



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2570

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

One of OCRA's initiatives is to create a small business/technology incubator program to facilitate educational programs as well as entrepreneurship courses and resources, all to promote organic job creation and business retention in the city. OCRA staff has looked at potential properties to propose an adaptive reuse for a facility to promote the creation of a technology and innovation center as part of the initiatives of the OCRA. REQUEST: An allocation of up to \$5,000,000 for remediation of the site selected and buildout for new uses.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	5,000,000

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)	5,000,000	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	5,000,000	100%

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?



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

1. Department of Treasury = American Rescue Plan Act - \$3,978,531 (directly to the city through state, federal funds) - Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery
2. Department of Justice = CARES Act - \$84,741 (directly to the city, federal funds) BJA FY20 Coronavirus - 2020-VD-BX-1836
3. Department of Treasury = CARES Act for programs - \$2,099,999.98 - (pass through to the city from the county, federal funds)
4. Department of Treasury = CARES Act for operating reimbursements - \$2,002,093.09

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	Remediation of the site selected and buildout for new uses.	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,000,000

12. Program Performance

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

Creating a create a makerspace facility to facilitate a co-working space, educational programs, as well as entrepreneurship courses and resources, all to promote organic job creation and business retention in the city.

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

Establishing a facility to promote the creation of a technology and innovation center as part of the initiatives of the OCRA.

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

Enabling a makerspace facility to facilitate educational programs as well as entrepreneurship courses and resources, all to promote organic job creation and business retention in the city.

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

General population

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

New job/career creation, civic engagement, and expanded economic opportunity for underserved community.

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?



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Standard contract penalties are sufficient.

- 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.**

The Opa-Locka CRA is currently in discussions with Florida Memorial University, Miami-Dade College, Florida International University in partnership with the Beacon Council and the Carrie Meek Foundation to put together programs for technical training and entrepreneurship programs for Opa-Locka residents. The owner of the facility will be determined based upon the outcome of the discussions.



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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