



Talent Pipeline

- Support Florida Polytechnic University’s request for \$44.5M in PECO funds for their Student Achievement Center. Support Florida Poly’s \$21.5M funding request to expand the university’s growth initiatives.
- Support Polk State College’s \$17.5M PECO funding request to complete the first phase of construction for the Polk State Haines City campus and their \$6.1M PECO funding request to complete renovations on their Lakeland campus. Support the college’s request for \$3M in recurring operating dollars to support the expansion of the college’s critical teacher training programs.
- Support the requests of Florida Southern College, Southeastern University, Webber University and Keiser University to preserve Effective Access to Student Education (EASE) voucher funding.
- Support Florida Southern College’s pursuit for funding for their Florida Agribusiness Focus and planetarium equipment for educational programming.
- Support Webber International University’s funding request of \$855,922 for their Nursing and Health Sciences program to increase access for student attainment.



Infrastructure

- Support the City of Lake Wales’ request for funding to study infrastructure expansion for future aeronautical and non-aeronautical development opportunities around the Lake Wales Municipal Airport.
- Support the funding requests of several Polk County municipalities for projects building and developing water capacity.
- Multimodal transportation infrastructure is critical to meet the evolving needs of Polk County’s businesses and citizens. CFDC supports legislation that advances the implementation of multimodal infrastructure including increased passenger rail.



Heartland Headwaters Protection and Sustainability Act

- Support Polk County’s Regional Water Cooperative funding request to develop non-traditional alternative water supply projects and interconnections, optimizing existing allocations and facilities.



Agricultural Resiliency

- Support legislative and budget priorities that help sustain and rebuild Florida’s agricultural industry, a critical sector within Florida’s economy.
- Support the Florida Citrus Mutual’s funding request for continued citrus research and development and applied research for future commercialization.



Florida’s Competitive Economic Development Environment

- Support the continuation of the statewide economic development program encouraging the establishment of qualified data centers within Florida.

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Polk County’s
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