



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1810

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	300,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>300,000</b>

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	300,000	50%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	300,000	50%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022</b>	<b>600,000</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?

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



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The city entered into an Interlocal agreement with Lee County to receive up to \$1.6 million through the LeeCARES program, which is COVID-19 funding via the federal CARES Act. The city has applied to be reimbursed for expenses related to remote meeting technology and law enforcement. None of this money was directed for this proposed project.

#### 11. 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 scale of the flooding problem necessitates that the city pursue multiple solutions. This funding will be used to develop home elevation projects as well as provide a source for the home buyout program.	300,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>300,000</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

The city will be able to move families to another area of the city that does not flood. The project will also provide an opportunity to elevate homes thus allowing families and residents to remain in their homes, but out of harm's way. It will also reduce the need for additional funds for the National Flood Insurance Program.

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

The city will purchase the neighborhood structures. The homeowner will have the ability to relocate to an area that does not experience flooding. Once the city owns the property, the land will remain in the city's ownership in perpetuity. The activities will also allow elevation of existing home structures out of the flooding area while remaining in the neighborhood.

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

Citizens taking advantage of either the buyout or elevation will be safe from future flooding. Their quality of life will be greatly improved by not having to relocate out of their homes following the next flooding event while having added expenses to repair their homes to be habitable again.

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

Residential owners in the neighborhood identified. The city currently has approximately 75 families that have expressed written interest in participating in the program.

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



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The project benefit will be the reduced risk of rising water/stormwater flooding in residential homes. The methodology to measure the project will be the reduction in National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) claims.

**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?**

This neighborhood floods repetitively during large storm events. The most recent event, Hurricane Irma in September 2017, left 4 feet of standing water inside almost 95% of the houses in the neighborhood for over 4 weeks. Offering interested parties the ability to either elevate out of the flooded areas when they occur or allow the city to purchase their existing homes so they can move out of a flooded area ensures the health, safety, and welfare of Bonita residents.

**13. 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.**

Through the buyout process the city will demolish all structures on the property and the vacant land will remain in the city's ownership in perpetuity. Homeowners will retain ownership over the elevated homes.



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#### 14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name  Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.

#### 15. 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

#### 16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number