



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2704

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?  Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	5,100,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>5,100,000</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)	5,100,000	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 2024-2025</b>	<b>5,100,000</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?  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.

Martin County (MC) received \$28,093,258 from the CARES Act in 2020 which was allocated to a variety of COVID-19 relief initiatives for local small businesses, non-profits, and mental health to offset the impacts of the pandemic such as capital and operational enhancements to mitigate the spread of the virus. MC received \$31,272,363 from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) which is currently being utilized to provide grants to community partners and fund capital infrastructure for clean water.

## 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?

June 2025 (This is aggressive and predicated on FDOT facilitating the project, but I wanted to state a milestone date within the next FY)

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

January 2027

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.

Martin County Board of County Commissioners - All infrastructure conducted in the County Right-of-Way  
 Florida Department of Transportation - Partnering agency for all tie-in infrastructure conducted in the State Right-of-Way

### 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>		



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Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Martin County received a cost estimate from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) - District 4 for \$5.1M to construct the project. FDOT is currently programmed for right of-way acquisition and preliminary design.	5,100,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>5,100,000</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?**

County staff will administer the contract for design and construction of the project. County staff will also perform outreach of the project benefits and interim impacts during construction.

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

The intersection realignment will provide a safer intersection because it will be more predictable traffic movement. Drivers can more easily anticipate the movements of other vehicles when the intersection is symmetrical. It will improve traffic flow, reduce congestion, improve safety, reduce environmental impact, and improve aesthetics.

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

Both SR 710 and CR 714 are roadways of regional importance and thousands of motorists utilize them daily. SR 710 is in the midst of designation as a National Highway Freight network because of the volume of truck traffic on this roadway.

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

The intersection realignment will improve the safety of this intersection and reduce serious and fatal accidents. Serious and fatal accident data will be monitored for performance measures.

**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?**

Funding would be upon request for reimbursement with validation of completion according to plans and specifications at contractually agreed upon milestones and deliverables. Failure to meet contractual deliverables would result in denial of reimbursement request for funding.

#### 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**



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#### 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

#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number