



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2225

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

The City of DeFuniak Springs Municipal Airport runway widening and extension will allow the airport to accommodate a wide range of general aviation aircraft, including business jets. As the only airport in Walton County, the project will address documented demand for additional runway take-off length (from 4,146 feet to 5,004 feet) to support growth and development. The airport was recently considered by a prospective aerospace company seeking to expand their business but the city was unable to submit a proposal because the company stated they would require a runway of at least 5,000 linear feet.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?     Yes     No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="000"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="3,300,000"/>
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>3,300,000</b>

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="3300000"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="100.0"/> %
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Local	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Other	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021</b>	<b>3,300,000</b>	<b>100</b> %

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**     Yes     No
- If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?**     Yes     No
- If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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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 Benefits		<input type="text"/>
Other Salary and Benefits		<input type="text"/>
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		<input type="text"/>
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input type="text"/>
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		<input type="text"/>
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		<input type="text"/>
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input type="text"/>
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Project scope and deliverables will include engineering, grading, stormwater improvements, taxiway and aircraft apron improvements, airfield pavement markings, and runway and taxiway edge lighting.	3,300,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>3,300,000</b>



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## 11. Program Performance

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

The primary runway at the DeFuniak Springs Municipal Airport, Runway 9-27, is currently 4,146 feet in length and 60 feet in width, which is insufficient to accommodate larger business jets as well as attract aerospace industries.

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

The DeFuniak Springs Airport runway widening and extension will continue to provide support for several commercial businesses located at the airport. The strategic effort to attract commercial businesses in the aerospace, defense, and aviation industries will provide added value and diversity to the Walton County and DeFuniak Springs jobs markets.

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

The airport expansion would create a favorable business environment for aviation, aerospace, and defense, as well as help transportation trade industries to succeed in the mission of enhancing Florida's economy. As the airport expands, business and leisure travelers and private pilots would have the means to visit historic DeFuniak Springs.

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

As the only airport in Walton County, many of the local residents will benefit from an expansion in industry opportunities. Increased economic development will directly benefit the unemployed and economically disadvantaged in Walton County. The range of individuals expected to be directly served by this project is 200-400.

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

North Walton County has experienced years of depressed economic conditions caused by years of decline or stagnation in local trade industries. These conditions led then-Governor Rick Scott to designate the area as a Rural Area of Economic Opportunity in 2017. Bringing new industries to the area will lead to higher wage jobs and increase the median household income of local residents.

- 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?

There will be clawback provisions requiring the facility user to pay for performance metrics identified and not achieved.



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12. **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 DeFuniak Springs.

13. **Requestor Contact Information**

- a. First Name  Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number  Ext.

14. **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
  - Other (please specify)
- d. First Name  Last Name
- e. E-mail Address
- f. Phone Number

15. **Lobbyist Contact Information**

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number  Ext.