Aerospace Workforce Transition, $5,000,000
Brevard Workforce Development Board, Inc., Brevard County, Florida

Funds will be used to transition the aerospace workforce affected by the Shuttle retirement in 2010 - 2011 to emerging businesses. The biggest focus of the re-training is into high skills, high wage occupations which typically are in the science and technology arena. These aspects will be a primary focus across the state to grow the workers into an even more competitive force for Florida to attract high tech businesses. The ultimate result from these activities will be a higher focus by EDO's to attract science and technology based businesses to Florida because of our ability to provide the highly skilled workforce they need. . This project is definitely geared to helping workers who will be affected by the economic situation they are facing.

Autism Services Knowledge Management, $200,000
University Of South Florida, Hillsborough County, Florida

Funds will be used to establish a network of autism services and research in order to improve information-sharing between medical personnel, families and the community at large. The network that will enhance communications and research capabilities form a single entry, multi-disciplinary system of coordinated care with expertise in research, diagnostics, policy development and advocacy, case management/services/support, treatment and pre-service teacher education by developing a knowledge web-based portal.

Baptist Health Wolfson and Adult Tower Initiative, $2,000,000
Baptist Health System, Duval County, Florida

Funds will be used to acquire and install an Intra-Operative MRI (iMRI) for Wolfson's Children's Hospital to treat pediatric brain tumors, with availability for adult applications when practical. With the incidence of brain tumors on the rise, being the #1 cause of cancer deaths in children, the iMRI is a vital tool in being able to provide a quality standard of medical care for this tragic disease.

Beverly Press Center, $750,000
Miami Beach Community Health Center, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used for renovation and construction at the Beverly Press Center. Part of the Miami Beach Community Health Center (MBCHC), it is dedicated to helping the uninsured and underinsured in South Florida obtain affordable, quality and professional medical care. The expansion of the Beverly Press Center will provide permanent health care jobs and temporary construction jobs while protecting the vital service of helping the uninsured and underinsured.

Camillus House, Inc. Construction of New Behavorial Health Facility for Homeless, $3,633,000
Camillus House, Inc., Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used for facilities and equipment for Camillus House's new behavioral health facility for the homeless. The new campus will provide 340 beds of emergency, treatment, and permanent housing, as well as comprehensive support services of mental health and addiction treatment, employment training, primary health care, HIV/AIDS education, homeless prevention services, and basic human services of food, clothing, showers, and overnight shelter. Camillus is committed to ending chronic homelessness in Miami within the next 10 years.

Carrie Meek Health Sciences Facility, $1,000,000
HRSA: Florida Memorial University, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used for the renovation and expansion of the Health Sciences Building, which will enable faculty to engage actively and continually in front-line research, prepare students for careers in STEM -

related fields, and most importantly, generate funds for further research and enhanced graduate/undergraduate recruitment. By expanding and renovating this center for scientific learning, Florida Memorial will be more acutely equipped to prepare more students in the science-related fields for highly specialized careers in a 21st century workforce.

Center for Regenerative Medicine, $1,900,000
Diabetes Research Institute, Broward County, Florida

Funds will be used for the proposed Center for Regenerative Medicine; a relatively low-cost step towards securing increased US competitiveness in the area of stem cell research because it leverages a highly successful model of translational research and cell product distribution already in place at the Diabetes Research Institute (DRI), and applies that model to adult (not embryonic) stem cell research. This proposal requests funding to complement the existing expertise, infrastructure, and training program and extends it to the following adult stem cell programs already under development.

Climate Change Education Initiative, $203,000
Florida Aquarium, Hillsborough County, Florida

Funds will be used to expand the Florida Aquarium's education programming to additional school districts across the state. Currently the education program thrives in the seven county region around Tampa, however, school districts from across Florida have been involved and more and more of them are requesting the Aquarium's program be incorporated into the curriculum for students and teachers alike.

