



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1839

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

4. Project/Program Description

The funds will be used to revitalize the small business district at the intersection of State Road A1A and State Road 838, enhancing safety, functionality, and aesthetic appeal. The project aims to support existing businesses, attract new ones, and create a more inviting, vibrant environment for residents and visitors.

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	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000

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)	1,000,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,000,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	2,000,000	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



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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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

09/30/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

05/30/2026

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

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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 Fort Lauderdale to receive the funding. The construction will be managed by the City's Transportation and Mobility Department.

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	Construction at the intersection of State Road A1A and State Road 838, enhancing safety and functionality. Enhanced lighting, widened sidewalks, landscaping, traffic calming measures, new crosswalks, mural installations, and decorative pavement.	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

This will revitalize the small business district at the intersection of State Road A1A and State Road 838, enhancing safety, functionality, and aesthetic appeal and stimulate economic development.

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

The funds will support streetscape improvements, including enhanced lighting, widened sidewalks, landscaping, traffic calming measures, new crosswalks, mural installations, and decorative pavement. These upgrades aim to improve pedestrian safety, attract businesses, and transform the district into a thriving, appealing destination.



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

The project will directly benefit citizens by improving public safety through better lighting, safer crosswalks, and enhanced traffic management. It will also provide a more attractive environment for businesses by improving curb appeal and encouraging foot traffic through widened sidewalks and aesthetic improvements. This contributes to a better quality of life for residents and visitors and supports economic growth.

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

The City has an estimated population of 186,000, welcomes over 10 million visitors annually, and is a significant employment center within the larger metropolitan area, attracting workers from surrounding communities. The targeted area has a high amount of tourist activity, and the business growth and economic support resulting from the project will benefit both the local and state economy.

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

Increasing tourism and economic activity will be measured through tracking visitor foot traffic, sales tax, tourism tax revenue, property values, and business growth in the district. Tourism metrics and occupancy rates of nearby hotels will be monitored to evaluate the increase, comparing statistics before and after the project's completion. Public safety and transportation benefits will be measured by crime statistics, pedestrian and vehicle traffic counts, changes in foot traffic, vehicle flow, and overall safety before and after the improvements.

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?

Funds will be returned to the State.

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

c. E-mail Address



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d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.