



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1657

1. Title of Project: Government Communications Network Digital Upgrade

2. Senate Sponsor: Lizbeth Benacquisto

3. Date of Submission: 02/11/2019

4. Project/Program Description:

Lee County's government communication network, a land mobile radio system supporting more than 8,000 users, is in need of replacement and migration to a new digital radio network. The radio network replacement will expand capacity, improve reliability, and integrate with other local and state emergency providers by using new equipment and system design strategies, making it more resilient during disasters and large-scale emergencies. The existing system can no longer be supported by technical support and equipment replacements.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds : Department of Economic Opportunity

State Agency Contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	8,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	8,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	8,000,000	44.44%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	1,000,000	5.56%
Local	9,000,000	50.00%
Other	0	0.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	18,000,000	100.0%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		
2018-19		1,000,000	2233A	No

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No

10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and		



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1657

Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Funding to replace analog radio network equipment with new digital equipment.	8,000,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning		
Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		8,000,000

11. Program Performance:

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

Replacement of the county's existing analog radio network with a new digital radio system, including design features to expand capacity and improve resiliency during disasters.

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

Replacement of the existing analog hardware with new equipment, as well as improvements to data back-haul and redundancy at remote tower sites.

c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

No direct services are provided to citizens.

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

Those individuals that require emergency assistance, which includes the county's resident population of more than 700,000, plus more than 4 million visitors each year.

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

Improvement in system uptime reports; exercise or real-life emergency after action reports following the expansion; and decrease in the system being busy or unavailable.

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 in the contract?

Failure to adequately fulfill deliverables as contractually agreed can lead to non-payment and/or contract termination.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

Lee County



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1657

13. Requestor Contact Information:

- a. **Name:** Glen Salyer
- b. **Organization:** Lee County - Assistant County Manager
- c. **E-mail Address:** gsalyer@leegov.com
- d. **Phone Number:** (239)533-2221

14. Recipient Contact Information:

- a. **Organization:** Lee County - Assistant County Manager
- b. **County:** Lee
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
- d. **Contact Name:** Glen Salyer
- e. **E-mail Address:** gsalyer@leegov.com
- f. **Phone Number:** (239)533-2221

15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. **Name:** Cari Roth
- b. **Firm Name:** Dean, Mead & Dunbar
- c. **E-mail Address:** croth@deanmead.com
- d. **Phone Number:** (850)999-4100