



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2030

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Lake City Fire Department is requesting funding to replace its aging frontline fire engine at the Lake City Public Safety Building. This engine, which serves the historic district and responds to the highest number of calls, is nearly 14 years old and has required extensive repairs in recent months. A new fire engine will enhance emergency response reliability, improve public safety, and ensure firefighters have the necessary equipment to protect the community efficiently. Funding this replacement is critical to maintaining effective fire protection services for Lake City residents.

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	900,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>900,000</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)	900,000	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>900,000</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**



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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		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	These funds will replace the aging frontline fire engine at the Lake City Public Safety Building. Serving the historic district, this 14-year-old engine has required extensive repairs and responds to the most calls for the Lake City Fire Department.	900,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<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>900,000</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

The funds will replace Lake City Fire Department's aging frontline fire engine, ensuring reliable emergency response and public safety. Serving the historic district, the 14-year-old engine requires frequent repairs. A new engine will improve response times, reduce maintenance costs, and enhance firefighter efficiency, ensuring continued protection for the community.

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



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The funds will support fire suppression, emergency medical response, and rescue operations by replacing the aging frontline fire engine. The new engine will enhance response times, reliability, and firefighter safety while ensuring effective protection for the historic district and the broader community. It will also reduce maintenance downtime, allowing the Lake City Fire Department to maintain consistent emergency services, improve operational efficiency, and better serve residents in critical situations.

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

The appropriation will provide enhanced fire protection, emergency medical response, and rescue services to Lake City residents. Replacing the aging frontline fire engine will improve response times, reliability, and firefighter effectiveness, ensuring rapid and efficient emergency services. Citizens will benefit from increased public safety, reduced risks from fire-related incidents, and improved emergency preparedness, particularly in the historic district and high-call areas served by the Lake City Fire Department.

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

The project will serve the residents, businesses, and visitors of Lake City, particularly those in the historic district and surrounding areas. The Lake City Fire Department responds to thousands of emergency calls annually, directly impacting approximately 12,000 residents within city limits and an additional 70,000 individuals in the surrounding Columbia County area. This investment ensures faster, more reliable emergency response services for the entire community.

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

The project will improve emergency response times, enhance firefighter safety, and ensure reliable fire protection for Lake City. A new fire engine will reduce maintenance costs and downtime, increasing operational efficiency. Outcomes will be measured through response time data, service call volume, equipment maintenance records, and citizen satisfaction surveys. These metrics will assess the engine's impact on emergency services and overall public safety in the community.

**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?**

None

**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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