



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2667

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

In order to appropriately sustain special needs residents at special needs shelters, these shelter sites must have a backup electrical service. Pinellas County is seeking funding to support the purchase and installation of three generators, one each for two new special needs shelter locations and one to replace an existing obsolete, under powered, 20-year-old generator at a third shelter location. In coordination with the Florida Department of Health – Pinellas and the Pinellas County School Board, Pinellas County will properly assess and configure each generator to maintain electrical service for: electrical outlets for durable medical equipment, the HVAC system, emergency lighting and cooking facilities at each school. It is estimated that we will need 720 kw generators or larger to accomplish this.

Pinellas is requesting \$3,750,000 for this project; this includes the cost of the generators and installation.

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	3,750,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>3,750,000</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)	3,750,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
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>3,750,000</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.



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

Yes

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

\$170,129,283.40

Eligible programs, services, and 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?

2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

2/1/2025

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 Pinellas County School Board are the owners of the school facilities that will receive the fixed capital outlay funding. They work in partnership and coordination with Pinellas County Government who are responsible for the identification and coordination of risk shelters during hurricanes and for providing services for our most vulnerable residents per Florida Statue 252.

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	The state funds will provide for electrical Planning and Engineering, Electrical Service Renovation and Installation of three generators at three special needs Pinellas County school shelter locations.	3,750,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>3,750,000</b>

14. Program Performance



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

Pinellas County currently has over 5,000 registrants in their Special Needs program and is required to provide supportive services to those with medical needs during evacuations. The 2016 National Hurricane Center update to the Sea Lake and Overland Surges from Hurricanes (SLOSH) Model increased the Pinellas County areas threatened by storm surge to include two of our three identified Special Needs Shelters. Oak Grove Middle and Dunedin Highland Middle schools cannot be used for all hurricane evacuation scenarios. The need is to have Pinellas shelters outside of all storm surge areas. With the threat of rapid intensifying storms, as seen in 2022, the placement of suitable resilient facilities outside of storm surge areas is critical.

This project will allow Pinellas County and our special needs sheltering partners the ability to plan, maintain and train and 3 stable shelter locations.

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

Each generator will maintain electrical service during power outages at the special needs shelters for electrical outlets for durable medical equipment, the HVAC system, emergency lighting and cooking facilities at each school.

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

Pinellas residents will have 3 special need shelters that are mitigated for power outages that will provide life sustaining electrical services for durable medical equipment , lighting, HVAC and cooking facilities at each shelter location.

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

Pinellas' most vulnerable population is the target population. Pinellas County currently has over 5,000 registrants in our Special Needs program and is required to provide supportive services to those with medical needs during evacuations.

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

Pinellas County will have the ability to provide risk sheltering for over 2,400 at risk residents on life sustaining medical equipment during hurricanes and tropical events with wide spread and prolonged power outages. The proposed capital outlay performance results will tested through training and activation of these shelters during mandatory evacuation events.

**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?**

Pinellas would reimburse the State for the obligated funds.

**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**