



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1344

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Continuation of capital improvements previously funded by the State of Florida to include:
 Fire Safety / Sprinkler Installation
 Institutional Kitchen
 Signage

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	600,000
Total State Funds Requested	600,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	600,000	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 2023-2024	600,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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

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?

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



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\$69,712 loan on April 29, 2020 (first PPP loan)
 \$43,500 loan on March 18, 2021 (second PPP loan)

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

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

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

October 2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

April 2024

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.

Deering Estate Foundation

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	\$600,000 for a one time fixed capital outlay, including project management, engineering, permitting, and construction.	600,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		600,000

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?



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The research conducted on the property is culturally-significant in educating researchers, students, and the public. Research will include effects of sea-level rise, climate change, and resiliency.

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

Visitors to the property are exposed to the varied Florida history within its boundaries as well as the 450-acre Deering Estate. The property provides unique opportunities for the public and researchers to interact with the natural environment with endangered species as well as research projects.

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

University/College students
General (the majority of funds will benefit no specific group)

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

Upgrading the building will increase the number of researchers worldwide who can study the property's unique qualities. A higher number of visitors will raise the number of persons employed by the Estate. The outcomes will be measured based on the number of visitors to the property, number of K-12 learning programs attendees, research work underway and completed, number of "live-in" researchers, and number of papers published.

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?

Standard penalties for non-compliance are adequate.

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
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address



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f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number