



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2943

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The project would provide for the construction of a taxiway and access road extension to support a new three-hangar development (Hangars 18, 19, and 20) southeast of Runway 9-27. These hangars could be used for a multi-use training facility or simulation facility for on-airport training programs.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,700,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,700,000

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)	3,700,000	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	3,700,000	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? No

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?

Yes

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



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The City received a total of \$2.9 million from the American Rescue Plan Act and used the funds towards the expansion of the airport's runway.

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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

3/1/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/1/2025

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 DeFuniak Springs Airport is owned and operated by the City of DeFuniak Springs. The airport serves the general aviation transportation needs of the city and Walton County.

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 would construct taxiway and access road extension to support construction of new hangar developments.	3,700,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,700,000

14. Program Performance

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

Construction of a taxiway and access road to support new hangar developments.

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

The project will allow for additional expansion at the airport including construction of hangars to provide training programs.



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

New training programs will be offered to provide an economic boost to the local economy and job training opportunities.

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

Multiple populations will benefit, including the unemployed seeking job opportunities, high school and university students, veterans, and military aircraft mechanics and technicians.

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

New educational training programs can be offered within the new hangar developments. Job training opportunities will improve local economic conditions.

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?

The city will award the contract through a bid process and the bid documents will spell out liquidated damage costs for projected overruns. Standard penalties are sufficient for contract with the state agency.

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

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name



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b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number