



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1543

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The St. Armands All-Hazards Mitigation Strategy addresses stormwater and coastal infrastructure vulnerabilities. The project will include: Hydrological and Environmental Impact Studies: Identify weak points in stormwater systems and predict future flooding scenarios. Infrastructure Resilience Upgrades: Improve drainage systems, seawalls, and roadways to withstand Category 5 hurricane impacts. Evacuation Route Protection: Ensure that evacuation corridors remain operational. Key Components of the project include: Advanced modeling tools to predict storm surge and rainfall impacts. Community workshops to incorporate local feedback and ensure public engagement. Coordination with the Town of Longboat Key and the Florida Department of Transportation to align evacuation and resilience strategies.

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	3,500,000
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	88%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	500,000	12%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	4,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

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? No

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

12/31/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2027

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

City budgeted funds

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 Sarasota

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	Funds will be spent on design and construction.	3,500,000
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?

The purpose of this project is to address critical stormwater and coastal infrastructure vulnerabilities in the St. Armands Key area. It will address weak points in the stormwater systems in the area, help to improve drainage systems, seawalls and roadway to ensure safety and sustainability during storms and emergencies.

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



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Maximized Mitigation Returns: Every dollar spent on mitigation yields a six-dollar return through reduced recovery and repair costs.
 Preservation of Public and Private Assets: Prevents losses to infrastructure, private properties, and businesses, maintaining economic stability.
 Economic Continuity: Sustains tax revenue and tourism-driven activities during and after severe weather events.
 Long-Term Savings: Strengthened infrastructure reduces the need for repeated repairs, saving taxpayer dollars over decades.

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

Though no direct services will be provided, the citizens will benefit from stormwater and drainage enhancements and roadway improvements.

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

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

Cost Savings on Future Disasters: Investments in mitigation now reduce future expenditures from flooding and storm damage by strengthening resilience.
 Safeguarding Tourism Revenue: Protects over \$100 million in annual economic activity generated by the St. Armands Key tourism district, ensuring business continuity during disasters.
 Enhanced Public Safety: By maintaining evacuation routes, the project ensures the safety of residents and visitors during hurricanes and other emergencies.
 Strategic Statewide Alignment: Integrates with Florida's infrastructure resilience goals and complements the Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience Plan.

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 would include: a) a return of funding and, b) a report explaining why the deliverables or performance measures were not met.

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#:



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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):

Please complete questions 17 through 21 for Water Projects only.

17. Have you been awarded or applied for alternative state funding for this project?

- Water Quality Improvement Grant Program
- Resilient Florida Grant Program
- Wastewater Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify, ex. Alternative Water Supply Grants)
- N/A

18. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

19. What is the status of construction?

Not Ready

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?



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0%

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

22. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

23. 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.

24. 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.