



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2223

1. Title of Project: City of Plantation Gun Range Renovation Project

2. Senate Sponsor: Perry Thurston

3. Date of Submission: 02/14/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

The City of Plantation Police Department currently trains its officers in an existing 4-lane 25-yard indoor gun range facility constructed in 1984. The 34-year old building suffers from water intrusion through the roof and walls due to structural stress fractures. Outdated air circulation equipment in the range area of the building does not provide adequate air quality for proper training. The project involves the demolition and replacement of an existing shooting range/training facility that has water intrusion from the roof and walls, stress fractures, inadequate ventilation, structural concerns and a safety hazard to firearms users. Beyond the structural and safety concerns, current training requirements far exceed what the existing building was originally constructed to accommodate. Officers must train at a facility not located on the police complex, causing scheduling and service disruption and slowing the certification and re-certification process.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Law Enforcement

State Agency Contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	800,000
Total State Funds Requested	800,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	800,000	14.8%
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	4,600,000	85.2%
Other	0	0.0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	5,400,000	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The project involves the demolition and replacement of an existing shooting range/training facility that has water intrusion from the roof and walls, stress fractures, inadequate ventilation, structural concerns and a safety hazard to firearms users.	800,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		800,000

11. Program Performance:

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

The City's SWAT, Narcotics units, and other specialty teams need to perform simulated training exercises. 172 police officers must complete annual re-certification training. The existing facility restricts the Police Department to minimum re-certification exercises and prevents the Department from implementing advanced training techniques that would enhance officer performance and increase public safety. The preceding training requirements demands a 50-yard indoor training facility with additional shooting lanes. It is not structurally or cost feasible to renovate and expand the existing building.

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

The demolition and replacement of an existing shooting range/training facility that has water intrusion from the roof and walls, stress fractures, inadequate ventilation, structural concerns and a safety hazard to firearms users. Because the facility is on the same complex as the police station, scheduling can be done at nights and various times of the day when there is minimum service interruption to the officers and to service levels within the community.

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

The range facilitates training for our SWAT, Narcotics units and other specialty teams; simulated training exercises; and ongoing exercises to maintain state firearms certification for all officers. This supplies the public with well trained and certified law enforcement teams with minimal service disruption.

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



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Residents, visitors and businesses in the City of Plantation would benefit from the ability for the Swat, Narcotics Unit, and others to be re-certified in an updated facility since a well-trained force is imperative to the safety of the residents.

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

Law enforcement can maintain certification and train with minimal disruption to schedule and service to the public. The amount of certifications that are achieved by a better environment within this facility are the methodology by which will measure outcome of the project.

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 in the contract?

Failure to meet deliverables or performance measures will result in reduction or loss of funding.

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.

The City of Plantation is the owner and caretaker of the Police Training Facility.

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14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** City of Plantation
- b. **County:** Broward
- 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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