



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1707

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The specific purpose of these funds being requested is for the planning, design and construction of a vehicular overpass at Wigmore Street in Jacksonville, Florida. The project allows for the installation of a crossing over the recent expansion of at-grade railroad crossings on Wigmore Street. Without the construction of the overpass, the four at-grade railroad crossings will create vehicular disruptions and pedestrian safety issues.

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	5,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>5,000,000</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)	5,000,000	7%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	3,000,000	4%
Local	0	0%
Other	67,000,000	89%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>75,000,000</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		
2024-25	0	3,000,000	2069A	No

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**



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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)?** Yes

**c. What is the estimated start date of construction?** 12/31/2026

**d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?** 06/30/2028

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

The project maintenance and operations will be the responsibility of Keystone Properties. The agreement to specify those conditions will be codified through an agreement between the City of Jacksonville and Keystone Properties.

**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.**

Keystone Properties are the owners of the facility and will be responsible for maintenance of this project. Keystone Properties and the City of Jacksonville are currently working together as this project moves through the planning, design and construction of this monumental 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 used to facilitate the planning, design and construction of the Wigmore Street Overpass.	5,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>5,000,000</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

Keystone Properties has invested hundreds of millions of dollars in private investment to develop and maintain the properties and surrounding areas. The specific purpose of these funds being requested is for the planning, design and constructions of a vehicular overpass at Wigmore Street in Jacksonville, Florida. The project allows for the installation of a crossing over the recent expansion of at-grade railroad crossings on Wigmore Street. The continued improvements will provide increased safety elements for the surrounding community. Without the construction of the overpass, the four at-grade railroad crossings will create vehicular disruptions and pedestrian safety issues.



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

The proposed vehicle overpass will provide for improved vehicular and pedestrian traffic patterns thus creating safer travel movements for those utilizing the overpass. The overpass will ultimately reduce pedestrian/vehicle traffic encounters and thus reduce accidents. The construction of this overpass will also strengthen and improve the stormwater management system within the affected area. The lighting on the overpass will illuminate the surrounding areas and enhance public safety.

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

The direct services to the citizenry are specific and include the relieving of vehicular and pedestrian traffic congestion on Wigmore Street and the surrounding areas. With the expansion at the Port of Keystone and current railroad conversion projects, the overpass will become important as a service to the community and users. This project will improve the quality of life through improved mental and physical health, increased safety mechanisms and improvements in surrounding stormwater systems among a myriad of other services.

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

The target population includes the entire city but provides specific benefits to those residents that currently reside in the surrounding under-served community. Thousands of individuals will be served by this project on a daily basis. Both residential and commercial traffic continues to grow in tandem with the growth of the area.

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

The benefit of this project will have a measurable impact on both vehicular and pedestrian traffic congestion as well as increased safety for all users. Pre and post construction data will be collected on Wigmore Street to reflect these improved conditions. Methods for measuring level of benefit will include standard traffic counts and times at and around the overpass, as well as railroad counts and times for the four at-grade rail lines which run underneath the overpass.

**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 agency would forfeit the allocated funds.

**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 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):**

**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**



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a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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