



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3017

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

As increased traffic contributes to the tremendous congestion on US 331 through DeFuniak Springs, the city is seeing a subsequent pattern of traffic shifting to alternate routes including Bruce Avenue. Improvements to this roadway would significantly improve the city's transportation system.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?  No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>500,000</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)	500,000	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>500,000</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

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



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The city received approximately \$3.5 million from the American Rescue Plan Act and allocated the funding towards expansion of the DeFuniak Springs Municipal Airport.

### 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?

12/1/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

9/1/2025

**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.**

City of DeFuniak Springs.

**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	The scope of services for this project include survey, design, preparation of construction plans and specifications, permitting, construction and construction engineering, and inspection (CEI).	500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>500,000</b>

**14. Program Performance**

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

Improved traffic and safety.

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

The proposed improvements will provide a major benefit through traffic and safety enhancements for the citizens of DeFuniak Springs and Walton County.



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

The project will assist with improving access to major businesses as it serves as a main arterial road for growth. The road also provides another route for traffic around DeFuniak Springs thus alleviating a lot of traffic congestion on the main highways.

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

The general population; anyone using this roadway.

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

Improved transit conditions: monitor the increased level of traffic on this roadway as it alleviates traffic congestion on other major highways.  
 Improve economic activity: The project will provide greater access to major businesses and will allow for greater economic growth.

**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?**

If appropriated, the City of DeFuniak Springs will ensure that all deliverables and performance measures set forth in the funding agreement are met. These measures will include engaging a compliance/project management team to work with city staff to oversee administration and compliance of the appropriated funds.

**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)

**d. First Name**  **Last Name**

**e. E-mail Address**



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f. Phone Number

#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number