Clinical Simulation Laboratory, $500,000
Florida Community College At Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida

Funds will be used for its Clinical Simulation Laboratory which will replicate a realistic practice setting for its nursing and other health care professionals. The Simulation Laboratory which will allow FCCJ nursing and allied health care professionals to "practice" on simulators, before working with human patients. This will improve training and also help substitute for some of the time that these students are required to spend in limited clinical rotations slots at area hospitals or other medical centers.

Completion of the Children's Medical Services Bldg, 910 North Jefferson St, Jacksonville, $600,000
Children's Medical Services (CMS), Florida DOH, Duval County, Florida

Funds will be used for the Children's Medical Services Building in Jacksonville. CMS is an agency of the State of Florida Department of Health dedicated to providing access to health care for Florida's children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN). The Jacksonville CMS office serves more than 5000 CSHCN, the highest number of children served by any CMS office.

Colleges and Universities: Transforming communities by meeting educational and societal needs, $1,000,000
Florida Campus Compact, Leon County, Florida

Funds will be used to better engage colleges and universities as civic institutions to meet the human, economic, educational, and environmental needs of Florida communities while improving student learning outcomes and expanding community-based research. This project will employ proven methods of teaching and learning that will simultaneously contribute to solving a wide range of community needs. Consistent with President Obama's call to volunteer service, these activities will engage thousands of stakeholders in service throughout our communities.

Design and implementation an electronic Health Record for the Miami Jewish Home and Hospital, $1,000,000
Miami Jewish Home And Hospital For The Aged, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used to identify, purchase and implement an electronic health record for the Miami Jewish Home and Hospital for the Aged and its affiliates. This will allow better transparency in the

provision of health services to the components of the MJHH health system and allow the health to better interact with a community wide health system. It is our strong belief that this will reduce transaction costs, improve health services coordination, reduce medical errors and improve patient outcomes.

Dorothy Mangurian Comprehensive Women's Center, $260,000
Holy Cross Hospital, Inc., Broward County, Florida

Funds will be used for equipment at the Center, which will provide women with convenient and efficient access to a variety of vital outpatient services at a single location, regardless of a woman's ability to pay. By integrating physician care, diagnostic services, and ancillary care in an expeditious manner, the facility will give women confidence that their healthcare needs are being addressed and channeled appropriately.

Educator's Support Program, $1,300,000
School District Of Palm Beach County, Palm Beach County, Florida

Funds will be used to train veteran educators to mentor new educators, teachers, and principals. The requested funding would allow the School District to expand and continue the existing program, combat the District-wide educator shortage and retain "highly qualified teachers" which as required by No Child Left Behind.

Electronic Medical Records, $800,000
University Community Hospital, Hillsborough County, Florida

Funds will be used to launch phase I of EMR: Implementation of the Master Patient Index (MPI) cleanup software. This system is part of the planned continuity between physician and nursing documentation that will limit errors and provide a consistent, reliable mechanism for following patient care.

Emergency Aid to Military Families in Crisis, $256,434
American Red Cross Greater Miami & The Keys, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used for expanding services to military personnel and their families. The American Red Cross seeks to strengthen Services to the Armed Forces Program by expanding emergency communications capabilities, creating an emergency relief fund, and providing family support services to military personnel and their families in the Greater Miami and the Keys area.

Expanded Health Care Services for the Homeless, $359,375
The Sulzbacher Center, Duval County, Florida

Funds will be used to purchase vital equipment for the provision of medical care to homeless and uninsured poor persons at the Sulzbacher Center's two clinic locations. In addition to emergency shelter, this 334-bed facility also provides comprehensive case management services, clothing, meals, employment assistance, and more to homeless men, women and children living in Jacksonville (Duval County). The Sulzbacher Center is the only full-time alternative to emergency room treatment for homeless and uninsured persons who have no other access to healthcare.

Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne, FL. for autism treatment, training and research, $2,400,000
Florida Institute Of Technology, Brevard County, Florida

Funds will be used by the Florida Institute of Technology to continue the establishment of a nationally recognized center for the treatment and research of autism and related disabilities. The requested funds will support three main initiatives: Expansion of Services Provided to the Community; Continuation of the Research Initiative; Community Training and Outreach, including workshops; individual family training; equipment to expand services conducted by way of telecom to families' homes; feeding disorders program; and social skills training programs for children with Asperger's Syndrome.

Florida Mobile Outreach Skills Training Program, $5,000,000
Florida Manufacturing Expension Partnership, Osceola County, Florida

Funds will be used to deploy the proven Mobile Occupational Skills Training (M.O.S.T.) Program in Florida as an immediate job creation solution by which up to 500 individuals from the disadvantaged population including the unemployed, returning Veterans, and recipients for Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF) would be trained and placed in newly created or existing vacant entry-level vacant jobs in manufacturing sectors. M.O.S.T. is a three-phase rapid training and job placement initiative in which nearly 100% of trainees who successfully complete the 2-week Phase I receive job offers from participating employers.

Foster Care Education Center, $2,200,000
Daniel Memorial, Inc., Duval County, Florida

Funds will be used for the construction of a new Foster Care Education Center. A new 7,722 square-foot Education Center, complete with classrooms and computer labs, will enable our children to complete full school days, helping to alleviate the academic gap, while teaching them valuable social skills. It will also offer the space to accommodate more teachers over time as needed and dramatically enhance the instruction of youth awaiting new school placements due to changes in foster care.

Health Care for the Uninsured and Underserved, $100,000
Willa Carson Health Resource Center, Pinellas County, Florida

Funds will be used to provide accessible culturally sensitive health care to the uninsured and underserved. Community Healthy Centers lead to lower health care costs by offering primary health care to treat, maintain, prevent diseases and decrease emergency room visits, and to make preventative health care available and accessible to those workers hurt by the economy through loss of jobs and/or health care insurance.

Healthy Steps, $250,000
Children's Services Council Of Palm Beach County, Palm Beach County, Florida

Funds will be used to support Healthy Steps, a nationally recognized evidence-based initiative that emphasizes a close relationship between health care professionals and parents in addressing the physical, emotional, and intellectual growth and development of children from birth to age three.

Institute for Collaborative Sciences Research, $2,600,000
Barry University, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used to continue the expansion and renovation of Barry's teaching and research facilities to prepare minority leaders in the science professions. Additionally, the Institute will facilitate nationally valuable research and address the nation's shortage of healthcare professionals.

JAFCO Respite House & Family Support Center for Children with Autism, $500,000
Jewish Adoption and Foster Care Options Inc., Broward County, Florida

Funds will be used to construct a Respite House for Children with Autism, to provide temporary respite services (i.e family caregiver relief, health training, counseling and socialization). Building this respite home and support center will allow the parents and siblings of children with ASD to have an essential break from the overwhelming stressors of parenting and caring for a child with special needs, and an opportunity for training and counseling to be better equipped to maintain their essential caregiver roles and responsibilities. It will create 50 new jobs in direct care, therapy, social work and management.

JU-Baptist Health of Northeast Florida Health Information Technology (HIT) Initiative, $446,000
Jacksonville University, Duval County, Florida

Funds will be used to support a partnership initiative with Baptist Health system for the development of an academic Center for Health Information Technology. The Center for Health Information Technology at Jacksonville University will feature a clinical laboratory equipped with state-of-the-art technology, including a patient simulation center that is integrated with a clinical information system. Competency in health information technologies is now an essential component of the baccalaureate nursing curriculum.

Jackson Health System Health Information Technology Infrastructure Upgrades, $5,000,000
Jackson Health System, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used to upgrade Jackson Health System's health information technology infrastructure. By upgrading its health information technology infrastructure, Jackson will improve patient outcomes and ensure the most efficient treatment and patient management. The state-of-the-art information system Jackson intends to implement can serve as a model for all medical centers seeking to implement efficient and cost effective information technology systems.

