



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2406

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

To seek contractual construction services to build 8,640 square foot Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and E911 dispatch hardened to a Category 4 storm on county owned property where the sheriff's complex is located on 27.62 acres valued at \$5.4 million. The county must provide an efficient/effective disaster preparedness facility for the head of operations and pre-/during/after storm events for first responders and coordinate with emergency personnel and state agencies. The project addresses EMS directive for E911 dispatch operations to be in closer proximity in order to speak, interact, and work in unison with the emergency operations. The design is completed. The current facility is not adequate to properly manage disaster related activities. The county is designated as a rural area of opportunity.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

**State Agency contacted?**

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

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

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)	5,000,000	62%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	3,000,000	38%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>8,000,000</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?**



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Yes

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

Received a total of \$6,553,405 of ARPA funds. Addressed wastewater effluent management storage, community support programs, COVID-19 programs, and vaccine pods.

## 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.

Wakulla County is the entity and the owner.

### 13. 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	Contractual construction services to build EOC as designed.	5,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>5,000,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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



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Protection of life/health/safety. To seek contractual construction services to build a 8,640 square foot EOC and E911 Dispatch hardened to a Category 4 storm on county owned property where the Sheriff's Complex is located on 27.62 acres valued at \$5.4 million. The county must provide efficient/effective disaster preparedness facility for head of operations, pre-/during/after storm for first responders and coordinate with emergency personnel and state agencies. The design is complete and the Pproject is shovel ready.

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

Activities are to seek contractual construction services through the county's procurement process to build an EOC as designed.

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

Allows for efficient and effective disaster preparedness activities, E911 dispatch operations, inter-agency coordination, executive decision making, managing disaster response and recovery services to/for citizenry, prior to/during/after disaster events in a facility designed to withstand up to a Category 4 storm. Protection of life, health and safety for citizenry/residents/visitors and evacuees.

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

Florida residents, visitors, evacuees, and surrounding areas in this rural area of opportunity. Greater than 37,000 individuals.

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

Construction of a state-approved 8,640 sq. ft. hardened EOC and E911 dispatch facility to specifications for a Category 4 storm that will effectively protect the general public by having a fully operational EOC and E911 dispatch with up to code equipment; allows for improved communications with 1st responders, disaster recovery providers, state agencies, etc., to restore basic services efficiently. Improved emergency management response. Employment maintained from project in this rural area of opportunity. The project is included in the Adopted Infrastructure Plan (November 2021), Local Mitigation Strategy (May 2021) and the Public Safety Plan (July 2020).

**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?**

Non-payment of invoices until milestones achieved; implementation of corrective action plan. Standard contract penalties are sufficient.

**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)



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- 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**

#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

**a. Name**

**b. Firm Name**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**