



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3462

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The City of North Lauderdale (City) seeks funding for a fire rescue training facility and emergency operations center. The current facility was newly converted from a community center and is in need of costly and major renovations. Due to the cost of repairs and in order to meet the requirements of Rule 69A.37.060, F.A.C. the City intends to demo the current facility and build a new multi-story Regional Training Facility with one floor dedicated to providing an Emergency Operations Center. The City will be able to provide a state of the art training facility, offering regional and international classes and training, as well as the ability to host regional and international rescue personnel, while also providing a fire training academy under Rule 69A-37.060, F.A.C. The project will be divided into three phases. Phase 1 - engineering and design stage; Phase 2 - demolition of existing building; and Phase 3 - facility build-out.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	500,000
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

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)	500,000	40%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	500,000	40%
Local	250,000	20%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	1,250,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

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

Non-Ad Valorem tax revenue which would require an increase to the Fire Assessment rate that the property owners of the City of North Lauderdale pay.



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

Yes

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

The City of North Lauderdale (City) received \$1,070,073 in CARES funding. CARES act funding passed through Broward County to offset unbudgeted cost of PPE and personnel expenses to combat / respond to the Covid-19 pandemic along with residential and business assistance. The City also received approximately \$22.1 million in ARPA funds that will be used for infrastructure, public safety, and capital projects such as a generator for the Parks and Rec Community/Teen Cent

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)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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.

The owner of the facility is the City of North Lauderdale (City), so benefits are directly to the City and it's residents, business owners, etc.

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	The project will be divided into three (3) phases: Phase 1 would be the engineering and design stage of the build-out with a total cost of approximately 2 million dollars to complete the entire project. Phase 2 would be the demolition of existing building and Phase 3 would be the facility build-out.	500,000



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Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)	500,000
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14. Program Performance

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

The overall goal is to build a Regional Training Facility that will satisfy the requirements of the State of Florida statute 69A-37.060 Certification as an Approved Firefighter Recruit Training Facility and as a certified training facility as outlined by the Insurance Services organization (ISO). Designing a Regional Training facility that meets these requirements will allow the City of North Lauderdale (City) the ability to host classes and training regionally as well as internationally with the ability to certify students to firefighter 1 and 2 levels providing a career track for future firefighters. In addition, the city would design an emergency operations center dedicated to one floor of the new regional training facility.

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

Training for all area first responders as it relates to fire/rescue operations including hosting regional and international programs. Training will be consistent with all National Standards and will provide a central location for surrounding emergency response agencies within Central Broward to train and work together. By funding this project, this facility will provide training on various emergency incidents that occur within the city and surrounding jurisdictions as well as provide an Emergency Operations Center for the city. In addition, the facility will provide classes and training regionally as well as internationally. Lastly, by complying with Rule 69A-37.060, F.A.C., this facility would be able provide for the City's Fire Explorer youths and to train and career track to one day certify to a State of Florida Level 1 and 2 firefighter certifications.

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

Fire Rescue Personnel will be highly trained to mitigate emergency incidents that occurs within the city as well as the surrounding cities. In addition, the facility will host regional and international programs and provide training to the surrounding fire rescue agencies as well. In addition, the city will provide a state of the art Emergency Operations Center within the new facility which will better prepare the city to manage and mitigate natural disasters and major incidents that occur within the city, Broward County and the state of Florida.

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

A better trained fire/rescue department will benefit not only all of the 47,000.00 residents of North Lauderdale, but also the local businesses, parks and other establishments through a better trained fire rescue agency. Additionally, neighboring Fire Departments will be able to train at this facility and that will benefit their communities as well. The facility will also host regional and international training events which will allow to the City to share resources with neighboring jurisdiction both regionally and internationally. Lastly the facility will train and certify recruits that desire a career track in fire rescue services.

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

Better trained first responders, the potential for a better insurance ISO rating. Progress will be measured by comparing the amount of training sessions held per employee year to year as well as at the next ISO rating. In addition, by applying to be a state approved recruit training facility through the state appropriations funding, North Lauderdale will provide a career track for youths that reside in the city and desire to establish a career as a firefighter. Funding from the the state appropriations will secure the approval for a state of Florida fire recruit training facility. In addition, the facility will provide classes and training regionally as well as internationally. This will be a great accomplishment and benefit for the community and surrounding communities as well as the the regional and international

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?

Retainage and performance bond required as per City ordinance and state statute.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization



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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
- 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