

**Program Administrator Report  
Triumph Gulf Coast Board Meeting  
August 16, 2019**

The Triumph Gulf Coast staff continues to meet regularly with applicants and potential applicants, to review pre-applications, applications and to negotiate term-sheets and agreements.

Staff also continues to work with grantees on the implementation of the projects and the accompanying compliance activities.

Triumph staff are working with the Auditor General on the 2019 Audit.

**Pre Applications**

As of Friday, August 9, 2019, Triumph Gulf Coast had received 203 Pre-Applications totaling \$1,619,973,906 in requests. 3 new pre-applications were received between June 15 and August 9, 2019.

Triumph Staff reviewed the information provided by each applicant on the pre-application form and the priorities for economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement to be awarded grants under s. 288.8017, F.S.:

*288.8017 Awards.—*

*(1) Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc., shall make awards from available funds to projects or programs that meet the priorities for economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties. Awards may be provided for:*

- (a) Ad valorem tax rate reduction within disproportionately affected counties;*
- (b) Local match requirements of s. 288.0655 for projects in the disproportionately affected counties;*
- (c) Public infrastructure projects for construction, expansion, or maintenance which are shown to enhance economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties;*
- (d) Grants to local governments in the disproportionately affected counties to establish and maintain equipment and trained personnel for local action plans of response to respond to disasters, such as plans created for the Coastal Impacts Assistance Program;*
- (e) Grants to support programs that prepare students for future occupations and careers at K-20 institutions that have campuses in the disproportionately affected counties. Eligible programs include those that increase students' technology skills and knowledge; encourage industry certifications; provide rigorous, alternative pathways for students to meet high school graduation requirements; strengthen career readiness initiatives; fund high-demand programs of emphasis at the bachelor's and master's level designated by the Board of Governors; and, similar to or the same as talent retention programs created by the Chancellor of the State University System and the Commission of Education, encourage students with interest or aptitude for science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medical*

*disciplines to pursue postsecondary education at a state university or a Florida College System institution within the disproportionately affected counties;*

*(f) Grants to support programs that provide participants in the disproportionately affected counties with transferable, sustainable workforce skills that are not confined to a single employer; and*

*(g) Grants to the tourism entity created under s. 288.1226 for the purpose of advertising and promoting tourism and Fresh From Florida, and grants to promote workforce and infrastructure, on behalf of all of the disproportionately affected counties.*

- Two Pre-applications are pending declaration of eligibility with the approval of this report: 204 and 205.
- One Pre-application is pending declarations of ineligibility, based on the information in their pre-application, with approval of this report.
  - Earth Steps LLC, Renewable Energy Product Manufacturing, \$13,000,000 Wakulla

**Applications**

As of Friday, August 9, 2019, Triumph Gulf Coast had received 72 Applications totaling \$595,539,866.51 in requests.

- 24 Applications have resulted in Triumph Approved Grant Agreements, are proposed for Final Grant Agreement, have Term Sheets proposed for approval, have Term Sheets currently being negotiated or are recommended by Staff to move to Term Sheets on August 16, 2019.
- 5 Applications have been Withdrawn by the Applicant.
- 6 Applications have been placed on Hold by the Applicant.
- 25 Applications have been sent a letter of disposition indicating a “C” score, or lower.
- 12 remaining Applications are under active review by Triumph Gulf Coast staff or have indicated an intention to amend or withdraw their requests.

New Applications received June 15 – August 9, 2019:

Children’s Home Society of FL, Creating Tomorrow’s Workforce with Weis	\$3,283,484	Escambia
Franklin County BOCC, Apalachicola Regional Airport Fuel System Upgrade	\$1,084,000	Franklin
Santa Rosa County BOCC, Project Runner Ad Valorem Tax Reduction	\$3,500,000	Santa Rosa
Santa Rosa County BOCC, Project Runner Infrastructure	\$4,500,000	Santa Rosa

**Triumph staff proposes that the Board approve the final agreement with:**

#187 Northwest Florida State College, Walton Works Training Center of Excellence \$2,763,716

**Triumph staff proposes that the Board approve the Term Sheet and authorize Triumph staff and counsel to finalize a contract with:**

#46 Okaloosa BOCC, Southwest Crestview Bypass (if received)	\$64,100,000
#198 Wakulla County School District, UAS/VSO Certification Program (CTE Phase II)	\$1,780,000

**Triumph staff proposes that the Board consider authorizing counsel and staff to negotiate a Term Sheet with:**

#200 Franklin County School District, Career and Technical Training, Phase II	\$1,215,000
#163 Santa Rosa County BOCC, Project Runner Ad Valorem Tax Reduction	\$3,500,000
#205 Santa Rosa County BOCC, Project Runner Infrastructure	\$4,500,000
#190 Walton, US 331 Infrastructure	\$1,742,407