



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Historic Hernando School Restoration

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Wilton Simpson

3. **Date of Submission:** 12/13/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

The requested funds will complete the restoration of the Historic Hernando School, providing a community and cultural center, after-school at-risk learning center, and museum to enrich the community of Hernando and surrounding areas.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** No

a. If yes, which state agency?

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?
Department of State

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
	396,400	396,400

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	76,500	16.2%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	76,500	16.2 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 472,900

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional) 1

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2017-18

d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? Yes

e. Complete the following Worksheet.



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FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:		396,400	396,400

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No

11. Program Performance:

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

The building will serve as a community center with an auditorium and smaller rooms available for short-term rental for events and programs and lease to community and non-profit groups. The building will provide space for historic, cultural, and arts programming and exhibits for residents and guests. The building is a stop on the Citrus County Public Transit line, facilitating access for mobility/transportation-limited for visitors. The School will showcase cultural growth and community investment in Hernando, even as it supports those efforts itself. It will also provide employment opportunities in an area slow to recover after the recent recession, as positions for skilled workers are created by the restoration and 2 positions for full and part-time staff are created by the completed project.

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

The primary benefit of establishing this space is to create a permanent and centralized location for the community to access, utilize, enjoy, and benefit from various activities, including speaker series, cultural and artistic performances, educational exhibits, 4H activities, Friends of the Library, Citrus County Parks and Recreation, Hernando Heritage Council, and Citrus County Historical Society programs and events, as well as those created by other groups. The school is immediately adjacent to the Family Resource Center, making it a natural extension of the enrichment activities available to low-income families, particularly those with children who can benefit from enhanced educational and community engagement opportunities provided by the use of the School.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		



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<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Interior finishing and exterior site work, including but not limited to: demolition of existing access ramp and construction of ADA-compliant ramp; interior flooring, paint, fixtures, and finishing; soffit, door, and window repair where necessary	396,400
TOTAL		396,400

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Educational, cultural, artistic, and community programs, exhibits, and events; tours of the historic school and museum; community center, including meeting and event space

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

The target population includes: residents and visitors; both permanent and seasonal elderly residents; economically disadvantaged persons and families; at-risk youth; developmentally and/or physically disabled persons; school-age students from Pre-K through 12th grade; college students and researchers.

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



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The school will benefit residents of and visitors to the community of Hernando through increased availability and accessibility of educational, cultural, artistic, and community programs, exhibits, and events. Visitors and engagement will be tracked through attendance numbers and surveys.

- g. 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 in the contract?**

The standard penalties in place for noncompliance are sufficient.

- 12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.**

Citrus County Board of County Commissioners

- 13. Requestor Contact Information:**

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- 14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. Organization:** Citrus County Board of County Commissioners
- b. County:** Citrus
- c. Organization Type:**
 - ☐ For Profit
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - ☒ Local Entity
 - ☐ University or College
 - ☐ Other (Please specify)
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- 15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.**

- a. Name:** None
- b. Firm:** None
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- d. Phone Number:**