

Jobs for Florida's Future Fact Sheet

The 2005 Legislature appropriated Jobs for Florida's Future grants to fund the creation or expansion of postsecondary workforce education programs that serve specific workforce needs. Priority for funding was given to programs that train for:

- High-skill, high-wage, and high-demand occupations;
- Occupations within Enterprise Florida's key economic development sectors;
- Targeted occupations to improve economic development in Florida's rural communities; and
- Training for workforce adults who are eligible for public assistance, economically disadvantaged, disabled, not proficient in English, or dislocated workers.

The Department of Education received proposals from community colleges and technical centers, and prepared recommendations for the 2005 Legislature for funding Jobs for Florida's Future grants for the 2005-06 fiscal year. Only the community college grants were funded in the General Appropriations Act.

Community College Proposals Funded

- 33 proposals, totaling \$10,000,000
- 16 – Nursing & Allied Health
- 7 – Technology
- 3 – Biosciences/Biotechnology
- 1 – Homeland Security
- 6 – Other

Jobs for Florida's Future is similar to a former grant program, the Capitalization Incentive Grant, which was initially proposed and managed by the State Board of Community Colleges in FY 1995-96. In FY 1998-99, this program was transitioned to the Postsecondary Education Planning Commission and expanded to include school district programs. The last year of funding was FY 2001-02. Many critical programs were started or expanded with this funding. An example is nursing. Between 1999 and 2001, nine nursing programs were funded and between 1999 and 2003, enrollments in nursing programs increased by:

- 63% for community college RN programs
- 29% for community college and technical center LPN programs

JOBS FOR FLORIDA'S FUTURE PROJECTS

Appropriated by the 2005 Florida Legislature

COLLEGE	PROGRAM	AMOUNT
Brevard Community College (#1)	Associate Degree Nursing	\$390,000
Brevard Community College (#2)	Apprenticeship Expansion	\$171,303
Broward Community College	Automotive Technology	\$362,749
Daytona Beach Community College (#1)	Building Construction Trades	\$142,748
Daytona Beach Community College (#2)	Medical Laboratory Tech Certificate	\$220,000
Edison College	Nursing Program	\$561,303
Florida Community College at Jacksonville	Network Administrator	\$561,303
Florida Keys Community College	Nursing RN	\$444,158
Gulf Coast Community College	Career Advancement in Specialized Healthcare	\$301,688
Hillsborough Community College(#1)	Registered Nurse Partnership Program	\$241,734
Indian River Community College (#1)	Homeland Security Academy	\$161,297
Indian River Community College (#2)	Pre-Health Science Academy	\$100,000
Indian River Community College (#3)	Institute of Culinary Arts Expansion	\$100,000
Lake-Sumter Community College (#1)	Nursing (RN)	\$186,302
Lake-Sumter Community College (#2)	Electrical Distribution	\$375,000
Manatee Community College (#1)	AS Nursing Degree	\$349,160
Miami Dade College	Biosciences Job Growth Initiative	\$362,749
North Florida Community College	Associate Degree in Nursing	\$561,303
Okaloosa-Walton College (#1)	Radiography Tech/Emergency Management	\$355,567

COLLEGE	PROGRAM	AMOUNT
Okaloosa-Walton College (#2)	Higher Education and Employment - Student Readiness	\$76,460
Palm Beach Community College	Biotechnology Initiative	\$406,303
Palm Beach Community College	Child Care - Spanish Speaking	\$155,000
Pasco-Hernando Community College (#2)	E-Business Technology	\$143,095
Pensacola Junior College	Building Construction Specialist	\$538,851
Polk Community College	Respiratory Care	\$561,303
St. Johns River Community College (#1)	Nursing	\$230,012
St. Johns River Community College (#2)	Computer Engineering Technology	\$141,392
St. Petersburg College	Registered Nurse	\$362,749
Santa Fe Community College	Life Sciences	\$362,749
Seminole Community College (#1)	Healthcare Program Expansion	\$300,652
Seminole Community College (#2)	AS in Wireless Technology	\$260,650
South Florida Community College	Nursing	\$362,749
Valencia Community College (#2)	Digital Media Technology	\$149,670
Grand Total		\$10,000,000