

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1160

- 1. Project Title Islamorada Fire Rescue Marine Emergency Response Vessel
- 2. Senate Sponsor Ana Maria Rodriguez
- 3. Date of Request 2/7/2025

4. Project/Program Description

Islamorada requests funds to purchase of the watercraft will enhance safety and save lives on Keys waters. The intent is to mitigate tragedies on the water. The vessel will augment the areas non-medically trained available resources with medically trained firefighters operating 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The marine emergency response unit will operate from strategic areas to provide the greatest life and property saving impact and provide emergency services, firefighting operations and search and rescue operations that previously were not within our response area.

The Marine Emergency Response Team (MERT) from Lee County, Collier County and Charlotte County has evaluated our area, given us a proven plan of approach with the process needed to establish a highly functional program. Plan is two fold, awareness to prevent the tragedies and response capabilities when incidents occur.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Financial Services

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	360,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	360,000

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)	360,000	67%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	180,326	33%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	540,326	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Amount		Specific	Vetoed
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	
2024-25	0	300,000	2489A	Yes

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No

Yes

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

10. Status of Const	truction	
a. What is the cu	urrent phase of t	he project?
O Planning	🔵 Design	O Construction O N/A
b. Is the project	"shovel ready"	i.e permitted)?
c. What is the es	stimated start da	te of construction?
d. What is the e	stimated comple	tion date of construction?
e. What funding	stream will be u	sed for 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.

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	One Marine Fire Rescue Emergency Response Vessel associated equipment and required training	360,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from guestion #6)	360.000

13. Program Performance

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

The purpose of the funds is to enhance safety and save lives on Florida Keys' waters.

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

The intent is to mitigate tragedies on the water.

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



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

General Public >800

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

The intent is to mitigate tragedies on the water. Lives saved and property damage minimized.

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?

Forfeiture of funding.

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

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

- D 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 infastructure)

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)?

□ Yes, Applied

□ Yes, Received

🗆 No

□ No, but intends to apply



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a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. L	ocal Government Emergency Brid	dge Loan, Department of
Commerce):		

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□Non Profit 501(c	1(c)(3)		
□Non Profit 501(c	:)(4)		
☑Local Entity			
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