Jessie Trice Health Promotion Medical Home Advocate Pilot Project, $750,000
Health Choice Network, Inc., Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used by to implement a Medical Home Advocate & Outreach model in five diverse settings to assess the model's impact on patient health outcomes and target health disparities. A regular, continuous, coordinated, patient-centered source of health care - a Medical Home - prevents sickness, manages chronic illness, and reduces the need for costly emergency room visits and hospitalizations.

Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital Expansion Project, $1,000,000
Memorial Healthcare System, Broward County, Florida

Funds will be used for construction and equipment to expand the Children's Hospital. Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital will be expanding and building a new four-story children's hospital pavilion. The growth of the hospital and the number of patients needing admission has been so substantial that JDCH has reached a level that necessitates a dedicated separate and distinct space for pediatric services.

Leon County Science/Technology Enrichment Program, $500,000
Leon County Schools, Leon County, Florida

Funds will be used by Leon County Schools to create gifted and talented enrichment programs that allow for experiential learning and extracurricular activities for students who need additional challenges during the day. Through creative problem solving and on-going enrichment activities, gifted and talented students will be engaged in higher-order thinking in areas that are crucial to our economy.

Math Heroes, $4,000,000
The School Board Of Orange County, Florida, Orange County, Florida

Funds will be used to develop an immersive game-based technology to enhance math learning (especially Algebra) for OCPS students. The benefits of Math Heroes will be: the creation of an engaging math-learning environment through the use of a fully immersive gaming environment; allowing teachers to become active facilitators, rather than just deliverers of instruction; increased access to math instruction through a Web-based function; different learning modalities can be used/ learning disabilities can be accommodated; the pace of instruction can be personalized; and math exercises can include multiple users in multiple locations.

Mobile Rural Nurse Training Network, $249,818
Lake City Community College, Columbia County, Florida

Funds will be used by Lake City Community College and North Florida Community College to address workforce development demands through the creation of two mobile clinical training labs with

state-of-the-art patient simulators. These labs will be housed in out-of-use ambulances donated by Columbia County and will provide nurse trainees "hands on" experience delivering health care in real world settings. The mobile labs will increase access to these critical training resources throughout the region, subsequently increasing the numbers of nurses who graduate each year to fill essential health care jobs.

Moffitt Cancer Center - Lifelink Program, $1,800,000
Moffitt Cancer Center, Hillsborough County, Florida

Funds will be used for the Moffitt LifeLink, an online patient portal technology solution that will provide cancer patients with anytime, anywhere access to an unmatched range of personalized cancer care services and customized education offerings developed through the Moffitt Total Cancer Care (TCC) initiative. LifeLink will remain available to patients after treatment, providing a safety-net of psychosocial services for survivors of cancer and their families, while continuing to gather information on long term effects and outcomes that will allow ongoing refinement of treatments and protocols for similar patients in the future.

Multi-disciplinary Simulation Training Center, $800,000
Florida Hospital Orlando, Orange County, Florida

Funds will be used for building and implementing a Multi-disciplinary Simulation space which includes a simulated OR (flexible space convertible to accommodate other modality training such as delivery etc) emergency treatment room, an ICU patient room (with flexible wall structure to enable convertible space to allow for larger simulation scenario training), four to six patient rooms, a surgical task trainer room and a bio-skill training lab. Simulation directly aligns to the strategic initiatives of promoting safety, quality and clinical outcomes by providing a mechanism to further propagate learning, promote safe practices and competencies.

National Family Care Giver Initiative, $300,000
Jewish Family And Children's Service (JFCS), Sarasota County, Florida

Funding will be used to provide services in line with the National Family Care Giver Support Project. Through implementation of System of Care and Wrap Facilitation technologies and philosophies proven to address the key elements indicated above for Mental Health Systems funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration, JFCS intends to positively address the challenges faced by Care Givers, their loved one's and extended family/support systems. Family and extended family involvement coupled with community collaboration results in high quality, low cost, non-redundant services and supports.

