



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1781

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

4. Project/Program Description

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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	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,000,000

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)	2,000,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	2,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	1,000,000	2341A	No

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

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



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Palm Beach County is the recipient of CARES US Treasury funds in the amount of \$261 million. Funding was spent entirely on emergency assistance, mortgage assistance, business grants, COVID-19 sheltering, testing and isolation, as well as on emergency personnel. Palm Beach County also received approximately \$290 million in American Rescue Plan Funding for pandemic-related service and infrastructure projects.

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

12/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/2027

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.

Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, Palm Beach County currently leases the land and structures from the Port of Palm Beach.

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	Renovation of historic Peanut Island facilities.	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,000,000

14. Program Performance

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



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

Planning and construction for the renovation of existing buildings and a historic fallout bunker for recreational, eco-tourism, and historic tourism purposes.

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

The Peanut Island Restoration project will renovate historic Coast Guard buildings for eco-tourism, adding to the county's extensive 2005 renovation of the island that created substantial recreational opportunities. Florida residents and tourists will have the opportunity to participate in recreational and eco-tourism activities and visit a unique destination in United States history.

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

Thousands of Florida residents and tourists will enjoy these historic facilities each year.

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

Renovated facilities are expected to increase access to recreational activities and increase tourism to the Island by providing both local and out-of-state visitors the chance to visit a unique and important location in American history. The impacts will be measured by analyzing the use of the enhanced recreational facilities and the number of visitors to the island.

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?

Unused funds will be returned to the state.

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

c. Organization Type

For Profit Entity

Non Profit 501(c)(3)

Non Profit 501(c)(4)

Local Entity



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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