



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2324

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Wakulla County seeks funds to purchase a new fire rescue aerial truck. The current truck is 28 years old and is well past its useful life span.

To seek contractual capital equipment purchase through the Wakulla County's procurement policies and procedures for fire rescue ladder truck apparatus needed to address current and new multi-story developments to protect general public, the environment and property from harm and for continued effective and efficient operations of the Wakulla County Fire Rescue Department with adequate and appropriate equipment to continue performing its critical public safety functions.

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	2,100,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	2,100,000

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)	2,100,000	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	2,100,000	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.



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Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

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?

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.

Wakulla County is the owner 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	n/a	0
Other Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	To seek contractual capital equipment purchase through the County's procurement policies and procedures for fire rescue ladder truck apparatus.	2,100,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,100,000

13. Program Performance

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

A new ladder truck is needed and is essential to ensure County coverage of large commercial structures and multi-story residential buildings in emergency situations and to efficiently serve citizens and the community in this Rural Area of Opportunity (RAO) to protect life, health and properties. The current aerial truck was purchased used and is currently 28 years old, which is well past its useful lifespan.

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



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

Direct services to citizens is to have reliable fire equipment to ensure proper response to fire emergencies in Wakulla County that are essential to effectively and efficiently serve citizens, protect life, health, safety and property in this Rural Area of Opportunity.

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

Greater than 37,000 individuals in this rural area of opportunity.

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

Benefit is to protect general public, the environment and property from harm and for continued effective and efficient operations of the Wakulla County Fire Rescue Department with adequate and appropriate equipment to continue performing its critical public safety functions.

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?

Non-payment of invoices until milestones achieved; implementation of corrective action plan. Standard contract penalties are sufficient.

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



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d. Phone Number

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