What is the deadline for submitting proposals?

Section 288.101, Florida Statutes, does not provide a deadline for submitting proposals. Proposals will be considered until all the funding is committed.

Is there a limitation on the amount of funds that can be requested?

The statute does not provide a limit on the amount of funding that can be requested per project. The job growth fund was appropriated $85 million.

If a proposal was submitted in fiscal year 2017-2018 and did not receive funding, should the entity resubmit that proposal in order to be considered for funding in fiscal year 2018-2019?

If a proposal was submitted in the 2017-2018 fiscal year and did not receive funding, the entity should review its previous proposal and the 2018-2019 proposal document located at http://floridajobs.org/jobgrowth, which has updates on the budget and employment codes sections. Please take time to review the awarded proposals from the 2017-2018 year to ensure your project has the greatest chance for success. Please resubmit your previous proposal with an updated budget and other details, if necessary, or a new proposal document. Additional letters of support or other supporting documentation would be welcomed.

Where can I find my proposal online?

All submitted proposals for 2018-2019 can be found on the DEO website at the following link: http://floridajobs.org/jobgrowth/florida-job-growth-grant-proposals

Is there a certain amount of funds designated for infrastructure projects versus workforce training?

The statute does not dictate any breakdown of funds by project type.

Is there an expected number of projects that will be approved?

The statute does not provide a minimum or maximum number of projects that may be approved by the Governor.

Is there a requirement for matching funds?

The statute does not require a project to have matching funds. However, community investment is important, and any matching funds that are being provided should be included in your proposal budget.

Are additional attachments such as maps and photos permissible in the proposal?

Attachments are permissible. Please send as much detail in the project proposal as possible.
Is a state university eligible for a workforce training grant?
The statute states that workforce training grants must support programs at state colleges and technical centers. If the proposed project partners with one of those entities, then the university would also be eligible to submit a proposal.

Is the grant provided over a specific time period?
The statute does not provide a specific time period. However, if possible please include a detailed timeline in your proposal.

How many proposals can one entity submit?
The statute does not limit the number of proposals that one entity can submit.

Can edits be made to a proposal once it has been submitted?
Yes, please email any amendments or changes to proposals already submitted to JobGrowth@deo.myflorida.com.

Are any parts of the fund dedicated to certain regions of the state?
The statute does not dictate any breakdown of funds by region. DEO and EFI are focused on bringing economic opportunity to all areas of the state.

Is the funding meant for new or pre-existing projects?
The grant funds can be used for either type of project; please provide as many details in the project proposal as possible describing what projects the funding will be used for.

If my project is approved by the Governor, when will funds be made available?
Once approved by the Governor, each entity will enter into a contract with DEO, where a funding timeline will be established.

Is all of the information that is provided in the proposal considered a public record?
Job Growth Grant Fund proposals are public record under Florida statutes. However, any information that is confidential by state statutes will be redacted according to the statute applicable.