

Budget Detail Request - Fiscal Year 2016-17

Your request will not be officially submitted unless all questions and applicable sub parts are answered.

1. Title of Project: State Scholarship Program for Undergraduate Students with Learning Disabilities, ADHD, and other Learning Differences
2. Date of Submission: 01/26/2016
3. House Member Sponsor(s): Larry Metz

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes
If answer to 4a is ?NO? skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d
- b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2015-16
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request (Note that Column E will be the total of Recurring funds requested and Column F will be the total Nonrecurring funds requested, the sum of which is the Total of the Funds you are requesting in Column G):

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2015-16 (If appropriated in FY 2015-16 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2016-17 (If no new Recurring or Nonrecurring funding is requested, enter zeros.)			
	Column: A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column A + Column B)	Recurring Base Budget (Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)	INCREASED or NEW Recurring Requested	TOTAL Nonrecurring Requested (Nonrecurring is one time funding & must be re-requested every year)	Total Funds Requested Over Base Funding (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column E + Column F)
Input Amounts:	250,000	0	250,000	250,000	0	0	0

- e. New Nonrecurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs
- f. New Recurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs

5. Requester:

- a. Name: Dr. George Hagerty
- b. Organization: Beacon College
- c. Email: ghagerty@beaconcollege.edu
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6. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds:

- a. Name: Beacon College
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended) Lake
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding) Statewide

7. Write a project description that will serve as a stand-alone summary of the project for legislative review. The description should summarize the entire project's intended purpose, the purpose of the funds requested (if request is a sub-part of the entire project), and most importantly the detail on how the funds requested will be spent - for example how much will be spent on positions and associated salaries, specifics on capital costs, and detail of operational expenses. The summary must list what local, regional or statewide interests or areas are served. It should also document the need for the funds, the community support and expected results when applicable. Be sure to include the type and amount of services as well as the number of the specific target population that will be served (such as number of home health visits to X, # of elderly, # of school aged children to receive mentoring, # of violent crime victims to receive once a week counseling etc.)

This recurring legislative request is a \$250,000 appropriated grant for FY 2017 to provide necessary financial assistance for the baccalaureate education of some of the state's most educationally and economically vulnerable, but academically worthy students who seek for their future an accredited degree as the gateway to a meaningful and sustainable quality of life and work in the professions.

These grant funds will be awarded to Beacon College to distribute on a selective basis to Florida students whose documented disability and financial need make clear that such scholarship assistance will be a dominate factor in making the College's specialized undergraduate both accessible and affordable. No institution of higher education in the nation remotely approaches the College's success with this undergraduate population of students with special learning needs: an 83.3% graduation rate and an equally significant 825 employment/graduate study rate upon receipt of the Bachelor's degree.

This grant will (1) expand the pool of targeted FL students now being served, (2) permit continued funding to returning students, (3) level the State funding field, creating parity for students ineligible for Bright Futures due to a learning disability or learning difference, and (4) assist Beacon College in providing alternative college options for students transferring from the Florida State University and College Systems and the State's private institutions.

8. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2016-17 from all sources of funding:

Federal: 0

State: 0 (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column G)

Local: 0

Other: 617,255

9. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

Yes