



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1032

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Sixteen of the 32 acres of the Jewish Federation Sarasota Manatee Campus is focused on education, outreach and community engagement. Part of these funds will be used to build The Lodge, a building to house a learning environment for our Holocaust Education Center utilizing innovating technology, a nationally recognized curriculum, and immersive educational tools so participants will have greater understanding, empathy, and awareness of the Holocaust. The Lodge will also be a community center for learning, training, events, gatherings and will house our youth summer camp. The training provided at The Lodge will be for individuals and groups with the goal of raising awareness and reducing antisemitic acts of hate. Additionally, funds will be used to create a multicultural athletic center including athletic fields, sports courts, and a youth campus open to all citizens.

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

State Agency contacted? No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	225,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	845,350
Total State Funds Requested	1,070,350

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,070,350	19%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	4,500,000	81%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	5,570,350	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** Yes

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2024-25	0	1,000,000	150/111	No

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** No

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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Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

10. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

06/20/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

03/01/2026

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

JFED operating, grants, private donors

11. 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.

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12. 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	Collaborate with internationally recognized experts to create curriculum, immersive educational displays, planning and coordination. Development and site planning for multicultural athletic facilities.	225,000
Operational Costs		
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, site work - full budget available	845,350
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,070,350

13. Program Performance

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

End hate, prevent antisemitic acts and create a multicultural athletic campus for all ages. Inform, educate and engage all walks of life of all ages through immersive, interactive displays.

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



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The Lodge is a learning pavilion for the community, schools, colleges, faith organizations, holocaust education, etc. The campus will offer training, youth camps, athletic fields, sports courts, and several venues for education and outreach.

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

Open to all, the campus will be a much needed regional venue(s) for learning, gathering, sports, youth camps (summer and holiday), meetings and events.

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

All ages of all socioeconomic, geographic and all walks of faith. We expect to serve over 10,000 annually.

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

The benefits are many. They include:
 - ending hate and antisemitic by providing training to teachers, citizens, groups, others
 - offering much needed youth camps
 - provide a venue(s) for sports training and activities
 - provide a venue for community events
 Measurement will include surveys and reduction in crime.

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 in the contract?

Unused funds will be returned to the state.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? No

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?



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a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

18. 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 **Ext.**

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address



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d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.