



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1997

**1. Title of Project:** City of Tamarac - Fire Station 36

**2. Senate Sponsor:** Perry Thurston

**3. Date of Submission:** 02/04/2019

**4. Project/Program Description:**

Construction of new fire station essential for public safety to:

\*Reduce Response Times for fire and critical response in the area of demonstrated need; significantly improving medical patient survival and recovery chances; & increasing life safety and reducing property damage during fire events; and

\*Be a Critical Facility and Field Operations Center during emergency events and/or acts of terror.

**5. State Agency to receive requested funds :** Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency Contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,300,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,300,000</b>

**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)	1,300,000	25.00%
Federal		0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)		0.00%
Local	3,900,000	75.00%
Other		0.00%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020</b>	<b>5,200,000</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**8. Has this project previously received state funding?** No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

**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
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and		



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Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Operational Costs:</b>		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construction of new fire station	1,300,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,300,000</b>

**11. Program Performance:**

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

The project has two specific goals: (1)Reduce response times. Deployment of a temporary modular rescue at the future construction site has proven to significantly decrease response times in the challenging area (Fractile response times improved from 81% of responses within the targeted 8 min prior to the deployment of the temporary station to 96.7% of responses within 8 min in 2017). Construction of a new station #36 will provide a permanent solution to the identified area's response time problem. It will serve Tamarac/neighborhood cities/Broward County; and (2)Provide a Field Operations Center during emergency events such as hurricanes or acts of terror.

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

The new station provides four bays accommodating four response vehicles. Emergency response services, including Fire Rescue/ Ambulance/Automatic Aid Agreements/Field Ops Center during storm or emergency event, will be provided. Of the 37 entities in Broward County, Tamarac ranks 15th from the bottom in median household income (MHI). The project will provide vital emergency response services to these residents plus nearby cities such as North Lauderdale, Lauderhill, Lauderdale Lakes and Margate, that rank in the bottom 10 communities for MHI. Therefore the project provides a CRITICAL AND REGIONAL benefit to these communities, costing less than \$1 in State funds per Broward County resident.

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

FS #36 will provide emergency medical services, fire suppression and prevention, hazard mitigation, inspection services, training and public education. As a Field Operations Center, FS #36 will be a part of the Tamarac and Broward emergency response team, providing emergency preparedness and facilitating emergency management efforts during and after an activation. Tamarac Fire Rescue data analysis indicated a need in the community to address the emergency response time challenges (approximately 81% of responses in the area met the 8 minute goal, which is 9% points below the industry standard - NFPA 1710). As proven by the deployment of the temporary solution which helped to reduce response times (response within 8 minutes went up to 96.7% meeting the goal), the new station and FOC will provide the permanent solution to the response



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time challenge and improve communication and education pertaining to emergency event preparedness and response.

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

Target populations served by this project include 1) Tamarac residents (64,660), businesses, visitors- serving the general public and ensuring equitable services to elderly, low income, ethnically diverse populations, 2) Cities with whom we have automatic/mutual aid agreements, e.g. N. Lauderdale, Lauderhill, Margate, and more with a combined pop. over 300,000 just in the immediate vicinity. Located only about 4 miles from 2 major highways -- SR869 & Florida Turnpike, FS #36 will provide emergency and Haz-Mat services to accident victims, commuters, truckers and travelers. Tamarac is also 19 miles from the Ft Lauderdale/Hollywood Airport and is practically on site of the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport. Tamarac Fire Rescue treated and transported people during the active shooter activation on 1-6-17. Demand for emergency services in Tamarac is increasing every year, e.g. structural fires increased 40% from 2013 to 2015; vehicle fires doubled and accidents rose a staggering 85% to 67.

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

Deployment of the temporary station has proven the viability of the FS #36 as a permanent solution to improve response times and meet the standards (please see 11c), improving patient chances of survival and recovery (measured by EMS % return of spontaneous circulation). The fire and medical emergency response services are critical public safety services that our residents and visitors, our businesses, their employees and patrons expect. According to resident survey data, satisfaction with fire rescue response has gradually declined since 2007 to 2016 (from 91% to 83% for medical emergencies and from 87% to 81% for fire emergencies). It improved in 2018 after the City invested in solutions to address challenging areas (to 87% for medical and 83% for fire emergencies), demonstrating the need to invest in the construction of the new station #36. Community education and engagement will be measured by Number of community Emergency Response Team resident volunteers and Cadets trained.

**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 meet deliverables or performance measures will result in reduction or loss of appropriated funding.

**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.**

N/A: The City of Tamarac owns both the land and the future facility.

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**b. County:** Broward

**c. Organization Type:**

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (Please specify)

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