



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1202

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

Provide transportation to and from Jewish Day School to help ensure the safety & security of the students and school facility. Buses will help streamline the process of drop-off & pickup, and will limit the number of private vehicles entering the school property allowing for greater control of the area. In light of the heightened security threat facing the Jewish community, this will add another layer of protection. Additionally, it will allow for more people to seek employment.

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 | 3,500,000 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 3,500,000 |

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) | 3,500,000 | 95% |
| Matching Funds | | |
| Federal | 0 | 0% |
| State (excluding the amount of this request) | 0 | 0% |
| Local | 0 | 0% |
| Other | 200,000 | 5% |
| Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 | 3,700,000 | 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 | | |
| 2024-25 | 0 | 3,500,000 | 105 | 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.**
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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)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

e. What funding stream will be used 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 | Project Coordinator | 100,000 |
| Other Salary and Benefits | Additional Support | 50,000 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | | 0 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | 0 |
| Operational Costs | | |
| Salary and Benefits | | 0 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | The funding will help cover the cost of transportation for students to attend a Jewish institution in a safe and secure way. The school will be able to contract with a transportation service and manage the specifics of each student and we will provide a per student allocation to cover the costs based on need and location. | 3,350,000 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | 0 |
| Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation: | | |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering | | 0 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 3,500,000 |

13. Program Performance

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

Provide transportation to and from Jewish Day School to help ensure the safety and security of the students and the school faculty. The buses will help streamline the process of drop-off & pickup and will limit the number of private vehicles entering the school property allowing for greater control of the area. In light of heightened security threat facing the Jewish Community, this will add another layer of protection. In addition, it will allow for more people to seek employment.

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



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Safe transportation to and from our schools.

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

The buses will help streamline the process of drop-off and pick-up while limiting the number of private vehicles entering the school property allowing for greater control of the area. In light of the heightened security threat facing the Jewish community, this will add another layer of protection by providing safe transportation to and from our schools for our students.

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

Grade school students, but it is possible some high school students will take the buses as well. More than 800 students will be served.

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

Providing safe transportation, we ensure a safe and secure process for students to arrive and depart from school. This process will enable students and families to have a more effective and focused educational experience in school. Providing transportation will also alleviate traffic and secure the soft target of carpool lanes. We will have periodic assessments and require school administrators to provide reports. We will also have random site visits.

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 revert back to the state.

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):

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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- 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

d. Phone Number



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