



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1246

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

**4. Project/Program Description**

Funding will go towards the resilience, hardening, and renovation of a 1927 historic fire station, the third oldest operating fire station in the State of Florida. The fire station houses fire and EMS personnel and equipment who are responsible for the delivery of emergency services for approximately one-third of the community on a 24/7/365 basis. The historic fire station has suffered from dangerous structural problems and water intrusion that has created an unsafe environment for the firefighters and making it uninhabitable. This renovation will restore the building to a safe and functional condition. It will harden the building from the effects of future hurricanes and natural disasters thus preserving its resiliency. And, importantly, it will preserve the historic landmark nature of the third oldest operating fire station in the State of Florida. The restoration is essential to allow for emergency response and the continued fire and life safety of one-third of the community.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

**State Agency contacted?**  Yes

**6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024**

| Type of Funding                    | Amount         |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Operations                         | 0              |
| Fixed Capital Outlay               | 875,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested</b> | <b>875,000</b> |

**7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)**

| Type of Funding                                      | Amount            | Percentage  |
|--|-------------------|-------------|
| Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)       | 875,000           | 8%          |
| <b>Matching Funds</b>                                |                   |             |
| Federal  | 0                 | 0%          |
| State (excluding the amount of this request)         | 0                 | 0%          |
| Local  | 10,125,000        | 92%         |
| Other  | 0                 | 0%          |
| <b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b> | <b>11,000,000</b> | <b>100%</b> |

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**  No

| Fiscal Year<br>(yyyy-yy) | Amount    |              | Specific<br>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?

Yes

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

\$201,408.88 for PPE, remote communication/meeting methods, employee testing, partitioning and contact point removal, sanitization, inpatient/outpatient care and  
\$14,856.32 for lost EMS service revenue

## 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

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

Yes

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 facility is owned by the Town of Palm Beach which is the requester of this appropriations project.

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 funding will go towards the renovation and resiliency of a 1927 historic fire station, including engineering and construction/renovation costs necessary to restore the building to a safe and functional condition, allow for the continue fire and EMS response for community, harden the building from the effects of future storms, and preserve the historic landmark nature of the building. | 875,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b> |  | <b>875,000</b> |



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#### 14. Program Performance

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

Funding will restore Palm Beach's 1927 historic fire station, the third oldest operating fire station in the State of Florida, to a safe and functional condition, allow for the continued fire and EMS response for community, harden the building from the effects of future storms, and preserve the historic landmark nature of the building. The fire station will house firefighters and EMS personnel and equipment that provide emergency services for approximately third of the community on a 24/7/365 basis. The historic fire station has suffered from prior hurricane damage and worsening structural and water intrusion problems that have created an unsafe environment for the firefighters.

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

The funding will contribute toward the cost of engineering and construction/renovation costs necessary to restore the historic fire station to a safe and functional condition, thus allowing for the continue fire and EMS response for community. It will also provide for hardening of the building from the effects of future storms, and preserve the historic landmark nature of the building.

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

Fire and emergency medical response will come directly from this fire station. In addition, the fire station serves as a well known point of care within the community, with numerous residents coming to the station each year for medical care, blood pressure screenings, CPR classes, vaccinations, or just to bring their kids and grandchildren for a tour and to meet the firefighters.

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

The target population is primarily the residents and visitors in the northern portion of our community, which are a diverse mix of families with children, working adults, and retired senior citizens. In addition, this fire station serves as the secondary provider for fire and emergency medical services to the remainder of our community should the other two stations be on another emergency.

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

The hardening and resiliency of the building will allow for its use to respond to emergencies during storms. This will be measured by its continued use during storm conditions. The renovation of the building will remove health hazards to firefighters and paramedics who operate from the building. This will be measured by a decrease in health-related claims by employees. The renovation will allow fire and EMS personnel to respond quickly to emergency calls for the northern third of the community. This will be measured by monitoring and maintaining a less than five minute average response time from this station.

**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 project is protected by a performance bond.

#### 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