



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2190

**1. Project Title**

**2. Senate Sponsor**

**3. Date of Request**

**4. Project/Program Description**

The shell midden at Historic Spanish Point is comprised of 5,000 years of Florida history and is one of the few fully intact shell middens remaining in Sarasota County. Its bayfront location and the impact of storms has compromised this critical archaeological site making it at risk for damage from future hurricanes. It will take several years to complete the project due to permitting requirements. The initial amount requested will allow us to begin the planning process.

**5. State Agency to receive requested funds**

**State Agency contacted?**  No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	750,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>750,000</b>

**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)	750,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>750,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

**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?**  Yes

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



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

Gulf Coast Heritage Association received Payroll Protection Program support in the first round in the amount of \$84,000 to cover payroll costs for all employees.

## 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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

unknown

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

unknown

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.

Gulf Coast Heritage Association is the owner of the property.

### 13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Evaluation and design of protection measures for shell midden.	750,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>750,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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

Financial support for Gulf Coast Heritage Association will allow us to safeguard threatened shell midden and shoreline from erosion and storms protecting important State of Florida resources at the Historic Spanish Point campus including Florida nature, water quality, archaeological history, and historic buildings.

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



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The creation of design documents and preventative measures implemented to reduce further damage to the shell midden and shoreline erosion and runoff.

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

Historic Spanish Point welcomes more than 70,000 visitors each year and provides a field trip site for state-required curriculum on archaeology and Florida history to more than 4,000 school children annually.

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

Historic Spanish Point welcomes all ages and demographics through our 70,000 annual visitors including 4,000 school children from around the region.

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

Preservation of an important natural landscape and historical site for local residents and visitors to the Historic Spanish Point campus. Campus visitors are provided with regular experience surveys to provide feedback evaluating their visit and overall experience to ensure continued improvement.

**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?**

All traditional measures and penalties from standard funding agreements with the State will be applied.

**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



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#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

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