



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1080

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County champions the housing needs of our community's veterans and essential workers. In gratitude for their service and sacrifices, our program emphasizes affording them quality housing or essential repairs. Our mission transcends mere shelter – it's about community appreciation for those who dedicate themselves to our well-being. Funding will be dedicated to the construction of two new homes, rehabilitation of two homes and 15 projects focused on home fortification and resiliency through the use of hurricane impact windows and installation of new roofs.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	700,000
Total State Funds Requested	700,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	700,000	64%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	390,000	36%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	1,090,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

In 2021 and 2022, Habitat for Humanity of Palm Beach County received a total of \$942,682 in PPP funds, prior to merging with Habitat for Humanity of South Palm Beach County to form Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County. Funds were utilized to cover COVID wages and benefits to employees affected by COVID closures, and offset financial losses due to closures of our retail thrift stores.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

July 2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

August 2025

12. List 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.

Owners: Individual Homeowners
 Relationship: These homeowners will directly experience the impact of the fixed capital outlay funding as they will own the homes that are constructed or repaired.
 Entity Holding Mortgage or Repair Loan: Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County
 Relationship: While homeowners maintain home ownership, Habitat for Humanity oversees the mortgage or repair loan, ensuring affordability and a strong partnership.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Funds will be allocated to raw materials, labor, site preparation, permits, and essential utilities for construction.	700,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		700,000

14. Program Performance



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

The goal is to bolster housing stability and safety for our community members, especially prioritizing veterans and essential employees. A veteran in Boca Raton will receive an owner-occupied rehab, while a Habitat-owned property in Lake Worth will undergo rehabilitation. Two new homes will be constructed on Lantana lots, addressing the housing needs of our hardworking essential workers. Additionally, 15 projects across the region will ensure homes are weather-resistant with roof replacements and hurricane impact windows, benefiting both veterans and essential employees.

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

To actualize the intent of the \$700,000 appropriation, Habitat for Humanity in Greater Palm Beach County will embark on targeted construction and repair projects, giving precedence to qualifying essential employees, and veterans. In parallel, we will conduct homeownership and financial literacy training sessions, ensuring home owners are well-equipped for their new responsibilities.

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

The appropriation will directly support the construction, rehabilitation, and upgrade of homes, prioritizing veterans and essential employees in Palm Beach County. Qualified individuals will access quality housing, promoting stability and self-sustainability. In tandem, homeowners will benefit from insights on home upkeep and fiscal responsibility. Through these efforts, our mission is to fortify the community by ensuring our veterans and essential workers have a secure and resilient home environment.

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

The project's target population is essential employees and veterans within Greater Palm Beach County. Furthermore, we are dedicated to assisting families earning below 80% of the area's median income as determined by HUD. Through this initiative, we anticipate supporting 19-20 households (approximately 45 individuals), bridging the gap in housing needs across various income levels in our community.

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

The anticipated outcome of this project is a transformative elevation in homeownership and preservation of existing homes among essential employees, veterans, and families earning below 80% of the area median income Palm Beach County. The ripple effect will be a fortified community with stable housing for its backbone members. To gauge the project's impact, we will track the number of homes constructed and repaired and the demographics of families served. Periodic homeowner surveys will also capture satisfaction and integration metrics, ensuring a holistic understanding of the project's success and community integration.

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 the contract?

Return of funds

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County



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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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number