



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1285

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This project comes after the completion of a two-year study. The bluff is currently experiencing erosion and degradation, with extreme changes after each hurricane or tropical storm. The bluff used to be much wider, with staff having to use a field mower to maintain the grass. At this time, numerous trees have fallen into the inter-coastal that the bluff borders.

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	8,425,000
Total State Funds Requested	8,425,000

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)	8,425,000	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	8,425,000	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.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

10. Status of Construction



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a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

12/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/01/2027

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

Penny for Pinellas and Ad Valorem revenue streams currently maintained by the Town.

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.

Town of Belleair

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	For materials, labor, construction management, and additional project oversight by appropriately credentialed experts.	8,425,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		8,425,000

13. Program Performance

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

The bluff is quickly eroding away into the inter-coastal. This project will specifically restore and preserve the bluff, preventing any damage to the surrounding roadway and homes.

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

Restoration of eroded land, preventative construction to preserve the remaining bluff.

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

The preservation of this area provides a beautiful park for residents and the citizens of the county. This area is good for recreation, activities like meditation for mental well being, and tourism, considering the history of the area.



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

Residents of Belleair and the surrounding communities. Around 20,000 individuals.

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

The bluff is expected to be restored, which will prevent the degradation or fallout of the adjacent roadway. Engineering samples of soil, water quality, and pavement conditioning indexes will be taken for monitoring.

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 applicant, Town of Belleair, will be barred from applying for further state funding for this project. Unspent allocations will be returned under a negotiated contract.

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):

Hurricane 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
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply



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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

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