



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3309

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

4. Project/Program Description

Hardee County Jail is over 30 years old and has experienced multiple weather induced damages most notably flooding. The building was built in 1991 and does not meet the current code to withstand Hurricane force winds compromising the continuation of operations. To sustain effective operations and eliminate the possible burden on surrounding counties, a new jail is needed, which will be located within close proximity to the Sheriff's Office Administrative Office. Funding is needed for contractual services for planning, design, engineering during construction, administration, project management and construction for 50,000 square feet that includes housing for incarcerated individuals and appropriate space for enhancing mitigation efforts against the spread of COVID-19 and appropriate accommodations to properly receive and house the volume of inmates and to protect first responders/law enforcement personnel.

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	25,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	25,000,000

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)	25,000,000	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 2024-2025	25,000,000	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.**

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.

Received: \$5,232,196; Funds used for eligible COVID-19 public health expenses (i.e., vaccinations, payroll, counseling/services, shelter mods., etc.), administration reporting/equitable outcome/community engagement expenses, and capital investing in public facilities (i.e., broadband, HVAC/filter-related, productivity tech/software, facilities sanitation, etc.).

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.

Hardee County is both owner and 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	Contractual services for planning, design, engineering during construction, administration, project management and construction for a jail facility.	25,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		25,000,000

14. Program Performance

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



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To design and construct a new jail that meets code and standards established for inmate populations. The current jail is over 30 years old, damaged and is out of compliance to meet current inmate populations requirements and is not able to withstand hurricane force winds or severe storm events. The building leaks and has mold issues.

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

Activities include seeking contractual preliminary architectural/engineering, design, bidding, permitting, project management, administration and construction services based on competitive procurement policies and procedures.

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

Citizens are better served with a new jail creating a safer, more secure, and positive environment that leads to less liability on the County and vicariously upon the tax payers. Environment encouraging the recovery and improvement of those incarcerated to increase the probability of becoming productive and contributing members of the community.

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

Hardee County, which is a financially disadvantaged community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C.) that is located in a Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes), citizenry, visitors, tourists, business community and surrounding areas. Greater than 27,000 expected 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?

Benefit is protection of life, health and safety of first responders and law enforcement personnel with appropriate accommodations and adequate jail facilities to safely process offenders, properly receive and house the volume of inmates and to deter the spread of COVID-19, protection of visitors and the general public, as well as the opportunity to rehabilitate offenders to reduce recidivism and substance abuse. Completion and certification of the project.

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 invoices until milestones achieved; implementation of corrective action plan.

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



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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