 years old) to 18 (12th Grade).

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Education

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	200,000
Total State Funds Requested	200,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	200,000	80%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	50,000	20%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	250,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future-year 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.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects



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10. 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 estimated start date of construction?

05/31/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

08/01/2026

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

Foundation Academy budget fund will maintain the equipment.

11. 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 school is a Florida Non-Profit Corporation; "Foundation Academy of Winter Garden, Inc." with a governing Board (however the board members are not "owners").

12. 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		
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	Add to our security systems with new cutting-edge technology, electronic access controls, video monitoring systems with AI security cameras that include fire and explosion detection, weapons detection, facial recognition, etc. for 3 campuses.	200,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		200,000

13. Program Performance

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

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



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These security enhancements will serve to keep safe and protect the thousands of students, families, church members, community members and businesses who visit and utilize our school campuses year-round, seven days a week.

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

Safer facilities for our students from the ages of 3 years old (PK3) - 18 (12th Grade) along with their families, community members and elderly grandparents who visit them year-round to mitigate harm to individuals from random school shootings or suspicious persons on site etc.

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

Over 100,000 annually visiting our campuses. Preschool students, Grade school students, High School students, Elderly persons (visiting the campuses), and Businesses

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

Improve mental health: Provide students and parents with peace and stability that their children are in the safest environment with these enhanced security measures.

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 in the contract?

Should the school not utilize the funds for the areas submitted or agreed upon, then a process to pay back the grant may be agreed upon.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- ☐ Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- ☐ Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- ☐ Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?



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- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

18. 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 Ext.

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number



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