



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2604

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Funds provided by this appropriation would allow the City of Fort Walton Beach (City) to expand its emergency services capabilities and to place a fire station in an area essential to providing services to the City's west side to include the Commerce and Technology Park (CTP). The CTP contains private companies that are essential to Eglin AFB and Hurlburt Field and to the U.S. military's aerospace operations. Companies such as Lockheed-Martin, Boeing, BAE, & Micro Systems are located in the CTP.

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	1,350,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,350,000

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)	1,350,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,350,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	2,700,000	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.

City of FWB General Fund - Ad Valorem Revenues, Fire Services Assessment Fees, and/or HalfCent Surtax Revenues

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 of Fort Walton Beach (City) received CARES Act & ARPA Funding related to COVID-19. The CARES Act funds were used for first responder payroll expenses and materials and equipment to protect employees from exposure. ARPA funds have not been used to date. Specifically, the City received the following amounts: COVID-19 - \$3,792,200 and ARPA - \$3,763,004.

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?

11/01/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

11/01/2024

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 Walton Beach.

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	Construction of a new fire station.	1,350,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,350,000

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?

Increased fire prevention, life safety, and emergency management response and education to residents and businesses. Our community risk reduction program the CARES (Community Assistance, Referral, and Education Service) will be a direct benefit to everyone. Drug and violence prevention programs, community CPR classes and a cadet program that recruits, trains, educates, and employees at risk citizens.

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

Increased fire prevention, life safety, and emergency management response and education to residents and businesses. Our community risk reduction program the CARES (Community Assistance, Referral, and Education Service) will be a direct benefit to everyone. Drug and violence prevention programs, community CPR classes and a cadet program that recruits, trains, educates, and employees at risk citizens. The station design can house eight personnel at one time. The station will be open to law enforcement to establish a substation to have a much-needed presence on the West side. This will lead to improved fire response time and improved police response.

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

The emergency services provided by units assigned to this fire station would benefit all 21,000 residents of the City of Fort Walton Beach and others in surrounding areas of unincorporated Okaloosa County.

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

Improved physical health through improved Emergency Response Times; Improved quality of education through increased Fire Prevention, Life Safety & Emergency Management outreach programs to the public; Protect the general public from harm through Improved Emergency Response Times; and Increase or improve economic activity through maintained or improved Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating for insurance purposes.

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?

Revocation of funding.

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)



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- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- 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