



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2282

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

4. Project/Program Description

The City of Bristol is seeking funding to provide curb reconstruction and multi-use sidewalks to the downtown State Road 20 corridor through Bristol to enhance the city and promote economic growth. Therefore, the city has developed a plan for revitalizing the downtown area. The city currently has funding through the CDBG-DR Hometown Revitalization grant for new welcome signs, sidewalk repairs, dilapidated property acquisition, lighting improvements, and sidewalk repair. Reconstructing the SR 20 curb and providing the adequate room for wider sidewalks, landscaping, and benches would be a tremendous boost to the City of Bristol. The current look and esthetic of downtown is not welcoming to new businesses wanting to open or relocate.

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	3,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,500,000

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)	3,500,000	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	3,500,000	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?**



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

The city received \$55,402.59 CARES ACT Municipal pass-through reimbursements from the Liberty County BOCC. The city received \$490,398 in ARPA funds which are being spent on maintenance upgrades to city infrastructure.

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.

The City of Bristol (entity) has a maintenance agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (owner) owns the right-of-way and sidewalk along the State Road 20 corridor in downtown Bristol.

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	Engineering design, permitting, and construction. This is all anticipated to be handled by FDOT.	3,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,500,000

14. Program Performance

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



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The City of Bristol is seeking funding to provide curb reconstruction, multi-use sidewalks, hardscape, and landscaping elements to the downtown corridor to construct the complete streets project. Due to several past events such as Hurricane Michael and the coronavirus pandemic, the downtown area has been significantly impacted. The current look and aesthetic of downtown is not welcoming to new businesses wanting to open or relocate. Therefore, the city has developed a plan for revitalizing the downtown area.

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

In this project, the existing curb line will be removed and reconstructed closer to the edge of the travel lane and eliminating the rarely utilized on-street parking. A new 8' concrete, multi-use path will then be constructed along with drainage improvements and hardscape (benches) as well as some landscaping elements.

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

The city performed outreach events to get input from the city citizens in 2019-2020 and there was overwhelming support from the community for improvements to the Commercial Corridor along Highway 20 including: sidewalks, lighting, streetscaping, parks, and clean-up of derelict buildings. There was an overall general sense that the community lacked a "downtown" feel that encouraged businesses and residents to locate in the area and that these improvements would help to make the community more inviting to future opportunities.

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

The target population is the City of Bristol citizens and the thousands of vehicles that drive along State Road 20 through Bristol every day, about 12,000.

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

Reconstructing the SR 20 curb and providing the adequate room for wider sidewalks, landscaping, and benches would be a tremendous boost to the City of Bristol. Additional surveying can be performed to get a sense of the feeling from the public.

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 Auditor General audits for both the Town and State agencies. If the project is not completed within the requirements outlined in the grant award, the funding may be withdrawn.

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)



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- 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

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number