



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1777

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

To sustain its mission and continue serving as a premier gathering place for residents and visitors alike, the Adrienne Arsht Center must replace its aging Building Management System, which has already experienced failures. If left unaddressed, complete system failure is imminent, threatening the comfort, safety, and sustainability of this vital institution.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?  Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>500,000</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)	500,000	48%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	552,000	52%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>1,052,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.

## 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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

05/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

08/01/2025

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

The Arsht Center's earned 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.

The Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts is owned by Miami-Dade County. The relationship between Miami-Dade County and the governing board of the Arsht Center, the Adrienne Arsht Center Trust, Inc. is defined in an Operating Management Agreement.

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 project will consist of: EBO controllers, Software programming and graphics, Engineering, submittals, and as-built drawings, BAS/DD Wiring, 5 and System commissioning services.	500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>500,000</b>

13. Program Performance

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

The requested funds will support the upgrade of the Arsht Center's 20-year-old Building Management System (BMS), which has experienced failures. Without replacement, a complete failure is imminent. A modern BMS will enhance energy efficiency, reduce operational costs, and improve audience and artist comfort, ensuring a sustainable, cost-effective, and reliable environment that supports world-class performances, high profile events, and free community engagement and arts education initiatives.

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



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The Arsht Center will upgrade its outdated BMS with a new system that includes automated climate controls, energy monitoring, and remote access for real-time adjustments. Staff will be trained to optimize system efficiency, and the upgrades will annually reduce energy waste, lower costs, and provide a comfortable, well-regulated environment for audiences, performers, and staff at 300+ events.

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

Funding will prevent complete system failure and ensure the facility has well-ventilated performance spaces while improving air quality for audiences. Artists will benefit from precise climate control, protecting instruments and stage equipment. Cost savings from energy efficiency will allow the Center to reinvest in accessible programming, expanding annual cultural offerings for 400,000 people.

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

We proudly welcome new audiences from all over Miami-Dade County and the State of Florida. For FY2024 we welcomed nearly 300,000 people, hosted over 400 events on campus and in the community, invested in educating over 80,000 children and showcased 4,800 artists both local and world class.

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

The Building Maintenance System controls the Center's critical systems including HVAC equipment, boilers, chillers, and video surveillance system. The new system will allow Arsht Center engineering staff to predict asset performance, perform remote monitoring and enhance security. The new system will also vastly improve the building's operating efficiency and reduce the Center's carbon footprint. Surveys will be distributed to patrons, before and after the upgrade, assessing their comfort level regarding temperature, air quality and overall experience. Additionally, air quality improvements will be tracked using HVAC system data, including CO2 levels and humidity regulation.

**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?**

Disbursed funds for unmet deliverables will be returned to the State.

**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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