



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2489

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Installation of fiber along the US 98 corridor from US 331 to the Okaloosa County line. The project will provide fiber infrastructure that will be used for the maintenance of traffic signals and provide opportunities for economic development.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,100,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,100,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	2,100,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	2,100,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? No

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?

Yes

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



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Walton County allocated the following federal assistance with related to the COVID-19 pandemic:
 Coronavirus Relief Funds = \$12,924,820
 CARES Act = \$580,769
 ARPA funds = \$14,387,423.00
 These funds were used for COVID-19 related items, HUD, SHIP, Supervisor of Elections, water and sewer infrastructure, storm water infrastructure, and education related items for disadvantage populations as authorized by the state and federal guidelines.

11. 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	Installation of fiber along the US 98 corridor from US 331 to the Okaloosa County Line.	2,100,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,100,000

12. Program Performance

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

Will provide fiber infrastructure for both traffic maintenance and providing opportunities for economic development.

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

Installation of fiber along the US 98 corridor from US 331 to the Okaloosa County line.

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

Accessibility to high speed Internet through fiber lines that will aid in traffic signal maintenance.

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

All citizens and visitors of Walton County, Florida

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

Completion of the project will provide access to high speed internet which will be used to maintain traffic signals and to promote economic development. It will be measured by the number of traffic signals that are connected to the network.

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?

If Walton County fails to meet the deliverables to this appropriation all funds will be returned to the state.



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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.

Walton County Board of County Commissioners.



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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