



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1049

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

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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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,000,000

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)	2,000,000	62%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	250,000	8%
Other	950,000	30%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	3,200,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

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.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects



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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)? No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction? 10/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 06/30/2026

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

Individual ticket sales and local businesses.

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.

The Historic Cocoa Village Playhouse, Inc. will receive the capital outlay. It is both the entity and facility owner.

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		0
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	Our request includes the design and implementation of structural steel for a two story space that will include two separate dance rehearsal studio spaces and four multi-purpose recital spaces. It will also provide fire alarm and sprinkler systems, HVAC expenses, electrical wiring, an elevator purchase and installation, insulating of the building, women's and men's restrooms, and roof replacement.	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

The funds will be used to create a children's education center to assist in the well-rounded education and enrichment of Brevard County students. It will allow for the Playhouse to expand its efforts to provide daytime programming for virtually all of Brevard County Students at little to no cost to schools, parents, or students through workshops, field trip opportunities, American History and World War II immersive theatre, that schools do not have the infrastructure or staff to support.



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

Children's educational workshops, dance classes, vocal instruction, instrumental lessons, STEM and College Preparatory tutoring, senior citizen dance classes, Theatre for Young Audiences, daytime programming for students in Brevard County Schools and home schools

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

Children's educational workshops, dance classes, vocal instruction, instrumental lessons, STEM and College Preparatory tutoring, senior citizen dance classes, Theatre for Young Audiences, daytime programming for students in Brevard County Schools and home schools

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

At-risk youth, economically disadvantaged persons, senior citizens, high school students, grade school and pre-school students.

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

Number of Brevard County School Aged Youth able to participate in the performing arts. Anticipated minimum per year to be 5,200. Measured registration of attendance by attendee name, class, teacher, school, and district, teacher feedback and development with Brevard County policies and Florida Standards.

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?

Return of funding adjusted for inflation.

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:



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

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

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.