



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1250

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Tamarac's Underground Fiber Network Expansion - Phase 3B will complete the city's transition to a resilient underground fiber optic network, connecting critical facilities such as the Network Operations Center, parks, and public spaces while replacing outdated and vulnerable above-ground lines. This \$3.4 million project enhances public safety, ensures uninterrupted services during hurricanes, expands public Wi-Fi in parks, and strengthens infrastructure for the entire community. Tamarac seeks \$750,000 in state funding to bring this multi-phase project to completion, leveraging over \$3.2 million already invested by the city in earlier phases.

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	750,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>750,000</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)	750,000	50%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	750,000	50%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>1,500,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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?

10/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2026

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

Minimal ongoing operations and maintenance are anticipated for this project. Any necessary support will be funded through the City of Tamarac's operational budget, allocated annually.

### 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 City of Tamarac is the sole owner of all facilities receiving fixed capital outlay funding through this project. These facilities are municipal properties, and the city is the governing entity responsible for their operation, maintenance, and improvements, and will directly oversee the project.

### 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	The requested funds will be spent on fiber network cabling installation (construction), including 42,929 feet of underground fiber at \$71 per linear foot, along with associated planning, engineering, and contingency costs to ensure project completion.	750,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>750,000</b>

### 13. Program Performance

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



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The specific purpose of the requested funds is to complete Tamarac's underground fiber network project, strengthening public safety, improving disaster resilience, expanding public Wi-Fi access, and ensuring secure, uninterrupted delivery of essential city services.

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

The activities and services to be provided through these funds will include underground fiber installation, network integration, and infrastructure upgrades.

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

This appropriation project will provide direct services to citizens, including expanded public Wi-Fi in parks, enhanced public safety through reliable emergency response and surveillance, and uninterrupted access to essential city services during emergencies.

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

The target population served by this project includes all residents, businesses, and visitors of the City of Tamarac, totaling approximately 74,000 individuals.

**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 of this project is enhanced public safety, improved disaster resilience, expanded public Wi-Fi access, and uninterrupted city operations through a secure underground fiber network. This outcome will be measured using metrics, such as, reduced network downtime, improved emergency response times, increased Wi-Fi usage and satisfaction surveys, and network performance and uptime reports.

**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?**

Penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures in contracts with the City of Tamarac are outlined in the contract and typically align with the city's Procurement Policies, City Charter, and/or Code. Suggested penalties may include withholding payments, liquidated damages for delays, termination for cause, or invoking performance bonds to ensure project completion. Additionally, the city may seek legal remedies, such as, damages or specific performance to address contractor non-compliance.

**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



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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

f. Phone Number  Ext.



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#### 19. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number

*The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.*