



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1923

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Florida's Boys & Girls Clubs offer young people, especially those most in need, opportunities to engage in positive alternatives to street life and gang involvement. With locations throughout Florida, including nine military facilities, the Clubs provide mentoring and prevention programs featuring vetted curricula with measurable impacts. These programs emphasize positive peer interaction, resilience, problem-solving, decision-making, awareness, and resistance skills for school-age youth. Participants develop the confidence and knowledge to make informed and intelligent choices.

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	5,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<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	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>5,000,000</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	1,000,000	2,500,000	1225	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)?**

**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	Executive Director, project head, salary and benefits.	63,674
Other Salary and Benefits	Other salary and benefits for the organization's three staff members.	132,780
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted services for data clerks. Contracted services to conduct a comprehensive ROI study of the program.	62,546
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits	For thirty-five Boys & Girls Clubs organizations: Full and part-time program staff to be located in as many as 326 program sites, as well as any related program expenses.	4,700,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	The Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other funds will be used to support the implementation and strengthening of a high-quality program by providing direct services to the 326 Club sites throughout Florida through program compliance, management, training, technical assistance, monitoring and evaluation of the Boys & Girls Clubs; Equipment / supplies will be used solely for program purposes.	21,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted services with fiscal agency to provide services such as (but not limited) to payroll, funds disbursements, and HR support to the Florida Alliance; and Contracted services with professional organization to provide professional development and training to Alliance Staff and Club staff.	20,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<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?**



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The Positive Youth Development program goals are to promote positive peer interaction, enhance resilience, improve problem-solving and decision-making, raise awareness and resistance skills, and build confidence and knowledge. Ultimately, the goal is to provide young individuals with the tools and support they need to lead healthy, productive lives and resist negative influences such as gangs and substance abuse.

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

Boys & Girls Clubs will offer one-on-one, group, and peer mentoring along with the SMART (Skills Mastery and Resilience Training) Moves suite of prevention programming to students from kindergarten to twelfth grade twice weekly. These programs focus on resilience building, decision-making, and problem-solving. They include mentoring sessions to foster positive peer interaction and guidance, as well as interactive discussions on awareness and resistance skills, enabling participants to share experiences and learn from one another.

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

The appropriation project will offer direct services through afterschool programs for Florida youth from low-income families during out-of-school time, staffed by qualified personnel. These programs are uniquely positioned to help adolescents avoid negative risk behaviors such as substance use, unsafe sexual behaviors, fighting, and bullying. They provide a safe space for youth, connect them with trusted adults, focus their attention on positive challenges, and encourage them to make good choices through meaningful activities.

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

Florida at-risk youth in grades kindergarten through twelfth grade attending the Boys & Girls Clubs during out of school time; their families; and the surrounding communities. The program will provide at least 277,000 filled program slots.

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

The expected outcomes of the program include improved resilience, decision-making, and problem-solving skills for youth. Participants will develop stronger emotional coping abilities, make better choices, and foster positive peer interactions through mentoring. They will also gain awareness and resistance skills to handle negative influences and share experiences with others. Methodology for Measurement Success will be measured through data collection of pre/post-tests and attendance records Boys & Girls Clubs Data Tracking at individual Clubs.

**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?**

A complete Corrective Action Plan set by the Department of Juvenile Justice, and a reduction of 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



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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:**

**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**



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e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number  Ext.

#### 19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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