

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

LFIR # 1347

1. Project Title Habitat for Humanity of Marion County Lot Purchases

2. Senate Sponsor Stan McClain

3. Date of Request 2/12/2025

4. Project/Program Description

Funds would be used to purchase residential lots in Marion County. Habitat would construct 30 Homes on those lots to be sold to families that are under 120 percent of the area median income. The development would be completed in a period of 2.5 years.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Commerce

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,300,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,300,000

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)	1,300,000	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	1,300,000	100%

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

Fiscal Year	Amo	ount	Specific	Vetoed	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #		

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

No

No

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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? 12/31/2025						
d. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 04/05/2028						
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e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

The project is to purchase 30 building lots. Once they have been purchased, Habitat will construct the homes and sell them to families that range from 30-120 percent of the average area median income.

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.

Habitat for Humanity of Marion County, Inc. The owners of the facility and the entity are the same.

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	Purchase of 30 scattered lots in Marion County, Florida of which Habitat for Humanity will develop the land and homes to sell to families. Between 30 and 120 percent of the area median income.	1,300,000		
Total State Funds Requested (m	Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) 1,300,000			

13. Program Performance

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

The Habitat goal is to build and sell affordable homes that will elevate the family's safety, increase grade levels in reading and math, higher education for children and parents and afford the housing expenses.

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

Construction of safe and affordable homes with the family participating in sweat equity building and maintaining the home. Coaching the family towards budgeting to live within their means.



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

Ability to own and maintain an affordable home that will remain affordable through out community land trust.

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

Families whose annual income is between 30 and 120 percent of the area median income. We will house 18 families in our fiscal year.

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

The ability to own an affordable home. Our methodology is to increase our builds every year.

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?

Habitat builds homes through a combination of staff, family partners and volunteers. In addition, our project manager hires subcontractors to increase our builds.

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

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 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



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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

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18.	8. Recipient Contact Information					
	a. Organization	Habitat fo	r Humanity of M	Arion County	, Inc.	
	b. Municipality and	d County	Marion			
	c. Organization Ty	ре				
	□For Profit Entity					
	☑Non Profit 501(c	:)(3)				
	□Non Profit 501(c	:)(4)				
	□Local Entity					
	□University or Co	llege				
	□Other (please sp	er (please specify)				
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19.	19. Lobbyist Contact Information					
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	d. Phone Number					

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