



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1029

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

The requested funds will be used for construction and interior finishes of a new fire station for the Immokalee Fire Control District (District). The District currently operates out of a converted trucking facility that is over 30 years old, and is in desperate need of major repairs (roof leaks, flooding/seepage, mold invasion, does not meet NFPA compliance standards, etc). The new facility will meet NFPA compliance standards and provide a healthy, safe and secure environment from which District personnel can provide emergency services and maintain continuity of operations.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?     Yes     No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="000"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="5,000,000"/>
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="5000000"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="90.0"/> %
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="574,930"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="10"/> %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Local	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Other	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021</b>	<b>5,574,930</b>	<b>100</b> %

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

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>

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

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Physical construction of a new fire station. This is a replacement station for the existing facility and will be called Immokalee Fire Control District - Station 30. This new facility will bring the fire station into compliance with the National Fire Protection Associations standards for Fire Station Facilities.	5,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>5,000,000</b>



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## 11. Program Performance

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

The funds requested will be utilized for the vertical construction and interior finishing of a new fire station for the Immokalee Fire Control District. The District currently operates out of a converted trucking facility that was built over 30 years ago, and is in desperate need of major renovations/repairs. The new facility will provide a healthy, safe and secure environment from which fire department personnel can provide daily emergency and non-emergency operations from. In addition, the new facility will meet/exceed current local development codes and National Fire Protection Association Facility Standards and be able to withstand the effects of manmade and natural disasters (such as hurricanes) – the current station is abandoned in the event of a hurricane as it is not safe for District personnel or apparatus to remain there during such an event.

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

The activities provided include fire and life safety, education, prevention and training activities - through Open Houses, course offerings and formal training. In addition - Board of Fire Commissioner meetings will be conducted monthly so that the community can gain awareness related to the District's operations, activities, and learn how the District manages the use of taxpayer funding to provide these services. All of these activities would be available to community members, as well as specialized education and training programs designed for District staff and potential employees of the District.

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

The services provided directly correspond with the activities noted above, in that each service extended will directly correspond to the individual's need. If an individual needs a fire safety inspection to open a business, it will be provided. If an individual is in a motor vehicle accident (MVA) and needs medical treatment, hazardous materials mitigation or to be extricated from the vehicle, those services will be provided out of the new facility. If an individual's house is on fire, the suppression response will be from the new facility. If a pre-school or senior center wants to learn about fire safety and prevention – they can either come to the station, or our personnel and apparatus will go directly to them, and provide some basic information and materials for them to learn from. No matter age, gender or ability - fire and life safety services will be provided throughout the entire community, from a safe and healthy facility - allowing for continuity of operations.

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

The community of Immokalee is the target population - including elderly, those with physical or mental health concerns, jobless/homeless persons, economically disadvantaged (our community is recognized as a Rural Area of Opportunity and Rural Area of Economic Concern (F.S. 288.0656) with over 70% of our residents in the "low to moderate income status" based on the 2011-2015 HUD Census Data). At-Risk Youth, all aged students, physically and developmentally challenged persons, past/current criminals, and victims of crime will all be served by this project, as these individuals are representative of our community. There are approximately 25,000 members of our community, with a seasonal increase of about 30% during farming season.

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

1) Improve quality of education - through fire and life safety education and training. The District will track the number of classes and participants at various trainings and meetings, and use that data to determine how best to meet the needs of the community; 2) Enhance, Preserve/Improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality - through working with the Florida Forest Service and the provision of hazardous materials response, we can support a healthier environment for our forested areas and Lake Trafford. The District will track the number and types of calls responded to, to ensure we have all the necessary equipment needed for future response; 3) Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc) - The new facility will allow us to maintain full operations in the event of a disaster, so that we can provide services to the residents of our community and will meet NFPA National Standards. Not abandoning our facility in an emergency is our measurement.

### 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?

The first 2 phases of this project were supported through Federal CDBG funding. Based on this funding, the project in its entirety (inclusive of construction) must be complete by March 2023 or the District will have to re-pay the Federal Funds (\$574,930). In addition the District will, voluntarily, forfeit their ability to request State Appropriations funds, if this project is not complete by March 2023, until after project completion.



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12. **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 ownership is classified as Local Government - (e.g. police, fire or local government buildings, local roads, etc). The Immokalee Fire Control District, an Independent Special Fire Control District, as established by the Florida Legislature, will retain ownership of the facility.

13. **Requestor Contact Information**

a. First Name  Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.

14. **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

15. **Lobbyist Contact Information**

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.