



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1328

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

4. Project/Program Description

The Town of Cutler Bay requests \$300,000 in matching funds to support the restoration of the Bel-Aire Park Community Room. Bel-Aire Park is home to the Palmetto Raiders Youth football and cheerleading program. This athletic and academic support program has seven (7) national championships and developed multiple NFL players and high-achieving scholars. The Community Room has been uninhabitable since July 11, 2022, due to the potential risk of structural building collapse. The youth program is displaced to ensure public safety. Funds will be used to demolish the existing 1,375 sq ft building and construct a 2,500 sq ft ADA accessible building to house a multi-purpose room for indoor recreational activities, academic support, and community gatherings. Additionally, the building will have space for concessions and public restrooms that meet current ADA and building regulations.

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

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

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

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	300,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	300,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	600,000	100%

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

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

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** Yes 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?**



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

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12. List 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.

13. 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	Construction and Construction, Engineering, and Inspection (CEI) of the Bel-Aire Park Building	300,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		300,000

14. Program Performance

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



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

The project has components: (1) Gain public input on the design plans and potential park activities, and (2) Construct an approximately 2,500 square foot facility to support public recreation.

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

The proposed project expands the availability of safe and accessible recreational spaces for citizens. Citizens in this community currently do not have a park within walking distance from their home, and the existing youth and adult programs have been displaced due to the unsafe structure.

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

The facility supports more than 800 grade school students and the general public each year.

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

The Bel-Aire Park Project improves the physical health by restoring access to public space and ensuring that the community has a safe and accessible neighborhood park within walking distance from their home. The project improves the quality of education by constructing a community room for community based organizations to provide tutoring, academic support, and mentoring for grade school youth. The construction of the facility to include a community room which leads to the reopening of Bel-Aire Park is the measure of success for this project.

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?

The agency will not be reimbursed for project activities that do not meet the deliverables or performance measures.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. 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)



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d. First Name Last Name

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number