



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2571

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

## 4. Project/Program Description

The City of Blountstown is seeking funding to support the construction of a new City Hall building in Blountstown, Florida. The existing City Hall building still suffers damages from Hurricane Michael, including a leaking roof and unstable structures. The existing site has a smaller parking lot and drive through that can be difficult to navigate during high-traffic times. The new site will provide an improved parking lot and drive through that will provide for easier access for both the residents and workers, as well as attempt to create a safer environment due to the location and turnouts to the main highway. The new City Hall will also include a new council chambers. The new facilities will be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to ensure service to all citizens. Additional funding is requested due to the increase of materials and labor for construction.

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	500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>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)	500,000	18%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	1,600,000	55%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	500,000	17%
Local	300,000	10%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>2,900,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding? 

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	0	500,000	2286A	No

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.

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



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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 ☒ Design ☐ Construction

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

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

4/30/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2024

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.

The City of Blountstown is the owner and requesting entity.

### 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>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construction of proposed facility	500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>500,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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



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The purpose for the requested funds is to construct a new City Hall building at a City-owned location. The existing City Hall building still suffers damages from Hurricane Michael, including a leaking roof and structural issues in one end of the building. The proposed City Hall building will offer a safe and welcoming site for residents and City workers and will be built to be compliant with the most current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements to accommodate all citizens. The new site will also provide an improved traffic flow with a parking lot and drive-through that are easily accessible.

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

The existing site is in a high-traffic area with difficult access to the drive through window. The new building site will be designed with providing safe ingress and egress in mind for residents and employees by creating easier access for parking and drive through. The new building will also provide a safer facility for the City employees as well as those that do business there. This will further allow the City to relocate from the existing facilities which are still suffering from damages due to Hurricane Michael.

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

The existing site is in a high-traffic area with difficult access to the parking lot and drive through window. The new site will be designed with safe ingress and egress in mind. Furthermore, an updated council room for public meetings will be provided and will allow the City to have all of their primary administrative functions in one location.

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

The target population is the City of Blountstown.

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

This project will result in a new City Hall and meeting complex. The project will be designed to provide safe ingress and egress, ADA compliant facilities, and a safer facility that is not damaged from Hurricane Michael.

**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?**

The City will work with the contracting agency to determine applicable measures, should funding be made available.

**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



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☐ 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