



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1106

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Levy County is in need of additional funding for building renovations and repairs needed for buildings spread across multiple campuses, two of which are the special needs and general population shelters, and to house National Guard Troops when needed in the aftermath of a disaster. The goal of this funding request is to improve the structural integrity across multiple campuses to mitigate further damage due to age and increased storm activity the county has witnessed over the last two years.

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	975,000
Total State Funds Requested	975,000

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)	975,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	975,000	100%

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

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?**

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?

06/02/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

07/30/2025

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

Local Capital Outlay Funds

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.

School Board of Levy County

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	Minor structural repair and roof repairs and replacements.	975,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		975,000

13. Program Performance

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

The goal of these funds is to continue to provide emergency shelters for the general populations and fragile special needs citizens of this county, as well as provide a safe and stable learning environment for our students.

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

We will be able to continue to provide emergency shelters for the general populations and fragile special needs citizens of this county.



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

Those campuses with the most critical needs serve the educational needs of 87% of the students in Levy County. Two of those campuses serve as shelters for the citizens of Levy County. These shelters have also been used to house National Guard troops that have worked in Levy as well as neighboring counties during hurricane cleanup.

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

Ultimately, the target population is the 42,000 residents of Levy County, which includes students and those most in need during mandatory evacuation conditions.

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

The expected benefit is to provide both our students and citizens with a safe and secure area to learn and shelter from any storm that impacts Levy County. This outcome will be measured by our ability to continue to open and operate shelters as needed for our community.

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?

The funds will be reverted back to the state if the funds are not used for the approved and express purpose authorized by the Legislature.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

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):

Hurricanes: Idalia, Debby, Helene & Milton

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)?

- Yes, Applied



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- 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):

FDEM Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program (CKS,YTS); Applied July 2024; Denied September 2024

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) School District

- 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**
- d. Phone Number**



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