



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2991

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Acquisition of the historic Lake Hall School House (a Reconstruction-era African American schoolhouse built circa 1870) and two surrounding parcels needed for access to the site and supporting infrastructure, as well as initial site improvements. The school house is significant as one of the few Reconstruction-era African-American schools in the country that remains on its original site. The potential for archaeological significance is particularly important because relatively few records related to the life of African Americans in rural areas exist. The project will facilitate the future restoration of the school house and development of interpretive programming and curricula for student groups and visitors to the site.

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	900,000
Total State Funds Requested	900,000

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)	900,000	98%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	20,000	2%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	920,000	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.

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



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No

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

7/1/2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2025

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.

Funding is requested by the Friends of the Lake Hall School, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Funds will be used by the Friends of the Lake Hall School to acquire properties and make initial site improvements.

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	Property acquisition and initial site improvements.	900,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		900,000

14. Program Performance

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

Acquisition and preservation of the Lake Hall School House.

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



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

The project will facilitate the preservation of this historically significant property, and will facilitate the future renovation of the school house as well as interpretive programming and educational curricula for all Florida residents, students, and visitors.

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

All Florida residents, students, and visitors.

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

Acquisition and preservation of the historic Lake Hall School House and two surrounding parcels needed for access to the site and supporting infrastructure, as well as initial site improvements. Outcome will be measured by the successful acquisition of the subject properties.

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?

Deobligation of 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)
☐ 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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