



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1261

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

4. Project/Program Description

Studies show that for every child in an after school program, there are three children waiting to get in. With over 50,000 school age children considered at-risk in Polk County, Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County aims to raise funding to expand the footprint of services to allow at-risk youth in Mulberry, Florida to access free after school and summer programming including high yield academic enrichment, resiliency skills education, mentoring, workforce readiness and physical and health wellness activities. Boys & Girls Club currently serves more than 2,500 at-risk youth ages 6 - 18 annually through high quality programming providing academic engagement, positive youth development, healthy lifestyles, workforce readiness skills and access to daily hot meals. This request is for funding to build a facility for Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County in Mulberry, Florida that will serve 200 youth daily.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?** Yes No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,000,000

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)	3,000,000	30%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	7,000,000	70%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	10,000,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** Yes No

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

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** Yes No
- a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**

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

N/A

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



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Yes

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

Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County received American Rescue Plan funding, EIDL loan and PPP loan to assist with continuity of programming and services to the community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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)?

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.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County, Inc.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Other Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	N/A	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	N/A	0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	N/A	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	N/A	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Funds requested to construct a building to serve 200 at-risk youth daily including a workforce readiness vocational center, culinary arts prep kitchen and a teen center with a recording studio and teen run coffee shop to engage in career readiness skills.	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

14. Program Performance

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



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Funds would allow the Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County to build a new facility in Mulberry, Florida to serve 200 at-risk youth daily through high-quality, proven activities in the areas of academic achievement, health and wellness, resiliency skills, sports and fitness and the arts. Programs are offered after school and during the summer at no cost to families. The facility would provide a dedicated space to provide academic, technology and workforce development programming.

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

Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County will construct a facility in Mulberry, Florida. The building will be used to serve approximately 200 at risk youth ages 6- 18 daily through high quality, data driven programming including academic enrichment, mentoring, workforce readiness, health and wellness. Services also include access to daily hot meals and parent resources.

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

The facility would allow Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County the location to provide after school and summer care to youth, mentoring, meals, workforce readiness programming and academic remediation for at-risk youth. Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County would also be able to provide parent resource events to connect families with much needed community resources and education.

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

Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County targets at-risk youth ages 6 - 18. This project would allow the program to serve 200 youth daily from the Mulberry, Florida area. Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County has been providing services to youth in Polk County for over 80 years with some of its current buildings having existed for 50 years. Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County hopes the new construction of the Wogan S. Badcock Jr. Boys & Girls Club in Mulberry would allow thousands of youth to be served over the next 50 years.

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

Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County believes in a whole child approach to after school and summer programming. By providing youth with a well rounded program that meets their needs for food insecurity, academic remediation, physical health and wellness, mental health and resiliency skills, youth are able to increase their academic achievement. With improved grades and school attendance, youth will have a higher on-time graduation rate leading to more successful futures.

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?

Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County would be expected to repay the funds should they not complete the project as agreed upon in the contract.

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



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- 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