



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1260

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Addressing the lack of affordable homeownership within Pinellas & Pasco Counties. Funding will be dedicated to support horizontal development activities for the construction of 4 subdivisions, totaling 92 affordable homeownership units in Pinellas and western Pasco Counties. These activities include infrastructure development, architectural, civil engineering and other related expenses that are necessary for the successful completion of the developments.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>2,000,000</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)	2,000,000	9%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	250,000	1%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,250,000	5%
Other	20,330,000	85%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>23,830,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

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?

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



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Our organization received \$500,000 in Paycheck Protection Program funding to help sustain our operations during the government-mandated lockdown during the early stages of the pandemic.

## 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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

1/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

09/2024

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.

Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas County Inc a 501C3 nonprofit organization will be the sole developer for all properties. Upon successful construction of each individual home, the homes will be sold on a fee-simple basis to income qualified homeowners making less than 80% of the area median income.

### 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	This funding request will support the direct infrastructure costs associated with 4 planned subdivisions totaling 92-units. This will include civil infrastructure costs such as engineering, water, sanitary sewer, other utilities, roadways, and pedestrian pathways.	2,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>2,000,000</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?**

Habitat for Humanity of Pinellas & Pasco Counties will act as the sole developer for all affordable housing developments that receive funding, managing all aspects of construction which includes, selecting contractors, subcontractors and overseeing their work. Lastly, our organization will ensure each unit is occupied by income-qualified homeowners.

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

Habitat builds and sells homes at no profit and no interest to households who do not qualify for a traditional mortgage. The program prepares homeowner partners to be successful homeowners through an education curriculum of 32 classes, from budgeting to home maintenance. The program is predicated on the principle of a hand-up and not a handout. Homeowners purchase their home from Habitat and are provided a 'conventional' 30-year 0% interest mortgage, never paying over 30% of their total household income for their housing expense.

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

Population served by this funding will be income-qualified homeowners at or below 80% of the area median income as determined by HUD adjusted for family size. Anticipated total individuals directly served is between 275 - 325.

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

Ultimate success will be measured by a homeowner receiving the keys to their new home and officially becoming the newest homeowner in Pinellas or Pasco County. If awarded funding, ultimate program success would be measured by the number of homes constructed, number of successful homes sold to income qualified homeowners and ensuring all homeowners are paying no more than 30% of their gross monthly income to their housing expenses.

**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?**

Penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures in a contract must comply with the rules and regulations of the agency and the State of Florida. In the event of a nonperformance the agency may implement a variety of penalties to address the issue. Ultimately, the agency should have the ability to recover funds that were paid to the contractor for work that was not completed or not completed to the agency's satisfaction

**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



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- 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**