



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1603

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

A theatre play with the mission to educate young people about the evils of communism. Set in 1962 during the Cuban Missile Crisis, the play follows the harrowing story of a Cuban family that is pinned against each other by a prison warden and has their fate decided live on an American Radio Station. Free admission to high school and college students.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted? No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	100,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	100,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	100,000	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 2024-2025	100,000	100%

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

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

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** No

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?**

No

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



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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
 N/A

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.

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	Director, 5 actors, sound technician, light technician, general manager, stage manager, and assistant stage manager.	80,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Stage design: \$10,000 Sound and lighting equipment: \$10,000	20,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		100,000

14. Program Performance

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

Funds will support a theatre project with the mission to educate young people about the evils of communism through art and storytelling. The fund will provide the ability for high school and college students to come to the show for free. Ensuring that every young person, irrespective of their socio-economic background, can experience this pivotal tale.

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



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The audience will first walk through a museum exhibit that highlights how Communism ruined the once flourishing country of Cuba as well as the resilience of the Cuban exile community in the United States. After the exhibit, the audience will experience the 90 minute immersive theatre play.

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

This project will educate the younger generation on the evils and dangers of communism through the power of storytelling and immersive theatre.

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

The target population is high school and university/college students. More than 500 individuals are expected to be served.

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

It will help the younger generation better understand the danger in political ideology, specifically communism, as well as offer a true account on how communism destroyed the family nucleus and in turn devastated an entire country. Through the power of storytelling the play can help ensure that history does not repeat itself.

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?

Failure to meet deliverables will result in forfeiture of funds.

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



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f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number