



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 3202

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

4. Project/Program Description

This is a request to revert and reappropriate the original FY 21-22 appropriated amount of \$250,000. In working with DOEA, the solicitation for architects had to be posted twice to receive a total of two bidders. Shortly after DOEA gave their approval to move forward in this State-directed process, Hurricane Ian struck SWFL stalling this project and overwhelming local engineers and contractors.

The purpose of this project is to design, expand, and construct the Golden Gate Senior Center to better serve community seniors. Increased building size would allow the Senior Center to better organize their programs and activities, and provide much needed additional program, meeting room, and office space to further address client needs. Expansion and hardening of the Senior Center would also allow the community at large to take better advantage of aid opportunities usually run out of the Center after natural disasters and other large-scale community emergencies.

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	250,000
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	250,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	500,000	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.**
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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.

Coronavirus Relief Fund - \$67,162,432: Public safety payroll and rental, mortgage, food, and small business/nonprofit assistance;
 Federal Transit Administration - \$9,537,104: Transit operating & capital recovery;
 CDBG CV - \$4,232,728: Rental and mortgage, food storage, COVID response/testing;
 Emergency Shelter Grant CV - \$3,183,770: Homeless, low-income housing & food;
 FHC CRF - \$1,927,250: low-income rental/mortgage assistance;
 Older Americans Act - \$971,849 - In-home care/meals.

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.

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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/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The requested funds will be utilized for architectural and engineering design costs associated with the construction, hardening, and expansion of the Golden Gate Senior Center.	250,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		250,000



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14. Program Performance

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

The hardened building with increased size would allow the Golden Gate Senior Center to better organize their programs for area seniors, and also allow the community to take better advantage of aid opportunities available immediately after emergencies and other natural disasters.
Expanded space will also be used by the Golden Gate Library in partnership with the Senior Center.

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

Activities and services through the Golden Gate Senior Center (GGSC) occur through a variety of community partnerships serving area seniors including the Collier County Community & Human Services (CHS) Senior Nutrition Program where the GGSC hosts the senior lunch program. CHS also administers the senior utility assistance program and the Emergency Home Energy Assistance for the Elderly program.
The Golden Gate Library would be able to better meet spacial needs for library programs, directly impacting the Center's ability to expand programming opportunities for their seniors. Activities and services would be further expanded and provide much needed resiliency efforts during and immediately after emergency situations through partnerships with FEMA, Red Cross, Salvation Army, local government, etc.

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

The Golden Gate Senior Center is home to programs, activities, and services providing wellness, education, nutritional meals, financial assistance, utility assistance, civic and recreational events for community seniors in need of such services. Additional program room space will allow the adjacent Golden Gate Library to expand their educational, informational, and recreational programming to the needs of all ages within the community as well as programming specifically in support of and targeting senior needs.

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

The target population is seniors, 60+ years of age living within the Golden Gate community and southeastern areas of Collier County, and their caregivers.
More than 1,300 individuals are regularly served by the Golden Gate Senior Center.
Expansion of the Center will provide the needed space for growth of services to Collier County's seniors.

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 allow the Golden Gate Senior Center and Collier County to improve and expand upon the mental and physical wellbeing, nutrition, financial resiliency, safety, and other life-enhancing services of Collier's senior population and their caregivers.
The methodology to be used to ensure project outcomes are met and sustained will be through pre- and post-surveys to measure satisfaction and improved wellbeing.
Usage data will also be gathered and analyzed for performance metrics.

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?

There are no further suggested penalties. Services to Collier County's seniors would still continue through the Golden Gate Senior Center.
Services provided by the Golden Gate Senior Center are critical to the wellbeing and resiliency of Collier County's senior population.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**



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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