



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2221

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

## 4. Project/Program Description

The requested funding will expand the Water Treatment Plant capacity to the permitted and designed buildout. The increasing and exponential need for additional housing requires the city to respond with adequate and sustainable utilities to support the additional demand. Expansion will allow the water treatment plant to produce 12 million gallons per day of finished, treated, potable water for Fort Myers residents and allows for increased resiliency and modernization of an essential city facility.

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	2,500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>2,500,000</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)	2,500,000	10%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	13,059,486	48%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	11,440,514	42%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>27,000,000</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?



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

The City spent and/or allocated \$15,759,486.00 in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provided through the American Rescue Plan Act. This funding was utilized for Affordable Housing Projects and allocated toward the Water Plant Expansion project.

## 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?

09/01/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/01/2024

### 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.

The City of Fort Myers owns the Water Treatment Plant, and will be the direct recipient of any assistance provided through this fixed capital outlay.

### 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	The funds will be spent to construct and increase the capacity of the existing water treatment plant by 3 Million gallons per day. This additional capacity supports the increasing need within the City of Fort Myers for additional utility support to match the growth in population.	2,500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>2,500,000</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?**

The City will have the ability to treat and service an additional 3 million gallons per day of water, allowing an increase in distributed utilities to the citizens of Fort Myers. It will also mitigate potential loss of resources in the event of disaster, by increasing the availability of resources. The expansion will add and promote resiliency within the city.

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

Increased utility services, with fresh, potable water.

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

The citizens of Fort Myers will all be served by this expansion. The population is about 92,000.

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

The project is intended to increase the amount and pressure of safe, potable water that is distributed to the citizens of fort myers. This will be measured by the holding capacities of the tanks and the daily pounds per square inch (PSI) of distribution.

**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?**

Repayment of funds

**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



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☐ 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)
- ☒ 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?

#### 22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?