

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2020-2021

1. **Project Title** Safety, Signage, and Natural Resource Enhancement Project - Nassau

2. Senate Sponsor Aaron Bean

3. Date of Request 12/07/2019

4. **Project/Program Description**

This is a safety and visual enhancement project that will extend the efforts of the Florida Department of Transportation in implementing a continuous, complimentary, and consistent signage and landscaping program along the major thoroughfares to and on Amelia Island. The proposal begins a plan to develop a cohesive set of goals and strategies and to implement a county-wide approach to safety, signage, and natural landscaping.

Wayfinding and landscaping is particularity important because Amelia Island is host to over 600,000 tourists, a transient residential population, as well as daily commuters. The current signage and landscaping has frequently been described as poor, confusing, broken, absent, and frustrating.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Transportation

State Agency contacted?

 Yes
 No

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

Type of Funding	Amount	
Operations	000	
Fixed Capital Outlay	817,702	
Total State Funds Requested	817,702	

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)	817702	100.0 %	
Matching Funds			
Federal	00	0 %	
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %	
Local	00	0 %	
Other	00	0 %	
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	817,702	100 %	

8. Has this project previously received state funding? \bigcirc Yes \odot No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year	Amo	Specific		
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	Vetoed

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? O Yes O 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		
Administrative Costs:				
Executive Director/Project				
Head Salary and Benefits				
Other Salary and Benefits				
Expense/Equipment/				
Travel/Supplies/Other				
Consultants/Contracted				
Services/Study				
Operational Costs: Oth	er			
Salary and Benefits				
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other				
Travel/Supplies/Other				
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study				
Services/Study				
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:				
Construction/Renovation/	Signage and installation for island entrance, way-finding throughout the island, landscape materials,			
Land/Planning Engineering	design, and installation.	817,702		
Total State Funds Re	817,702			



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11. Program Performance

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

The safety, signage, and natural resource enhancement project will install community gateway and welcome signage, informational and interpretive directional signage, recreational/cultural signage, and intra-community wayfinding signage to enhance safety for those visiting and living in Nassau County. These signage areas will be enhanced with natural and native landscaping.

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

The wayfinding system is organized to direct visitors and residents, whether traveling by vehicle, bike, or on foot, to major attractions and destinations and to encourage the most efficient, safe, and navigable traffic flow. Gateway signs introduce one's entry into the county and municipalities. Gateway signs will be enhanced with natural and native plantings of perennials, shrubs, and ornamental grasses.

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

Citizens and visitors will benefit by having attractive, welcoming, safe entrances to the primary travel corridors. Research has shown that businesses that are located in attractive, well cared for areas are safer and have higher visitation numbers and sales than those that are not.

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

The target population for this project includes the 82,748 residents of Nassau County as well as, over 600,000 visitors annually. 24% of the annual visitors are Florida residents. Of these, almost 9% are from northeast Florida.

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

Entrance and way-finding signs in and around the island will make it easy for visitors to find parking, accommodations, local attractions, parks, and trails. Bike and pedestrian-friendly areas entice the visitor to enjoy the island by foot or bicycle. Green spaces in and around the island are planted and maintained with trees, shrubs, perennials and other natural plantings. Everything about the individual's visual experience, from arriving at the gateway to exploring the historic district of Fernandina Beach to the beaches, is well defined with signage and plantings that reflect the vibrant and caring community.

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?

Any failure to perform the components of the agreement or deliverables will terminate the agreement and future state funding for similar projects.



d. Phone Number

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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.

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