



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1785

1. Project Title The Florida Holocaust Museum: Security & Educational Enhancements for Students, Educators & Scholars

2. Senate Sponsor Nick DiCeglie

3. Date of Request 02/20/2023

4. Project/Program Description

This request to revert and reappropriate funding approved by the Legislature and Governor in the 2022 budget will ensure the security of students and visitors, preserve historical artifacts and survivor testimonies, provide free educational resources, and demonstrate state and community solidarity against antisemitism in all its forms. Additional funding, which is essential to complete the project as originally approved, represents an estimated 42% increase in construction, material and labor costs over the last 17 months, an expected additional 7% inflation escalation in 2023, costs associated with ensuring the secure relocation of Museum collections and staff while the facility is under construction.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Education

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	7,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	7,500,000

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)	7,500,000	43%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	10,000,000	57%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	17,500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2022-23	0	5,000,000	104	No

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.

The state's contribution of \$7.5 million to ensure a more secure museum environment for students and visitors will be matched by \$10 million in local and privately generated resources.

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



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Yes

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

In FY 2020-2021, The Florida Holocaust Museum received \$258,160 in PPP funds used for payroll and health insurance for employees during a 10-week period, as well as a \$149,900 EIDL loan for Museum operational expenses, during the COVID 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?

2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

2026

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 Florida Holocaust Museum, the sole owner of the facility, will receive the FCO funding.

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	Facility improvements, remediation and related costs to expand, preserve, and secure the museum's environment and resources for students, teachers, scholars, descendants and visitors.	7,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		7,500,000

14. Program Performance

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



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State resources will provide a more secure museum environment for students and visitors, build a new collections and conservation center to preserve Holocaust artifacts, expand the Museum's capacity to engage students and visitors with Survivors through virtual testimonies, and develop a center for young children and their families featuring interactives, visual art and virtual reality.

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

State resources are essential to ensuring the security of students and visitors, preserving historical artifacts and survivor testimonies, providing free educational resources, and demonstrating state and community solidarity against antisemitism in all its forms.

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

Facility improvements will expand, preserve, and secure the museum's environment and resources for students, scholars, descendants and visitors through, for example: sheltered pathways for student and school bus access to the building and enhanced classroom space where these students can learn about the Holocaust in a safe and secure environment; increased capacity to leverage Dimensions in Testimony (DiT) investments in AI technology to ensure that students and visitors can forever engage in conversations with survivors in real-time and hear their stories from their own voices; and a Collections, Preservation & Research center to ensure safekeeping of Holocaust artifacts donated by survivors and a secure space where scholars and descendants can research and learn from these irreplaceable pieces of history.

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

Over 1300 teachers, 180,000 students, and 23,000 individuals who are impacted through its educational programs, survivor talks, and commemorations each year.

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

Outcomes include reduced threat vulnerability, increased access to free educational resources and preserved historical artifacts and survivor testimonies.

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?

Dispersed funds for deliverables not met will be returned to the State.

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