



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1421

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

4. Project/Program Description

The off grade railroad crossing will provide safe passage over an active rail line. This will alleviate current traffic, unsafe traffic, and emergency response times in the area and will lead to federal funding for the construction of an off grade rail crossing. Funds will allow for alignment of the road and set the foundation for seeking federal funding sources. The Acree Road Extension has been added to the City of Jacksonville's Mobility Plan to allow for another local funding source. This is a public-private partnership between the city and a local developer.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,000,000

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)	2,000,000	67%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,000,000	33%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	3,000,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** Yes

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2024-25	0	1,500,000	3262	No

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** No

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



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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)? No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction? 11/1/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 11/01/2028

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

City of Jacksonville and federal funding opportunities

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.

City of Jacksonville and Florida Department of Transportation, the two agencies are actively working together to construct and maintain the transportation corridors throughout Duval County.

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	Design and engineering for off grade railroad crossing will provide safe passage over an active rail line.	2,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

The off grade railroad crossing will provide safe passage over an active rail line. This will alleviate current traffic, unsafe traffic, and emergency response times in the area and will lead to federal funding for the construction of an off grade rail crossing. Funds will allow for alignment of the road and set the foundation for seeking federal funding sources. The Acree Road Extension has been added to the City of Jacksonville's Mobility Plan to allow for another local funding source. This is a public-private partnership between the city and a local developer.

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



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The design and permitting of the roadway alignment and off grade crossing in coordination with the City of Jacksonville and FDOT.

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

The current citizens have been advocating for an overpass from the city since 2008 and have identified traffic safety concerns and delays in response from Emergency Services as significant negative impacts to their quality of life.

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

Growing rural residential community with the ability to have a 1,400 mixed use project to grow the economy of Northwest Jacksonville.

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

Improving the safety of the rail crossing and this will be measured through the results of traffic studies.

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?

If deliverables or performance measures are not met, forfeiture of State funds.

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)?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received



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- 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

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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