



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2301

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

In 1984, the Florida Legislature appropriated funds to be used in the planning, property acquisition, and site development for a new engineering campus to serve as the Florida A&M University-Florida State University College of Engineering. Currently, the College shares classroom space in FSU's Mag Lab, Research Buildings A & B, as well as offices and conference rooms. Study space is in hallways and lobby areas. Events that require auditorium space must be scheduled in spaces on the FAMU or FSU campus when available, and there is no space to display projects and achievements. To accommodate the projected growth of the College in all these areas, completion of the originally conceived three-building complex now becomes a matter of urgency.

The requested funds will be used for the planning of a 163,867 gross square foot addition to Building C of the college.

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	80,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>80,000,000</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)	80,000,000	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>80,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	20,000,000	18	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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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.

Revenue: \$69.5M Direct Student Aid and \$85.2M Institutional Support. Expenses: 1) \$69.5M Direct Student Aid; 2) \$85.2M Campus Operations: \$57.2M-Lost revenues in campus auxiliaries; \$8.7M-Campus health/safety; \$8.2M-Reimbursements for housing/study abroad/meal plans; \$1.0M-IT infrastructure and equipment for remote/distance learning; \$0.4M Off-campus quarantine housing; \$9.7M-Other operating costs

## 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.

Florida State University is a public state university.

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>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Funds will be used for the initial planning of a 163,867 gross square foot addition to Building C in the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering, which is in dire need of space including classrooms, teaching labs, study areas, research lab space, office, auditorium space, instructional media space, and support services space.	80,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>80,000,000</b>



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#### 14. Program Performance

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

These funds will be used for the initial planning of construction for the approximately 163,867 gross square foot (GSF) of new space for the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering Building C. It will also provide renovation funds for the non-assignable spaces for the tie-in areas between the existing and new construction, and allow for upgrading and replacing signage and wayfinding (currently done on paper). To accommodate the growth of the college, completing of the originally conceived three-building complex is necessary and urgent.

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

University officials will use funds for the purpose of carrying out the construction of additional space for Building C of the joint FAMU-FSU College of Engineering.

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

The joint college's primary goal is to provide a challenging and educational experience for our students that will enable them to become effective engineering professionals in a society where demand for engineers is ever-present. However, the college's facilities are not equipped to provide the students with the space they need to conduct research, learn, or even study. These funds will be used to better support engineering students.

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

The target population is university students at FSU and FAMU, which is more than 800 students.

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

This project will improve quality of education. It will serve 6 critical engineering disciplines that are all of strategic importance within the STEM field. Engineering is critical for startup, job creation, and the health of the State economy. This investment will pay off by allowing high-quality entrepreneurial students to positively impact the economy. According to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, engineering jobs are projected to grow 10.9% from 2017 to 2025, which even larger growth project in the key fields of study offered at the FAMU-FSU College of Engineering, including a 14.6% increase in environmental, 15.2% in civil, and 23.7% in biomedical.

**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?**

Revert state appropriation and withhold future funding for this initiative.

#### 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**

**b. Municipality and County**

**c. Organization Type**

For Profit Entity



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- 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