



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1099

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

This request supports two initiatives to address housing challenges: constructing four affordable homes for essential workers and veterans in critical fields and performing critical repairs to ensure safe, stable housing for seniors. These programs strengthen community infrastructure, enhance stability, and meet the needs of vulnerable populations.

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

**State Agency contacted?**

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

| Type of Funding                    | Amount         |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Operating                          | 0              |
| Fixed Capital Outlay               | 700,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested</b> | <b>700,000</b> |

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)       | 700,000          | 64%         |
| <b>Matching Funds</b>                                |                  |             |
| Federal  | 0                | 0%          |
| State (excluding the amount of this request)         | 0                | 0%          |
| Local  | 0                | 0%          |
| Other  | 390,000          | 36%         |
| <b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b> | <b>1,090,000</b> | <b>100%</b> |

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

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

| Fiscal Year<br>(yyyy-yy) | Amount    |              | Specific<br>Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                          | Recurring | Nonrecurring |                             |        |
| 2024-25                  | 0         | 700,000      | 2347                        | No     |

9. **Is future-year 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.

**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)?** Yes

**c. What is the estimated start date of construction?** 07/01/2025

**d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?** 08/01/2026

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

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County will utilize private donations, grants, and homeowner mortgage payments to support ongoing operations and maintenance of the project.

**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.**

Owners: Individual Homeowners  
 Relationship: Homeowners will directly benefit from the fixed capital outlay funding as they will own the homes that are constructed or repaired.  
 Entity Holding Mortgage or Repair Loan: Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County  
 Relationship: Habitat for Humanity oversees the mortgage or repair loan, ensuring affordability and maintaining a strong partnership with the homeowners.

**12. 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</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                      | Funds will be allocated to raw materials, labor, site preparation, permits, and essential utilities for construction. | 700,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b> |   | <b>700,000</b> |

**13. Program Performance**

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

The goal of the requested funds is to enhance housing stability and safety for essential workers, seniors, and veterans. The funding will support the construction of new homes, rehabilitation of existing homes, and critical home repair projects, ensuring safe, affordable, and resilient housing for these priority populations.



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

To fulfill the purpose of the \$700,000 appropriation, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County will carry out targeted home construction and repair projects, focusing on essential workers, seniors, and veterans. Additionally, we will provide homeownership and financial literacy training to help homeowners successfully manage and maintain their homes.

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

The appropriation will directly fund the construction, rehabilitation, and critical repair of homes, prioritizing essential workers, seniors, and veterans in Palm Beach County. Eligible individuals will gain access to safe, affordable housing, fostering long-term stability and self-sufficiency. Additionally, homeowners will receive guidance on home maintenance and financial responsibility. Through these efforts, we aim to strengthen the community by ensuring those who serve and sustain it have secure and resilient housing.

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

The project's target population includes essential workers, seniors, and veterans within Greater Palm Beach County. Additionally, we are committed to assisting families earning below 80% of the area median income, as defined by HUD. Through this initiative, we expect to support approximately 19-20 households, benefiting around 45 individuals, helping to address critical housing needs across income levels in our community.

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

The expected outcome of this project is to increase access to safe, affordable housing and preserve existing homes for essential workers, seniors, veterans, and families earning below 80% of the area median income in Palm Beach County. This will contribute to a stronger, more stable community by ensuring housing security for those who sustain and serve it. To measure the project's impact, we will track the number of homes constructed, rehabilitated, and repaired, as well as the demographics of the households served. Additionally, periodic homeowner surveys will assess satisfaction, long-term stability, and overall community integration, providing a comprehensive evaluation of the project's success.

**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 funds

**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



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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)?

- 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



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f. Phone Number  Ext.

#### 19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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