



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2425

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

The project will widen and rehabilitate the bridge to add a continuous sidewalk on the south side of the bridge, will replace all bridge railings to meet current design and safety standards, and will repair or replace sonovoid slabs to extend the life of the bridge.

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	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,000,000

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)	2,000,000	62%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,200,000	38%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	3,200,000	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.**
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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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Palm Beach County is the recipient of CARES Act funds from the US Treasury in the amount of \$261 million dollars. Funding was spent entirely for emergency assistance, mortgage assistance, business grants, COVID-19 sheltering, testing, and isolation and emergency personnel. Palm Beach received approximately \$290 million in American Rescue Plan funding for pandemic related service and infrastructure projects.

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

3/1/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/1/2027

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.

Palm Beach County.

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	The project will widen and rehabilitate the bridge to add a continuous sidewalk on the south side of the bridge, will replace all bridge railings to meet current design and safety standards, and will repair or replace sonovoid slabs to extend the life of the bridge.	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,000,000

14. Program Performance

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

Congestion heading into downtown West Palm Beach will be alleviated, allowing for continued economic development in the surrounding area. Conditions for pedestrians will also be safer.



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

The Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard Bridge over the Florida East Coast (FEC) Railway rehabilitation and widening project is approximately 0.3 miles in length, beginning west of North Sapodilla Avenue and extending east to North Dixie Highway, located entirely within the City of West Palm Beach. The project will widen and rehabilitate the bridge to add a continuous sidewalk on the south side of the bridge, will replace all bridge railings to meet current design

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

Congestion heading into downtown West Palm Beach will be alleviated, allowing for continued economic development in the surrounding area.

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

The residents and visitors of Palm Beach County will all benefit from this project. Thousands of individuals each day will be served by improved traffic flow and safer pedestrian conditions on the bridge.

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

Congestion heading into downtown West Palm Beach will be alleviated, allowing for continued economic development in the immediate area. Additionally, safer conditions for pedestrians by bringing bridge railings up to current safety standards. Improved traffic conditions, increased economic development, and decreased safety incidents involving pedestrians are all ways in which the outcomes can be measured.

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?

Return of funding to the state.

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