



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 3110

1. Project Title Tampa Fire Rescue South Tampa Rescue/Marine Unit

2. Senate Sponsor Jay Collins

3. Date of Request 03/14/2023

4. Project/Program Description

To improve response times for emergency rescue calls in South Tampa, Tampa Fire Rescue would like to add an additional rescue unit that will operate out of Station #19 in Port Tampa City. Station #19 is a dedicated Marine Station which responds to emergency calls including water rescue in the Tampa Bay area. Recent population growth in the area has resulted in an increase in emergency calls for the area South of Gandy, and the geographic distance makes it difficult to route units from other stations in a timely manner if calls are received at the same time. Funding for this unit will cover costs related to outfitting a specialized rescue transport vehicle with lifesaving equipment including water rescue dive equipment, marine technology, advance life support equipment, power load stretcher, tow technology for personal rescue watercraft, and the unit will be staffed by two to three certified paramedics. The paramedics will be trained in dive and water-related injuries.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Financial Services

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	290,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	290,000

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)	290,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	290,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	580,000	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.



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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.

\$90.47 million in ARPA, CARES, HUD, JAG and HUD rental assistance that was used for small business assistance programs, housing and rental assistance programs, revenue recovery, testing, vaccine distribution, public safety overtime, and similar activities.

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)?

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.

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	Funding for this unit will cover costs related to outfitting a specialized rescue transport vehicle with lifesaving equipment including water rescue dive equipment, marine technology, advance life support equipment, power load stretcher, and tow technology for personal rescue watercraft.	290,000
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		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		290,000

14. Program Performance



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

The goal of this expenditure is to reduce emergency response times in South Tampa.

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

Response to emergency calls requiring paramedics, including water rescues. Paramedics will be trained in dive and water-related injuries.

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

Lifesaving emergency response.

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

This response team will primarily serve the 33611 and 33616 zip codes, with a population of 48,426 individuals. The marine unit will launch out of Port Tampa City and will serve boaters on Tampa Bay.

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

Tampa Fire Rescue measures the response time between all calls and when responders arrive on the scene, which helps identify where additional resources should be located. The expected outcome is an improved response time for all calls in this geographic region.

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?

Standard contract penalties.

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)



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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