



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3282

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

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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	8,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>8,000,000</b>

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)	8,000,000	75%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	2,699,259	25%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>10,699,259</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.

\$23,629.75 on April 7, 2021 used for Covid related expenses. ARPA funds – received \$3,553,556 to date. No funds have been spent as of yet, in pre-planning stages for expenditures.

## 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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

6/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/2026

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.

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### 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	Purchase of a new town hall location	8,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>8,000,000</b>

### 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?**

The intended purpose of these funds is to quickly re-establish a stable venue for town government, with a time frame of less than 8 months versus a 3-4 year build-out. The new structure is elevated, and it will provide an emergency operating center (EOC).

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

Citizens will directly benefit from the purchase of a new town hall. As a result of hurricane Ian, in person support to residents are limited due to limited space within the temporary modular trailers. The new town hall will give residents the ability to meet with town officials and employees for governmental services as they rebuild their private homes.

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

The target population served by this project is going to be all residents and property owners on Estero Island. Approximately 5,500 individuals. This will also directly impact the 70 employees that will be working out of the Town Hall on a daily basis.

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

A more effective Town Hall building that will serve the population of Estero Island, rather than modulares for long-term use. The benefit of can be measured by the number of residents that will have access to town employee for municipal support.

**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?**

Notice of failure to perform with a 90 day notice to make corrections.

**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)



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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