



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2302

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

These funds will be used for boater safety education and focuses on improving public safety for waterfront users county-wide, addressing the urgent demand for better safety measures. Miami-Dade holds the unfortunate distinction of being second in boating accidents in Florida. In response, proposed initiatives include a county-wide Vision Zero Boater Education campaign. This initiative aims to minimize accidents, improve user experiences, and create safer recreational areas, benefiting residents, visitors, and the environment through education.

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	100,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	100,000

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)	100,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	100,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	200,000	100%

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
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	These funds will be used for boater safety education. Proposed initiatives include a county-wide Vision Zero Boater Education campaign. This initiative aims to minimize accidents, improve user experiences, and create safer recreational areas, benefiting residents, visitors, and the environment through education.	100,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		100,000

13. Program Performance

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

These funds will be used for funding boater safety education and programming, which focuses on improving public safety for waterfront users countywide, addressing the urgent demand for better safety measures. Miami-Dade holds the unfortunate distinction of being second in boating accidents in Florida. In response, proposed initiatives include a county-wide Vision Zero Boater Education campaign. This initiative aims to minimize accidents, improve user experiences, and create safer recreational areas, benefiting residents, visitors, and the environment through education.

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



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These funds will contribute directly to the education programming around boater safety education which may include safety courses/workshops, public safety PSA's, and building a county-wide, multi-jurisdictional approach using the County's SMS Alerts System for "Boat Alerts".

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

The appropriation project will provide direct services to citizens through a county-wide Vision Zero Boater Education campaign. This initiative will offer educational resources and outreach to improve boating safety, reduce accidents, and enhance the overall safety and experience for waterfront users, including residents and visitors.

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

The project is targeted to serve the 2.8 million residents of Miami-Dade County, as well as up to 12 million visitors (per year).

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

The expected benefit of this project is a significant reduction in boating accidents and enhanced safety for waterfront users across Miami-Dade County. By implementing the Vision Zero Boater Education campaign, we aim to improve public awareness of safe boating practices, thereby minimizing accidents, promoting responsible behavior, and creating safer, more enjoyable recreational spaces. This will not only benefit residents and visitors, but also contribute to a healthier environment by reducing the risk of waterway incidents that can harm local ecosystems. The methodology for measuring this outcome will involve tracking key metrics before and after the campaign's implementation.

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 meet deliverables will result in nonpayment.

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:



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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)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number **Ext.**

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name



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c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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