



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1830

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

Funds will be used to construct the "missing link" of Cross Prairie Parkway, a critical transportation corridor in Osceola County connecting planned development in the East Lake Toho Mixed Use District to the City of Kissimmee. The 1.5-mile connection from Nolte Road to just west of C-31 Canal will provide traffic relief and improved public safety by establishing an alternate north-south route for motorists in the City of St. Cloud and southern Osceola County. The roadway will be a 4-lane divided typical section with multi-modal facilities, including dedicated bike lanes, a shared use path, a sidewalk, and a reserved corridor for future dedicated transit lanes. The roadway will connect to the existing section of Cross Prairie Parkway west of the C-31 Canal to the planned section of Cross Prairie Parkway at the intersection with Nolte Road. This will provide connectivity to the Nolte Road Interchange with SR-91, which is currently under construction by Florida's Turnpike Enterprise.

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	6,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>6,000,000</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)	6,000,000	14%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	35,291,956	86%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>41,291,956</b>	<b>100%</b>

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	4,000,000	2069A	Yes

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)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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

**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.**

**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	To be applied entirely to construction contract.	6,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>6,000,000</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

This project will complete the connection of this critical multi-modal corridor between development in the East Lake Toho Mixed Use District and the City of Kissimmee, as well as other Major Arterial roads within the County. This connection will provide traffic relief and improved public safety by establishing an alternate North-South route for the residents of the City of St. Cloud and southern Osceola County.

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



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Planned improvements for this connection of Cross Prairie Parkway include construction of approximately 7,900 linear feet of a 4-lane divided roadway, which includes a bridge over the C-31 canal, and multi-modal facilities along the entirety of the corridor. The multi-modal facilities include: dedicated bike lanes, a shared use path, a sidewalk, and a reserved corridor for future dedicated transit lanes.

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

The new road will provide alternative connectivity to residents of St. Cloud, the East Lake Toho Mixed Use District, and Southern Osceola. This alternative route will provide improved public safety and reduce daily travel delays encountered by these residents who are restricted by the limited accessibility currently provided to their communities by Old Canoe Creek and Canoe Creek Roads.

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

Residents of St. Cloud, the East Lake Toho Mixed Use District, and Southern Osceola County. Twenty-Five thousand (25,000) motorists are anticipated to utilize this roadway on an average daily basis by 2030, and an additional fifty thousand (50,000) are anticipated to indirectly benefit from this project on a daily basis.

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

The benefits of the project will be manifested in improved transportation conditions, improved economic activity and job opportunities, diversification of the County's tourism-dependent economy, enhanced individual economic self-sufficiency, improved physical and mental health with new trails included in the road-building plans; less traffic congestion and less stress; expanded transit facilities and improved transit connectivity to SunRail and Lynx.

**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?**

Denial and reimbursement of construction costs and/or return of 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:**



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**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**

**a. Name**

**b. Firm Name**



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c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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