



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2456

1. **Project Title** 2. **Senate Sponsor** 3. **Date of Request** 4. **Project/Program Description**

The health effects of low-level lead exposure in children are well documented. There is no safe level of lead for children to be consuming. Florida does not currently test school water statewide for lead contamination. In an effort to remove lead from schools built before 1986, this project will appropriate funding for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to purchase NSF Standard 53 point of use water filters for the nearly 2,000 Florida public schools that qualify. In 1986, the United States Congress enacted the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments that prohibited the use of lead materials in public water systems. Schools built before 1986 are most vulnerable to lead contamination and while we do not test for lead, action should be taken to remove lead contamination so these older schools have clean and safe drinking water for the children served at these schools.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** State Agency contacted? ☒ Yes ☐ No6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	<input type="text" value="3,000,000"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input type="text" value="000"/>
Total State Funds Requested	<input type="text" value="3,000,000"/>

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 type="text" value="3000000"/>	<input type="text" value="100.0"/> %
Matching Funds		
Federal	<input type="text" value="00"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/> %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	<input type="text" value="00"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/> %
Local	<input type="text" value="00"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/> %
Other	<input type="text" value="00"/>	<input type="text" value="0"/> %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	<input type="text" value="3,000,000"/>	<input type="text" value="100"/> %

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 type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** ☒ Yes ☐ NoIf 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	N/A	0
Other Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	N/A	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	N/A	0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Equipment and installation supplies for NSF-Certified 53 Point-Of-Use Water Filters to be installed on consumable water sources in Florida public schools built before 1986. Consumable water sources are defined as water fountains, bubblers, ice machines, and kitchen faucets	3,000,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	N/A	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	N/A	0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000



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11. Program Performance

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

Water filters that are certified for the removal of lead will be installed in Florida public schools built before 1986.

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

Water filters will be purchased and provided to each school built before 1986 for installation by a school district employee. These filters will remove lead from the water Florida public school students, teachers, and school staff are currently consuming.

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

Clean, safe drinking water in Florida public schools. Schools built before 1986 were certain to have used lead materials in their construction and therefore are most vulnerable to lead contamination in their drinking water.

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

Florida public school students and staff. There are 1,726 public schools in Florida built before 1986. This will serve at least 3 million Floridians, mostly children.

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

The expected benefit is the removal of lead from drinking water, or a reduction. Florida does not test school water for lead, however the state has received a federal grant for testing in some school districts. The results of this testing will not be available for 3-5 years. NSF Standard 53 filters reduce lead contaminants by 98.5% and independent testing is available to confirm this is achieved.

- 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?

Loss of future funding opportunities



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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.

N/A

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.



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Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

16. **Have you applied for alternative state funding?**

- ☐ Waste Water Revolving Loan
- ☐ Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- ☐ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- ☐ Other (please specify)
- ☒ N/A

17. **What is the population economic status?**

- ☒ Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C.)
- ☒ Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C.)
- ☒ Rural Area of Economic Concern
- ☒ Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- ☐ N/A

18. **What is the status of construction?**

19. **What percentage of the construction has been completed?**

20. **What is the estimated completion date of construction?**

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.