



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2506

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Since 2015, YMCA of Greater St. Petersburg has worked with Pinellas County Schools to develop an innovative plan to use the school district's vacant property on 62nd Ave. NE in St. Petersburg for the benefit of the community. After much collaboration, a unique campus concept has been developed with a YMCA facility - since named the Speer YMCA - and a public middle school sharing this campus together. This shared campus will simultaneously address the larger needs of the students, their families, and the surrounding community. By teaming up, Pinellas County Schools and the YMCA aim to eliminate barriers to access and bring families from low and high-income families together, all while promoting health, education and social equity.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>2,500,000</b>

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)	2,500,000	10%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	22,400,000	90%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>24,900,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?**
- a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**
- b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**



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The YMCA continues to develop financial resources to support this capital project to include private donors, foundation and corporations. The YMCA has also secured \$12 million in gap financing that will be utilized during construction. While it is not the intention of the YMCA to have a mortgage for the Speer YMCA, the current private funds raised (\$13.5 million) in addition to the gap financing of \$12 million ensures the financial resources are in place to finish construction.

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

Yes

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

2022: ELC ARPA Childcare Stabilization \$755k  
2021: ELC CARES \$1,276,000 / PPP \$1,643,500  
2020: PPP \$1,538,917.44

## Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

#### 11. Status of Construction

##### a. What is the current phase of the project?

☐ Planning ☐ Design ☒ Construction

##### b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

Yes

##### c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

06/2022

##### d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/2023

#### 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.

Facility is owned by the YMCA of Greater St. Petersburg, Inc. - a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization. No individuals will receive any portion of any fixed capital outlay funding.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		



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Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	\$350,000 Athletic Fields completion, \$100,000 Architectural Fees, \$1,500,000 Construction of the Pool, \$150,000 Contract Fees, \$125,000 Elevator, \$125,000 HVAC equipment, \$150,000 Contractor Fees	2,500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>2,500,000</b>

#### 14. Program Performance

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

The requested funding will support the cost of building of the new Y as part of the Speer YMCA project which also includes a new middle school. Pinellas County Schools has designated the new middle school a "health and wellness leadership magnet" with the feeder elementary school to be Lakewood Elementary located in south St. Petersburg. In this safe, supportive environment, we have an opportunity to shepherd our community's most treasured assets and foster tomorrow's leaders. The 68,643 square foot YMCA facility plan includes the following: Wellness Center, Aquatic Complex with Outdoor Pool/Splash Pad, Kid Zone/Teen Gaming Room, Sports Complex including athletic field and track, Teaching Kitchen, Gymnasium, and Family Consumer Science Center. This new YMCA campus will bring programs and services to the north St. Petersburg community that have had such a positive impact elsewhere in St. Petersburg, including neighborhoods in need of revitalization and economic development.

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

The 68,643 square foot YMCA facility will make the following available to the community: Wellness Center, Aquatic Complex with Outdoor Pool/Splash Pad, Kid Zone/Teen Gaming Room, Sports Complex including athletic field and track, Teaching Kitchen, Gymnasium, and Family Consumer Science Center. Additionally, there will be a variety of programming that will be offered to the community served by the Speer Y. The Speer Y will host a wide variety of youth and adult sports, reading programs for children, community engagement events, and healthy lifestyle programming to positively impact the community. Low income and under-served residents will be able to take advantage of free programming offered at this facility.

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

The new Speer YMCA will host a YReads! site, as well as before and after school child care, Livestrong at the Y (cancer recovery), Diabetes Prevention Program, Delay the Disease (Parkinson's), Blood Pressure Monitoring, YMCA Weight Loss Program, Fall Prevention Program, and a wide variety of youth and adult sports as well as as community engagement programming to include Family Fun Night, Healthy Kids Day, the YMCA Neighbor to Neighbor Christmas program, and other community engagement events and programming. Swim Lessons and Drowning Prevention is always a top priority of YMCA programming.

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

The footprint of the YMCA of Greater St. Petersburg is south of Ulmerton Rd and north of the Sunshine Skyway in Pinellas County. We serve 19,034 individuals annually throughout southern Pinellas with two wellness facilities, three resource centers, three preschools, and 24 before and after school childcare locations to include three middle school academic enrichment academies. This facility will be a lifeline in an area that has an underserved population with a high socially vulnerable index within a half mile of the Speer YMCA. Low income and underserved residents will be able to take advantage of free programming offered at this facility. The YMCA has financial assistance available based on need, and no one is turned away for the inability to pay regardless of race, religion, income, or ability. This facility will provide flexible jobs and other opportunities that break down barriers for disproportionately impacted populations.

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

With the project currently under construction and slated for completion in December 2023, the expected benefit outcome of \$2,500,000 in funding allocation would be contribution of approximately 10% of the total resources needed to fund the project cost. Methodology is relatively straight-forward as these financial resources will be immediately utilized in construction cost payments.

##### 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?



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Penalty for failing to meet the deliverables will be the return of funding.

#### 15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name  Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.

#### 16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

#### c. Organization Type

- ☐ For Profit Entity
- ☒ Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- ☐ Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- ☐ Local Entity
- ☐ University or College
- ☐ Other (please specify)

d. First Name  Last Name

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number