

LFIR # 2397

1. Project Title	Hardee County - Hardee Commerce Park Building for Economic
	Development

2. Senate Sponsor Ben Albritton

3. Date of Request 02/23/2023

4. Project/Program Description

Plan, Design and construct a 100,000 square foot commercial building located in the Commerce/Business Park.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Economic Opportunity

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	11,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	11,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	11,000,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	11,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

No

No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

No

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.



Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

📀 Planning	ODesign	Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?	
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c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

No

09/01/2023 09/01/2024

The Hardee County Economic Council

13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	Contractual services for preliminary engineering, planning, final design, permitting, bidding, administration, project management and construction.	11,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		

14. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?

The building affords the Hardee County Economic Development Council (EDC) the opportunity to market ourselves to a larger manufacturing audience. Our limited funds restrict us to building smaller buildings for lease. Population is encroaching on the rural county of Hardee. Our Business/Commerce Park has direct access to Interstate 75 via State Road 62

b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

Funds will be used for engineering, planning, final design, permitting, bidding, administration, project management and construction.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?



This is unknown at this time. This project is a spec building we will use to attract larger manufactures to the area. The building will be utilized for a manufacturing business that will create jobs for the residents of Hardee County.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

Job creation for the general public in Hardee County including manufacturing and construction jobs

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

Create up to 100 Manufacturing jobs. EDC office will market and attract a manufacture for this space and monitor job creation though a contractual relationship.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?

Standard Penalties per state law.

15. Requester Contact Information

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c. Organization Ty	ре				
□For Profit Entity					
⊠Non Profit 501(c	:)(3)				
□Non Profit 501(c	:)(4)				
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b. Firm Name	None				



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