



CHANCELLOR'S NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2023 UPDATE

Chancellor's Message

Trustees,

As we continue to monitor and respond to the 2023 Legislative Session, it is important to highlight the State University System's enormous impact on the state of Florida's current and future economic success. Over the last several years, we have leaned in to raise the System's research profile and address the research needs of the state. Our goal is to ensure we do the very best job possible of communicating the impact of each of our universities, the benefit to our students, and the importance of our role in our state's economic growth and development. I look forward to continuing to develop our partnership with the legislature so our students can continue to benefit from a high quality education at a low cost.

Ray Rodrigues

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SAVE THE DATE!

WHAT: Trustee Summit 2023

WHO: Board of Governors Members, Trustees, Presidents

WHERE: UCF Main Campus, Student Union, Pegasus Ballroom

WHEN: November 8, 2023 from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

More details and registration information will be sent out in the next few months.

House and Senate Budget Recommendations

House Highlights

- **\$50M** in Performance-Based Funding Recruitment and Retention
- **\$1.7M** in FL Postsecondary Academic Library Network (matches the Board's request)
- **\$3.9M** for UF/IFAS Extension Workload (matches the Board's request)
- **\$82,500** for Johnson Scholarships (matches the Board's request)
- **\$10M** for UF-Hamilton Center
- **\$15M** for NCF Operational Enhancement
- **\$26.1M** for other university initiatives

Fixed Capital Outlay:

- \$350M for 30 projects. Of these, 15 were on the Board's PECO funding list. CITF is fully funded at \$44M, which matches the Board's request. The Board's request for maintenance funding is not included.

Senate Highlights

- **\$350M** Performance-Based Funding (matches Board's request)
- **\$100M** for Performance-Based Funding Excellence (matches the Board's request)
- **\$25M** for Performance-Based Funding Improvement (matches the Board's request)
- **\$100M** for Preeminent Universities (matches the Board's request)
- **\$3.9M** for UF/IFAS Extension Workload (matches the Board's request)
- **\$82,500** for Johnson Scholarships (matches the Board's request)
- **\$5M** for UF-Hamilton Center
- **\$15M** for NCF Operational Enhancement
- **\$69M** for other university initiatives

Fixed Capital Outlay:

- \$416M for 30 projects. Of these, 17 were on the Board's PECO funding list. CITF is fully funded at \$44M, which matches the Board's request. The Board's request for maintenance funding is not included.

Leading the way in research and innovation

Return on investment in research continues to increase, producing gains in the amount of economic impact & number of jobs



\$2.56 B Total research expenditures

Representing a **10%** year-over-year increase, which supports the System's goal of reaching **\$3 B** in research in 2025.

SUS Federal Research Expenditures have

increased 26% in the last five years.

This increase demonstrates that our institutions have successfully competed for federal research awards

Florida is the

5th

largest public system in the nation for research expenditures

SUS institutions collaborated across the system on **169 federal awards**



SUS ranks **2nd** for tech transfers in the nation!

Technology transfers include sharing knowledge or technologies to promote product and service commercialization.



IN LOVING MEMORY OF



LEWIS BEAR

who passed away on the 3rd of March, 2023.

"Lewis Bear was most known for his deep generosity and sense of community. He was an unwavering force for good across Northwest Florida. He served on UWF's board of trustees for more than a decade, using his business acumen to establish best practices and procedures to lay a foundation for the academic success of the students at the university. It is difficult to imagine Northwest Florida without Lewis Bear, but his impact will be felt for generations."

Brian Lamb, Chair of the Board of Governors