



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1619

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

4. Project/Program Description

The purpose of these requested funds is to continue the construction of the First Coast Expressway and the acquisition of the right of way for the portion of the expressway to Randall Road in Green Cove Springs.

Traffic capacity improvements and improved access the Clay County Fairgrounds are the reason for the request of State Road 16 to be widened to a 4-lane divided highway section from the State Road 23 interchange to South Oakridge Avenue. The easternmost 0.46 miles are located within the city limits of Green Cove Springs, and the remaining 3.19 miles are located in unincorporated Clay County. Priority should be given to the 1.05 mile portion of the project from State Road 23 interchange to Springbank Road.

Estimated cost: 1) SR 23 to Springbank Road – \$18,000,000.00 2) Springbank Road to South Oakridge Avenue – \$39,000,000.00

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,500,000

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)	1,500,000	3%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	57,000,000	97%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	58,500,000	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.**
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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.

The County received CARES, ARPA, and COVID-19 related grant funding for a broad range of public health and economic recovery projects related to the pandemic.

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.

Clay County Board of County Commissioners will own and maintain the road.

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	Capital outlay for the acquisition of right of way to connect First Coast Expressway to the existing Expressway extension	1,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,500,000

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?

Widen the existing road to a 4-lane road and continue construction of the First Coast Expressway.

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

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

Clay County residents are the immediate population served (218,245), but the Clay County Fairgrounds and First Coast Expressway serve residents of Northeast Florida and visitors to the area from around the state and country

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

Improved safety and efficiency of the local transportation network.

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 local government is responsible for conforming with all federal and state regulations governing the program. All local governments must comply with federal regulations and certify that, if funded, they will comply with all applicable laws and requirements.

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**



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e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number