



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1504

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

Protecting the downtown historic district and adjacent historic neighborhoods of St. Augustine from flooding during storm events. There is periodic flooding of downtown St. Augustine during exceptionally high tides, tropical storms and hurricanes and this project will provide a barrier to rising floodwaters and storm surges for some of the most important historic properties in the nation. State funding is critical to complete this project. The city will contribute \$2,875,000 and has received ARPA funding of almost \$20,000,000 but this will not complete the project. Funding from the State of Florida is critical to complete this project and protect the Nation's Oldest City from flooding.

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	10,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	10,000,000

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)	10,000,000	30%
Matching Funds		
Federal	19,959,280	61%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	2,875,000	9%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	32,834,280	100%

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.**
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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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

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		0
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	This request will enable us to finish the current design that is underway for the project and complete permitting. It would allow us to construct stormwater utilities, a pump station, elevating streets, replacing impacted utilities, installing tide check valves and building bulkheads to protect the historic core of St. Augustine from storm surges, tidal flooding and climate change.	10,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		10,000,000

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?

Critical infrastructure will be targeted for flood mitigation and resilience to serve the surrounding community, providing a higher level of service. This includes emergency ingress/egress, protection of 186 at risk residential/commercial/historic structures, upgraded utilities (water and sewer), upgraded stormwater, conversion of existing overhead power lines to underground.

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

Flood protection for private properties in the downtown historic district and adjacent residential neighborhoods to prevent damage to businesses, homes and the environment due to storms, sea level rise and climate change, including the protection of numerous properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

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

The target population is all property owners and residents in downtown St. Augustine, including homeowners, business owners and institutional properties such as churches and schools. The number of property owners and residents who will see a direct benefit from this project is 3,300-3,500.

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

Reduced exposure from potential contamination from flooded waters. Reduced road impacts (such as frequency, duration and/or depth) of flooding from a variety of events: sunny day flooding, rainfall driven flooding, and impacts from coastal storms. Reduced financial impacts to current residential, commercial and governmental institutions as a result of flood damages. This can be documented with photographs and measured number of road flooding events.

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 are sufficient.

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)



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- 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

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify) Received ARPA funding through DEP
- N/A

19. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
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- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

20. What is the status of construction?

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?



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22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?