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The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1297

roject Title	Hialeah Gardens Active Shooter and Emergency Response Training
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2. Senate Sponsor Bryan Avila

3. Date of Request 02/07/2023

4. Project/Program Description

The purpose is to build an active shooter training facility. The funding would help better prepare officers to handle active shooter and mental health scenarios with more proficiency and effectiveness. The 9000 square feet training facility will consist of a virtual reality training simulator, indoor firearms range classroom and a defensive tactics training area.

5. State Agency to receive requested fund

Department of Law Enforcement

State Agency contacted? N

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

Type of Funding	Amount	
Operations	400,000	
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,600,000	
Total State Funds Requested	2,000,000	

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)	2,000,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	2,000,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	4,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Amo	ount	Specific	Vetoed	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #		

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?

No

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



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The ARAP funds were used last fiscal year for infrastructure project – Water Main re locations in approximately \$900K, upgrade to police fleet of \$96K for a total of \$996K.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

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a. What is the current phase of the project?

Planning Obesign Oconstruction

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

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

What is the	estimated co	ompletion	date of	construction?
What is the	commatcu co	Junpicuon		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.

Yes

7/1/2023

7/1/2024

City of Hialeah Gardens

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		0			
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0			
Operational Costs: Other	Operational Costs: Other				
Salary and Benefits		0			
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Virtual Reality Training Simulator \$175,000 Indoor Range \$325,000	400,000			
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0			
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:					
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	Building	1,600,000			
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)2,000,000					

14. Program Performance

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

The training facility will help improve the performance of our law enforcements officers and first responders in highpressure real-world simulations. These background of training simulations can be set to actual physical locations in our community like elementary schools, or government buildings. The training facility will help boost morale, retention, and recruitment of our public safety personnel, with modern training. Law enforcement officers can repeatedly train to improve reaction time and decision-making without risk of injury.

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



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Modern training facility will include community spaces, computer labs, classroom, scenario training simulator, defensive tactics training, gym, and an indoor shooting range. Virtual reality form of training gives officers another way to be better equipped to keep the community safe. This training can be used for a variety of common, high-pressure real-world situations including domestic disputes, traffic stops and school shootings. Simulated weapons used during training include rifles, pistols, machine guns, tasers, and pepper spray.

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

Citizens will have an opportunity to participate and be exposed to the virtual reality simulator. Additionally, citizens will benefit from having law enforcement and first responders that will be substantially more equipped to handle emergency active shooter situations.

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

Police and first responders.

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

be measured?

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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 City is open to any proposed penalties for failing to deliver or perform.

15. Requester Contact Information

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16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization City of Hialeah Gardens

b. Municipality and County Miami-Dade

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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