



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2284

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The purpose of the program is to buy a hardware and software for a virtual reality system to train officers in critical incidents and situations to better serve the public. The VR system puts the Officers, while in training, through various scenarios that will teach them to more effectively neutralize threats or deem incidents safe. The VR system saves on space as the headset allows the Officers to see and react to different scenarios and environments without leaving the classroom.

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	300,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	300,000

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)	300,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	300,000	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



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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	VR training system to be used by City of Miami Police Officer, state certified as trainers to train Officers in different critical incidents at all stages of their career when they go to routine training.	300,000
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		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		300,000

13. Program Performance

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

The purpose is to buy a virtual reality system (hardware and software) that simulates critical incidents to train police officers on how to handle these situations more effectively in virtual reality scenarios. The City of Miami Police trainers will be able to achieve this goal, while being in one room. The VR system head ware will have multiple scenarios for the trainers to teach Officers to handle different critical incidents. This will allow Officers to feel the stress of these situations, so if it happens in real life they are able to their job and save the lives.

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



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The VR system is a cost effective and space saving way to run different simulations of real world incidents to show Officers how stressful it can be in critical situations. The City of Miami Police Training Department will have access to these systems to teach police officers to handle these incidents better and learn when to escalate or deescalate in situations.

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

This system will allow officers to save lives more efficiently and effectively. They will learn to escalation and de-escalation techniques using different simulations inputted into the VR simulation through the software. This will allow officers to better serve the community.

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

All active City of Miami Police Officers which attend annual training.

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

It will allow City of Miami state certified training Officers to teach City of Miami Police Officers how to better handle critical incidents and save lives. Officers will go through different scenarios through different times in their career to better learn how to handle pressure and better make split second decisions. They will be critiqued by the trainers and classmates on what they did right, wrong and what can they do to make the outcome satisfactory.

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?

Return money to the state.

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#:

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)?



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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



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