National Flight Academy Distance Learning Outfitting, $2,160,000
National Flight Academy, Escambia County, Florida

Funds will be used to develop the most effective technology and equipment to help students learn. The technology interface will be researched and designed to provide the most effective educational impact for the students. By using technology in new and fun ways, NFA will use simulators to keep students engaged and help them develop a sincere interest in math and science.

Neonatal Intensive Care Project, $1,000,000
Tampa General Hospital, Hillsborough County, Florida

Funds will be used to renovate and expand an existing Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Tampa General Hospital. In the 1980's when the NICU was built, standard design across the country was an open space plan with no private spaces resulting in all babies receiving the same light and noise levels. However, research has found that a more private setting with a more controlled environment can help a baby's healing process. Early intervention and improved health outcomes will result in less health care costs as these babies grow and mature. This project will create approximately 150 jobs during its

construction and allow TGH to hire approximately 70 additional health care professionals (primarily RNs) with the facility's expansion.

Nova Southeastern University Hlth Prof Div Center for Medical Education & Patient Safety, $1,000,000
Nova Southeastern University, Broward County, Florida

Funds will be used to integrate electronic technology such as the Electronic Patient Record with the electronically equipped mannequins (i.e., electronic patient simulators) of an interdisciplinary patient simulation laboratory. This will develop new physicians and other health professionals in an environment that combines the most scientifically sophisticated training with a culture that emphasizes the protection of patient safety through the reduction of medical error. The results of these efforts and the medical errors that will be avoided will also help to reduce medical costs through the reduction of the need for litigation and malpractice costs as well as the reduction in malpractice insurance premiums.

Project CHILD (Changing How Instruction for Learning is Delivered), $2,000,000
Institute For School Innovation, Leon County, Florida

Funds will be used to expand a national network of innovative charter schools using the acclaimed Project CHILD instructional system developed at Florida State University and disseminated by the Institute for School Innovation. This project primarily focuses on transforming education for the 21st century, and also transforming our economy by producing students who are prepared with entrepreneurial and world class learning skills. Our project will expand a successful network of Imagine charter schools that have been established this year in several Florida districts including Broward, Manatee, Leon, Pasco, Sarasota, and Pinellas.

Project Restoration, $3,000,000
One Stop Vision Center For The Special Populatio, Hillsborough County, Florida

Funds will be used to provide an vocational and educational training to 100 low income, youth and adult ex-offenders and citizens with out a criminal record that resides in Hillsborough County/City of Tampa. Low employment rates seem closely related to the very high recidivism rates observed among those released from prison.

Rural Technology Enhancements, $700,000
Palm Beach Community College, Palm Beach County, Florida

Funds will be used to to expand a Web-based student response system (SRS) to PBCC's most rural campus to ensure that students in "high-need" study areas are given the most effective tools to prepare them to move into and remain competitive in a 21st Century workforce. The College will place priority on providing expanded infrastructure enhancements and equipment to the Belle Glade campus, which serves the rural, low income communities in western Palm Beach County and in eastern Hendry County to help close the technology gap between the rural and urban residents served by the PBCC system.

STORM CHASRR, $499,913
Broward House, Broward County, Florida

Funds will be used to positively redirect and intervene in the lives of HIV positive, racial minority groups that are substance abusing individuals, recently incarcerated, by unique, intensive case management customized for this population, linking them into comprehensive medical care and substance abuse services. This effort results in reduced crime, less substance abuse and reduced HIV infections in the community; it also offers a second chance for these clients to become productive members of society.

Santa Fe College Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program, $500,000
Santa Fe College, Alachua County, Florida

Funds will be used to establish a Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program at Santa Fe College. Clinical laboratory testing plays a role in detection, diagnosis, and treatment of disease. The critical workforce need is statewide and there is a shortage of existing training programs to address the gap in the number of graduates with the high demand for employment.

