



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2646

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

4. Project/Program Description

The City of DeFuniak Springs CR 280B Water and Sewer Expansion project would provide water and wastewater infrastructure to serve properties adjacent to the new CR 280B Connector Road. CR 280B has encouraged economic development in the area as anticipated and is beginning to attract large developments, however, there are currently no utilities in place. By expanding utilities along the roadway, the City of DeFuniak Springs would see new commercial and residential development, new mixed use development and additional development.

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

State Agency contacted? Yes

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	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 2023-2024	2,000,000	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?** Yes
- a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**

b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**

State Revolving Fund (SRF) program

10. **Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?**

Yes



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

The city received a total of \$2.9 million from the American Rescue Plan Act and used the funds towards the expansion of the airport.

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?

5/1/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

3/1/2025

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.

The City is the owner and 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 inspection to upgrade components within the existing water and wastewater system.	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?

There is a demonstrated need for expanded utility infrastructure along the new CR 280B Connector Road. By expanding facilities along the roadway, the City of DeFuniak Springs would see new commercial and residential development and new mixed use, residential and industries.

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



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The funding will allow for engineering, permitting, construction and inspection to upgrade components within the existing water and wastewater systems. This would allow for increased economic development along with new commercial and residential development.

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

There will be an increase in area average wages and services such as food, lodging and retail facilities. There will also be an increase in the number of new skilled jobs in the area.

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

Increased economic development opportunities will directly benefit those individuals who are unemployed or who are economically disadvantaged.

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

There will be an increase in job opportunities and increase in the local median household income (MHI).

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 City will award the contract through a bid process and the bid documents will spell out liquidated damage costs for project overruns.

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)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number



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17. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify)
- N/A

19. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
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- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

20. What is the status of construction?

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?