



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2330

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

In 2022, in partnership with Miami-Dade County, the City of Miami, the Miami Parking Authority (MPA) and the Miami Downtown Development Authority (DDA), Miami-Dade County Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) implemented the Downtown Mobility Network, which introduced three (3) miles of protected bike lanes in the Central Business District (CBD) of Downtown Miami. The Downtown Mobility Network has been very successful in providing mobility, connectivity, and first-mile/last-mile options for residents, tourists and workers (particularly economically disadvantaged employees). However, illegally parked vehicles – Uber, Lyft, Amazon, UPS, FedEx, delivery trucks, etc. – continue to degrade the network and pose a legitimate safety concern. Currently the Miami DDA and the County are partnering to implement necessary bike lane separators/dividers (non-vehicular traffic lane safety hardening) in the form of landscape planters to solve this ongoing issue.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	300,000
Total State Funds Requested	300,000

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)	300,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	300,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	600,000	100%

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? No

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 Miami DDA has received ARPA funds reimbursements in the following amounts:
 Flagler Recovery Grants: \$418,000.00
 Incentive Fund Grants: \$96,000.00

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 owners of the facility to receive the fixed capital outlay is the Miami-Dade County Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW). DTPW and the Miami DDA signed a Memorandum of Agreement outlining the transfer of funds between our agencies, as well as responsibilities and maintenance.

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	All funding will go towards the procurement of approximately landscape planters (hardware). Planters specified are Green Theory 54"L x 24"W x 20"H0.100" Gauge Marine Grad Powder Coated 5052 Aluminum planters with a total weight (hardware, soil, plants, water) of 982 lbs.	300,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		300,000



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14. Program Performance

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

The specific purpose or goal of this project is to protect bicyclists and pedestrians (and outdoor diners) from vehicular conflicts, accidents, injuries and deaths. The implementation of vertical deterrents in the form of landscape planters to be placed in the buffer zones between the vehicular lanes and the non-vehicular mobility lanes will keep vehicles out of them; whether that be illegally parked vehicles, or even more hazardous, vehicles that swerve into the mobility lanes (and adjacent sidewalks).

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

Miami-Dade County DTPW will purchase the hardware/landscape planters and place them in the buffer lanes of the Downtown Mobility Network. Miami DDA Downtown Enhancement Team (DET) staff will fill them with soil and groundcover plants. The same DET team will water, maintain and replace the plants as needed. If one of the planters is struck by a vehicle driving into them, we will remove, dispose of, and replant a new one.

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

For the last ten years, the Miami-Dade Metro area has been ranked fourth (4th) of all urban areas in the United States, with the highest pedestrian and bicyclist crash rates. One direct service will be increased bicycle and pedestrian safety, as the vertical deterrents (landscape planters) will keep illegally parked vehicles and/or swerving vehicles out of the mobility lane. Another direct service is curbside management and preventing traffic congestion. A huge dilemma facing Downtown urban cores are illegally parked vehicles – Uber, Lyft, Amazon, UPS, FedEx, delivery trucks, etc. – continue to clog vehicular lanes and degrade the transportation network, causing businesses to decline and costing municipalities millions in lost productivity.

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

This project offers more than 257,000 daytime users and 92,000 residents an active community environment. In terms of demographics, the Miami DDA serves a diverse population, with a diversity index of 73.1. The number of households in the Greater Downtown more than doubled between 2000 and 2014 and trends anticipate adding more than 12,000 new residents within the next five years, with the strongest growth in households in the urban core area. Due to this, the Miami DDA is uniquely positioned to ensure maximum impact for a diverse population of all ages through a completed Baywalk project.

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

The direct expected outcome of this project is to keep all vehicular traffic out of the mobility lanes and improve bicycle and pedestrian safety in our Downtown core. Miami-Dade DTPW tracks traffic crashes and vehicular bike/ped conflicts. The data pre and post-installation should tell us if the vertical deterrents are effective.

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?

We do not anticipate any additional penalties for the contracting agency in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. Recipient Contact Information



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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) Local Entity of the City of Miami

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