



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2413

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This project includes construction of a covered livestock arena that would be utilized for livestock shows, concerts, rodeos, car shows, and other events. This building would be a 250x360 sq. ft. structure with 160x340 sq. ft. of arena space. This facility would have a regional impact and host events that attract visitors from a multi-county region and from southern Georgia.

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	10,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	10,000,000

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)	10,000,000	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	10,000,000	100%

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.

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

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



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The County received approximately \$3.5 million that has been used towards a variety of projects.

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?

08/01/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

05/51/2024

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 facility and associated land will be owned by Madison County, Florida.

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 will be used for all costs associated with the design, engineering, and construction of the facility above. Additional expenses may include site prep and utility extensions necessary to construct the structure.	10,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		10,000,000

14. Program Performance

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

Funds will be used to cover design, engineering, and construction expenses for the facility, and any other costs associated with the full development of the site and project. After the facility is constructed, it will be used to host various events, including rodeos, livestock shows, and car shows.

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



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The facility described in this document would allow the county to host various events, as described above.

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

Once the facility is constructed and operational, citizens will be offered the opportunity to observe and participate in various events, including rodeos and livestock shows. These events are critical for the economic development of the county. The facility described in this document would allow the county to host various events that would attract a regional audience. Visitors would naturally take advantage of the services offered by restaurants, hotels, and other local and small businesses located in the area.

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

This project will serve the 18,200+ residents of Madison County, in addition to individuals traveling to events from neighboring counties and South Georgia. Madison County is located directly south of the Georgia line, and is centrally located within North Florida. This facility would attract visitors from counties along the Interstate-10 corridor and from southern Georgia.

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

The construction of this facility will directly increase the number of agriculture-related events within Madison County, which will result in a greater level of public appreciation and understanding of the agriculture industry. This outcome can be empirically observed through the increased number of agriculture-related events. The facility will also host a variety of other events, attracting visitors to the area and resulting in increased tourism revenues.

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?

Madison County 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
- University or College
- Other (please specify)



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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