



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2234

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Vista Park currently has five (5) acres of undeveloped land on the north portion of the park. The City's recently approved Parks and Recreation Master Plan identified the need for additional indoor space for the community, with Vista Park being an ideal location. The facility will include a gymnasium with an elevated track and multi-purpose rooms. Vista Park is currently identified as a Point of Distribution (POD) during emergency events. The new facility will serve as a reunification site as well.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?  No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	6,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>6,000,000</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)	6,000,000	25%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	18,000,000	75%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>24,000,000</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)?** No

**c. What is the estimated start date of construction?** 05/01/2025

**d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?** 03/01/2026

**e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?**

The City of Weston's will fund the operations and maintenance through the Department of Parks and Recreation as part of the General Fund.

**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.**

The City of Weston will own the facility and property.

**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		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The funds will be utilized to build a recreation center featuring indoor gymnasiums with an elevated track and multi-purpose rooms. It is part of the transformation of five acres of vacant park land to community recreational amenities. The project will provide items identified as a need for the community through the City's recently adopted Park and Recreation Master Plan.	6,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>6,000,000</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

Vista Park currently has five (5) acres of undeveloped land on the north portion of the park. The City's recently approved Parks and Recreation Master Plan identified the need for additional indoor space for the community, with Vista Park being an ideal location. The facility will include a gymnasium with an elevated track and multi-purpose rooms. Vista Park is currently identified as a Point of Distribution (POD) during emergency events. The new facility will serve as a reunification site as well.



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

The recreation center will provide opportunities for a variety of health, fitness and recreational programs for the community. It will also serve as a Point of Distribution and reunification site during emergencies.

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

The recreation center will provide opportunities for a variety of health, fitness and recreational programs for the community. It will also serve as a Point of Distribution and reunification site during emergencies.

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

The target population is the residents of the City of Weston and neighboring cities. It is anticipated that approximately 20,000 people will be served by the facility's programming and amenities.

**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 result in additional facilities to provide opportunities for exercise and health education. The number of visitors yearly will be measured to determine the benefit. Additionally, the center will allow for an increase in the number of recreational and cultural activities by utilizing the indoor and outdoor facilities. The increase in the number of such activities that the City offers will be measured to determine the benefit.

**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 utilize the funds in the specified manor shall result in funds being returned to the state.

**14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?**  No  Yes

**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):**

n/a - Facility will be used as point of distribution during future natural disasters and emergencies.

**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) City Government

**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**



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d. Phone Number

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