See the Difference...Vision Screening Program, $254,300
Prevent Blindness Florida, Hillsborough County, Florida

Funds will be used to provide financial assistance and resources for vision care to underserved families in Hillsborough, Pinellas, Orange, Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte, Collier, Lee and Leon Counties. The Florida Health Insurance Study, August 2005, states that 19.2% of Floridians under 65 are uninsured and without access to essential vision health and safety services.

Shands Jacksonville Imaging Equipment Upgrades, $2,400,000
Shands Healthcare, Alachua County, Florida

Funds will be used to purchase a biplane angiography system to improve patient care, enhance operational efficiency, and replace outdated equipment. This leading imaging system reduces diagnostic and procedure time while helping patients avoid more invasive procedures for aneurysms, clotted arteries, stroke and spinal disease. This equipment is critical to providing the highest quality of care to patients and teaching medical students how to use the most up-to-date diagnostic equipment.

Smoke Free Society Education Center, $500,000
Smoke Free Society Education Corporation (SFSEC), Palm Beach County, Florida

Funds will be used to establish and operate this first-of-its-kind, research and education center in Palm Beach County. Increase education and awareness to our children to help prevent them from a lifelong addiction to smoking and tobacco use, and to aid smokers to quit, helping save their heath and wealth. A tobacco-free lifestyle can increase safety, productivity and cost savings, while eliminating disability, disease and death caused by tobacco use.

South Santa Rosa County Special Purpose Center, $1,528,510
Pensacola Junior College, Escambia County, Florida

Funds will be used to accelerate the completion of the infrastructure for the Pensacola Junior College South Santa Rosa County Support Center. Phase 1 of the project, in conjunction with Santa Rosa County School District, will provide vocational opportunities for the training and retraining of skilled workers. The State Board of Education and the Florida Legislature have both recognized the critical need for a postsecondary facility, which will also serve the Santa Rosa County School District through joint use functions.

St. Joseph's Children's Hospital of Tampa Chronic Complex Children Clinic, $450,000
BayCare Health System, Pinellas County, Florida

Funds will be used to support our multidisciplinary patient-focused services for children with chronic and complex illnesses, provide care to more children in need, and continue our research on how the program improves service and outcomes while reducing cost. By continuing this program and conducting further research regarding its effectiveness, it may potentially serve as a state and national model of care for children with chronic and complex illnesses.

Storm Surge Emergency Power Protection, $5,000,000
Mount Sinai Medical Center, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used by Mount Sinai Medical Center, Miami Beach's primary community health care provider and designated Emergency Command Center, to support the construction of a disaster resistant, centralized, redundant, 5-bay power facility. This Project will ensure the institution's patient care services and facilities are operable during disaster events, such as recent hurricanes Wilma, Rita,

Katrina, Jeanne, Ivan, Frances, and Charley. The Storm Surge Emergency Power Protection Project will save the lives of our patients who depend on equipment and technology that require electricity.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Programs, $1,000,000
Community Rehabilitation Center (crc), Inc., Duval County, Florida

Funds will be used to allow CRC to address substance abuse, HIV/AIDS and other issues in the inner city. The Florida Department of Health recently released data that indicated HIV/AIDS is increasing in Florida and the 12th Annual Retrovirus Conference revealed that there was an increase in HIV/AIDS among poor and substance abuse individuals. The project would lower healthcare costs and help workers hurt by the economy.

T3 - Teacher Technology Training Project, $4,000,000
Seminole County Public Schools, Seminole County, Florida

Funds will be used for the T3 project to develop teacher technology professional development courses to instruct teachers in the Seminole County Public School district on how to effectively utilize technology in the classroom to make learning relevant, accessible, and enjoyable for students in the 21st century. The T3 project is designed to provide professional development to teachers on strategies and pedagogies that promote student engagement and the development of deep understanding of math and science concepts and applications.

