



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 1973

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The project involves enhancing the capabilities of the Criminal Investigations Division and Crime Suppression Unit through the acquisition of essential equipment and technology. This initiative focuses on four main components: properly equipped vehicles, laptops for detectives, updated interview room cameras, and evidence management software and evidence unit computers and software. It aims to improve public safety, ensure justice, and support law enforcement operations by providing detectives and officers with the necessary tools and technology to perform their duties effectively.

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	241,423
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	241,423

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)	241,423	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	241,423	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	482,846	100%

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		

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
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	The funds will be utilized for the following: 1) Computers and specialized software for the Evidence Unit; 2) Laptop computers with docking stations for Detectives; and 3) Specialized unmarked vehicles for the Crime Suppression Unit to conduct targeted interdiction operations and covert activities.	241,423
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		241,423

13. Program Performance

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

The funds will be used to provide a range of activities and services aimed at enhancing public safety, ensuring justice, and supporting law enforcement operations. These include: replacing outdated cameras to record investigative interviews, implementing enhanced evidence management software, purchasing laptops providing access to essential databases, and acquiring equipped vehicles for overt operations.

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



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Detectives in the Criminal Investigations Division and Crime Suppression Unit require properly equipped vehicles to conduct both overt and covert enforcement activities. Overt activities include specialized unmarked police vehicles to conduct targeted interdiction operations and to respond to calls for service in a highly visible and coordinated manner to deter criminal activity. Covert activities include detectives conducting surveillance of locations and individuals associated with gangs and to gather intelligence in furtherance of criminal investigations. Additionally, laptops are necessary so that detectives are able to quickly access vital information in the field, avoiding loss opportunities to solve a crime.

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

Direct services provided to citizens ensure justice is served efficiently, proper handling and storage of evidence are crucial for fair trials, enhance the efficiency of crime investigation and resolution, and providing a safer environment for citizens by enabling law enforcement to prevent and respond to incidents more effectively.

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

The target population served by this project is the approximate 49,962 population of Fort Pierce and its estimated 1.2 million visitors to St. Lucie County.

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

The expected benefit or outcome of this project is to provide the necessary tools to detectives to more efficiently conduct criminal investigations and to proactively address and mitigate violent crimes occurring in the City of Fort Pierce. The Police Department will utilize its Crime Analyst Unit to access law enforcement databases to analyze crime statistics related to violent crime incidents, investigations initiated and cleared, as well as the number of arrests, indictments and convictions associated with criminal investigations to measure and adjust strategies as necessary.

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?

Failure to meet deliverables will result in complete or partial termination of contract.

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

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