



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2210

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The request funds will be used to expand access to critical developmental resources for students in rural communities across Florida's 2nd District. The funding will enable the launch of 20 camps across 13 counties, serving up to 1,500 students, providing structured mentorship, sports-based leadership training, and mental health support.

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	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

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)	500,000	63%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	295,000	37%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	795,000	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

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)?

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	Equipment (t-shirts, water bottles, jerseys, sporting equipment, etc.)	37,500
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Subject matter expert consultants; content development; program design; community outreach.	462,500
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

13. Program Performance

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

The funding will enable the launch of 20 camps across 13 counties, serving up to 1,500 students, providing structured mentorship, sports-based leadership training, and mental health support.

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

Multi-tiered program integrating mental health support, cognitive development, and physical wellness. Students receive resilience training, critical thinking development, and sports-based leadership growth.

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

Free on-site mental health support from licensed professionals, skills training, mentorship in leadership and problem solving, and physical wellness educations for over 1,500 students.



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

Grade-school youth across the 13 counties. Up to 1,500 children will be served through the program.

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

Physical and mental health improvements, leadership skills for participants, mentoring. These outcomes will be measured with qualitative data points following the program to include surveys and other forms of assessments.

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?

Funding Reductions: If the program fails to meet service delivery goals, funding adjustments will be made accordingly. Mandatory Performance Reviews: Equal Shot Inc. will undergo quarterly evaluations to ensure benchmarks are met. Corrective Action Plans: If performance measures are not achieved, a remediation strategy must be implemented before receiving continued funding. Community Transparency Reporting: Public reporting of program outcomes to ensure compliance and stakeholder engagement.

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:

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

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No



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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):

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

d. Phone Number

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