

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2161

1. Project Title Volusia County Emergency Response Improvements

2. Senate Sponsor Tom Wright

3. Date of Request 3/3/2025

4. Project/Program Description

In order to meet the growing population, Volusia County seeks funding for an expanded Emergency Operations Center. Funding the EOC expansion will greatly enhance coordination between partner agencies in all phases of activation. This additional space is pivotal due to the Memorandum of Understanding entered into by and between the Florida Division of Emergency management and Volusia County.

5. State Agency to receive reques	ted funds
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State Agency contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	400,000
Total State Funds Requested	400,000

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)	400,000	80%			
Matching Funds	Matching Funds				
Federal	0	0%			
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%			
Local	100,000	20%			
Other	0	0%			
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	500,000	100%			

8. Has this project previously received state funding? If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #		
2024-25	0	2,125,000	3655	No	

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No	

Yes

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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0. Status of Constr a. What is the cu		ne project? ⊙ Construction ◯ N/A			
b. Is the project '	'shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?	Yes		
c. What is the estimated start date of construction?			07/01/2025		
d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?			12312026		
e. What funding		sed 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.

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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	FEMA requirements changed for design and construction of storm shelters. The enclosure protecting the original generator does not meet new federal requirements. As a result, a new generator and associated transfer switch with appropririate protective enclosures are needed to complete the project.	400,000		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)				

13. Program Performance

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

Due to recent FEMA requirements, the project was enhanced from the original design and added construction of storm shelters. Funds sought in the original appropriation were thus deficient as a new generator and transfer switch was deemed to be required.

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

Funds will be used for construction of the necessary improvements to meet FEMA requirements.



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

All end users of the EOC will benefit with the additional of space. These end users can include the state of Florida as the Volusia EOC serves as the backup EOC for the state.

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

After a disaster proclamation is made, a fully operational EOC will have over 200 staff located within the facility.

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

All users of the facility indicate a facility expansion will allow for a more efficient operation in a natural disaster scenario including School Board, power companies, internet providers, etc.

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 comply with contract deliverables can lead to non-payment and/or contract termination.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? Yes

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- □ Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- **C** Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

Hurricanes Ian, Nicole, Milton

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:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

□ Yes, Applied

□ Yes, Received

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□ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

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17. Requester Contact Information

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18.	Recipient Contact	Information				
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	b. Municipality and	d County Volusia				
	c. Organization Ty	pe				
	□For Profit Entity					
	□Non Profit 501(c	:)(3)				
	□Non Profit 501(c	:)(4)				
	☑Local Entity					
	University or Co					
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	□Other (please specify)					
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