



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1912

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

The project includes renovation of buildings, site upgrades, and maintenance of the Public Safety Facilities at FSCJ, including the Fire Academy of the South, Public Service/EMS Facility, and the NE Florida Criminal Justice Center (CJC). The Fire Academy of the South and the EMS facilities are used to train new students (fire fighters and EMT's) as well as to conduct ongoing training and certifications for existing fire fighters. Fire Departments throughout the region come to the FSCJ Fire Academy of the South for continuing education training, including Jacksonville Fire & Rescue (JFRD), Nassau County, Baker County, Gainesville, NE FL Regional Airport, FL Air National Guard, and many others. There are also JFRD offices and staff on site at the Fire Academy. The CJC is used to train new recruits in law enforcement and security programs as well as for in-service training for the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO). There over 50 JSO employees with offices at the CJC.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	18,696,594
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>18,696,594</b>

**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)	18,696,594	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>18,696,594</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	0	1,993,809	Deferred Maintenance	No

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.**



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For the past several years, FSCJ has used CARES, state Deferred Maintenance, and FSCJ funding for critical maintenance projects to keep the facilities open and operating. In lieu of state funding, FSCJ will only be able to address immediate maintenance needs in small increments each year.

**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.**

In FY 2022, FSCJ used \$247,040 in CARES funding to address deferred maintenance of the public safety facilities/buildings.

## 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)?**

**c. What is the estimated start date of construction?**

**d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?**

**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.**

FSCJ is the owner of all the Public Safety Program facilities. FSCJ will receive the fixed capital outlay funding.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		



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Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	The project includes renovation of buildings, site upgrades, and maintenance of the Public Safety Facilities at FSCJ, including the Fire Academy of the South, Public Service/EMS Facility, and the NE Florida Criminal Justice Center. Building renovations include roofing and structural elements. There will also be site upgrades and internal road system paving.	18,696,594
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>18,696,594</b>

**14. Program Performance**

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

The funds requested will be used for the renovation of buildings and site upgrades at the Fire Academy, EMS, and Criminal Justice Center facilities. These facilities require maintenance and upgrades in order to remain operational.

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

The services to be provided are related to the construction/renovation's costs for the Public Safety facilities.

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

Upgrading and renovating the Public Safety Program facilities will allow for FSCJ to continue to operate the Fire Academy, EMS Program, and Criminal Justice Center (Police Academy) at full capacity. The graduates in these program areas will be able to fill critical public safety workforce needs as fire fighters, police officers, and EMT's. The renovated facilities will also allow for FSCJ to continue to offer in-service training for existing first responders.

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

The target population is college students and existing first responders. The Public Safety Programs serve more than 8,000 students and existing first responders annually, including 252 EMT students, 293 fire fighter students, 3,822 JFRD employees for continuing workforce training, 1,393 regional fire department (non JFRD) employees, 240 basic law enforcement students, 54 basic corrections students, 56 community service officer students, and 2,321 JSO employees for in-service training.

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

By upgrading the Public Safety Facilities, FSCJ will be able to increase its capacity to serve and graduate more fire fighter, EMT, and police officer students and enhance their educational experience. This will contribute to greater safety in the Duval and Nassau areas. The benefit will be measured by the increase in enrollment and graduation rates of students in the Fire Academy, EMS Program, and Police Academy.

**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?**

If the College is unable to complete the project, funds will be reverted back to the agency.

**15. Requester Contact Information**

**a. First Name**  **Last Name**

**b. Organization**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**  **Ext.**

**16. Recipient Contact Information**

**a. Organization**



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**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**

**17. Lobbyist Contact Information**

**a. Name**

**b. Firm Name**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**