The 40th ACCORD, Inc. Freedom Trail Project, $318,000
The 40th Anniversary To Commemorate The Civil Ri, Saint Johns County, Florida

Funds for The St. Augustine Freedom Trail Project will be used to purchase a RV equipped to function as a traveling museum to promote the Freedom Trail in St. Augustine, FL. and to educate the public on one of the greatest events that took place in American History. Although a study of the Civil Rights movement of the 1960's is in the required curriculum of Sunshine State Standards, no recognition of the role of our own townspeople is included. Few teachers and fewer students are even aware of what occurred here in St. Augustine that has directly impacted their lives and the lives of all Americans.

The Civics Connection, $478,000
Florida Joint Center for Citizenship, Orange County, Florida

Funds will be used to establish a partnership with the United States Former Members of Congress and the Presidential Classroom to launch a pilot program that will engage our nation' s leaders in mentoring the next generation of citizens. Former members of Congress will help young people to understand Congress, to appreciate the critical issues that it must address from session to session, and to develop the skills to be able to influence public policy outcomes in their communities, states, and the nation.

USF Polytechnic Phase II-A Interdisciplinary Center for Excellence and Wellness Research, $5,000,000
University Of South Florida Polytechnic, Polk County, Florida

Funds will be used to construct and equip a campus facility to provide educational, health and wellness opportunities within USF Polytechnic's central Florida service area. The completion of the Phase IIA facility assures the university's ability to create job growth in fields that are in critical demand with an ever growing need and not only to ensure its capacity to grow with the community but also to provide the services necessary to demonstrate USF's institutional vision to realize quality of life integration with Central Florida communities and areas.

United Way Center for Excellence in Early Education, $500,000
United Way Of Miami-Dade, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used to support the United Way Center for Excellence in Early Education in its work to elevate the quality of early care and education programs so that all children start school eager and ready to learn. By addressing the need for high-quality early care and education programs, we can: ensure that children are ready to enter kindergarten; increase high school graduation rates and college attendance; reduce special education costs; encourage family stability; and stimulate and sustain economic development.

Urban Advantage: A National Science Education Initiative, $5,000,000
Zoological Society Of Florida, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Funds will be used to support the first year's pilot implementation, which will include more than 1,800 sixth through eighth grade students and their families, and 36 teachers and administrators in the Miami-Dade County public schools. Urban Advantage (UA) is a national science education program for middle schools designed in partnership between urban science cultural institutions and school districts.

Using 21st Century Technology to Improve the Health of Low Income Seniors Project, $125,000
Joseph Meyerhoff Senior Center, Broward County, Florida

Funds will be used to provide technology, training and support to low-income seniors to access health information and promote health and fitness.n As more and more public and private health related programs and services are becoming web-based, a program like this is essential to ensure that older adults are trained and have access to web-based services and information to ensure their health and related independence and quality of life. This program will be available to all 1500 Seniors who use the Center, annually.

Vice Admiral John H. Fetterman State of Florida Maritime Museum Education Center, $1,000,000
University Of West Florida, Escambia County, Florida

Funds will be used to develop an Education Center and related educational programs within the Vice Admiral John H. Fetterman State of Florida Maritime Museum and Research Center in partnership with Northwest Florida public school districts for the purpose of engaging K-12 students in 21st century learning. Designed to deliver 21st century education through innovative exhibits and relevant education programs, the Education Center will complement grade-specific needs for in-class studies and address Florida Department of Education Sunshine State Standards, including STEM-related disciplines.

Vince Carter Sanctuary, $1,000,000
Stewart-Marchman-Act Foundation, Inc., Volusia County, Florida

Funds will be used for the construction of a 100-bed substance abuse treatment, education, and research center to be located in Bunnell, Florida on land donated for this purpose by the Flagler County Commission.

Virtual Elementary HUB, $400,000
The Florida Virtual School, Orange County, Florida

Funds will be used to supplement state of Florida funds to provide high quality, innovative, technology-based elementary educational alternatives for students, teachers, parents, and schools which develop the whole child while fostering academic excellence, lifelong learning, creativity and skills for success in the 21st Century. Staff will work with families, schools and districts to provide an array of services that will meet the variety of needs within our state and establish 21st Century programs which will empower, enable and connect students.