



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2053

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Funds needed to replace a 20-year-old front-line fire rescue ladder truck, which has exceeded its useful life. The repairs to keep this critical fire fighting equipment operational are proving to be difficult as parts are not readily available, the truck is not reliable and is out of service for long periods of time. A new fire rescue ladder truck will provide aerial height needed to address the increasing inventory of multi-story buildings, but also carries tools and equipment needed for forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul and lighting and utility control. Bartow, located in Polk County, serves as the County seat and continues to experience growth must have reliable equipment to protect, save lives and property, to meet the needs of the community and the Insurance Services Office (ISO). The ISO 3 rating would be maintained.

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	1,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000

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)	1,000,000	62%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	600,000	38%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	1,600,000	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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Yes

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

\$10,090,698 from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) used to fund a portion of the City of Bartow Wastewater Treatment Plant expansion, currently under construction.
\$79,158.13 Federal Emergency management Agency (FEMA) reimbursement for masks, cleaning/decontamination and changes to the physical environment to facilitate social distancing (e.g., Plexiglas partitions and access locks).

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)?

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.

13. 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	Purchase fire rescue ladder truck through the City of Bartow's procurement process.	1,000,000
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)		1,000,000

14. Program Performance

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



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Goal is to provide safety to first responders/citizenry, save lives, health and property by replacing a 20-year-old front-line fire rescue ladder truck that has exceeded its useful life. The repairs to keep this critical fire fighting equipment operational are proving to be difficult as parts are not readily available, the truck is not reliable and is out of service for long periods of time. Bartow serves as the County seat for Bartow County and continues to experience growth and needs reliable equipment to protect and meet the needs of the community. The ISO rating of 3 would be maintained with a new fire rescue ladder truck.

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

To purchase a new fire rescue ladder truck through the City's procurement policies and procedures. The City of Bartow's ISO 3 rating will be maintained. Services provided with a new fire rescue ladder truck provides for the height of the aerial ladder for first responders to address the increasing inventory of building heights and to have the tools and equipment necessary to conduct forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul, lighting and utility control situations.

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

Direct services to citizens is having reliable, fire fighting rescue equipment to save and protect the lives of first responders, citizenry, businesses, schools, State and Federal buildings and properties in this vastly growing community. Respond more effectively to fires, accidents and other incidents where there are risks to life and property with a fire rescue ladder truck that provides for the height of the aerial ladder to address the increasing inventory of building heights that has the tools and equipment necessary to conduct forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul, lighting and utility control situations. Meet the general criteria of NFPA1901 Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus; maintain ISO 3 rating.

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

The target population is the City of Bartow, which serves as the County seat for Regional, Federal and State offices, agencies, properties and buildings, which are tax exempt creating a reduction of revenue that is needed to adequately serve its citizenry; and surrounding communities - Clear Springs Developments and the Polk State College Advanced Technology Center Campus. More than 19,477 individuals to be served.

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

Expected benefit is the purchase and operation of reliable fire rescue lifesaving ladder truck that is essential to the protection of the general public, first responders, life, and property. The new fire rescue ladder truck provides for the height of the aerial ladder for first responders to address the increasing inventory of building heights and to have the tools and equipment necessary to conduct forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul, lighting and utility control situations. Maintain the City's ISO 3 rating. Measure is efficient and effective response to emergencies, less expenses for maintenance and fuel costs, saving of lives, health and property including State and Federal buildings, as Bartow serves as the County seat within Polk County.

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?

Non-payment of final invoice until milestones are achieved.

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