



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2473

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

4. Project/Program Description

Habitat for Humanity was offered a piece of land adjacent to two lots we already owned. The three plots of land together has given us the opportunity to build our very first Habitat Village. We have already shared our plans with the City of Callaway who support this project. We've been working with Jim Slonina of Panhandle Engineering on our building plans. This opportunity is very exciting because we would be able to build 10 single family homes and we're even exploring the idea of making four of those homes duplexes. That would allow us to help 14 families. Housing is the biggest need in Bay County. Every sector of our community is impacted by the lack of affordable housing. Habitat and our dedicated community volunteers can build these homes. However, the cost of infrastructure is something we don't have funding for and would be difficult to fundraise for.

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	600,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
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	60%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	400,000	40%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	1,000,000	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.

We will secure funding for all the homes. We just don't have funding for infrastructure costs.

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.

Many other counties alloted a chunk of their ARPA funds to help with housing. The majority of funding for Bay County had to be used to fix infastructure damaged after Hurricane Micahel.

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		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 cost of the infrastructure is the only funding we need. We can build the homes alongside the community that supports us through donations and volunteering.	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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We will be able to provide safe and secure housing to 10-14 lower income families. Many of them working families that just need that solid foundation to grow from. We will also continue to include volunteers and community groups to work a long side us. They often get to work with the homeowners completing their sweat equity hours and learn first hand how affordable housing impacts these families. Our work builds homes and a stronger sense of community for everyone.

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

We will request bids to have the infrastructure completed. Then we will do what we've always done and build affordable housing with the partnership of businesses and other supporters.

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

We will provide affordable homes to 10-14 families. We will also create a greater awareness of the need for affordable housing. Recently, we had over 30 volunteers from all five Bay County Rotary Clubs on our build sites. Many there for the first time. They met the homeowners and heard their stories. They built and raised the walls at one home. At the other home we allowed a homeowner to have her son join us during lunch break. He brought his toy tools and met the banker, Realtor, utilities worker, etc. that are there to build for a family like his. He won't forget that. The volunteers won't forget him. We don't just build homes. We build better lives and connection for families and our community.

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

The target population is low income families that wouldn't otherwise be able buy a home. We will serve 10-14 families and approximately 40-50 individuals.

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

The expected benefit is creating affordable housing while also building a solid foundation for families to grow from. The outcome has been documented over and over on how safe and secure housing benefits families. Plus, how healthy families are at the core of healthy communities.

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?

Penalties would need to be assessed according to the expected deliverable. After the infrastructure is down, we will have no problem building the homes. It's what we do.

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)



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- 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