



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2521

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Cleather H. Hathcock, Sr. Community Center has served the City of Alachua community for nearly 20 years. The aging modular facility currently serves a resident population of 11,000. It is strategically located in an area of low-to-moderate income households which are able to access the facility by walking or biking and provides a variety of community support services. Funding will be used to construct a new facility that will continue to serve these vital community support services.

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	950,000
Total State Funds Requested	950,000

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)	950,000	73%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	350,000	27%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	1,300,000	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.

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.

\$4,957,950 in ARPA funding has been received by the City, \$110,000 of which was spent on the design of a new wellfield and \$4,847,950 spent on the construction of the new wellfield. \$232,850.43 has been received from the CARES ACT, of which \$147,680.71 was spent on expenses such as PPE, disinfectant, telework, and preparing buildings to open; and \$85,169.72 was spent on payroll expenses related to first responders.

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?

90-180 days from funding

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

1 year from funding

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
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	Planning, design, and construction of new facility for Cleather H. Hathcock, Sr. Community Center.	950,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		950,000

14. Program Performance

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



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The current aging, modular facility that is the Cleather H. Hathcock, Sr. Community Center is in need of replacement, so funding will be used for planning, design, and construction of a new facility to continue serving the community, including several neighborhoods comprised largely of low-to-moderate income households.

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

The new Cleather H. Hathcock, Sr. Community Center will provide a wide variety of programming and support services to the Alachua community. Programming includes senior-focused activities and resources, youth-based activities, health/screening activities, cultural events, and community support services.

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

The new Cleather H. Hathcock, Sr. Community Center will provide community support services, community programming, health-related activities, and cultural activities. The new facility will be located in an area with low-to-moderate income households to provide ease of access to serve these residents.

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

Elderly persons, economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, jobless persons, persons with poor mental health, persons with poor physical health, preschool students, grade school students, high school students, and the general population. The community population is currently approximately 11,000.

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

A variety of community programs and services will continue to be offered at the new facility. Physical and mental health-related programming will be offered, as well as cultural events such as dance performances, art exhibits, film screenings, and community discussions; childhood education support programs in partnership with local schools; and job-placement and training for employment opportunities. Outcomes will be measured by attendance logs, community surveys, and administrative oversight.

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 City will work with the contracting agency to determine applicable measures should funding be made available.

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