



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2342

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Replacement of an elevated composite public pedestrian boardwalk at the southern end of Treasure Island on Sunset Beach with an elevated on-grade public pedestrian scenic walkway that can be better maintained for safer public access and will be built to resiliency standards taking into account sea level rise, flood mitigation and storm water advancement. The current structure was destroyed by hurricanes Idalia, Milton and Helen.

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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	511,713
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>511,713</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)	511,713	60%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	335,537	40%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>847,250</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?  Yes

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2024-25	0	599,087	2069A	Yes

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)?** Yes

**c. What is the estimated start date of construction?** 07/01/2025

**d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?** 12/01/2025

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

Land's End at Sunset Beach Community Association, Inc. - Not For Profit under Chapter F.S. 617 will be responsible for upkeep and maintenance through association maintenance fees.

**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.**

Land's End at Sunset Beach Community Association, Inc. - Not For Profit under Chapter F.S. 617  
 Landholdings are governed by a reciprocal access and easement agreement.

**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	Construction of the public walkway. The project is shovel ready and has been competitively bid.	511,713
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>511,713</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

Replacement of an elevated composite public pedestrian boardwalk at the southern end of Treasure Island on Sunset Beach with an elevated on-grade public pedestrian scenic walkway that can be better maintained for safer public access and will be built to resiliency standards taking into account sea level rise, flood mitigation and storm water advancement. The current structure was destroyed by hurricanes Idalia, Milton and Helen.

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



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Recreation, transportation and educational. The southern end of Sunset Beach has well utilized public amenities including this walkway, Sunset Beach Pavilion, playground, and two public parking lots, Heron and Sunset Beach Pavilion Parking, all connected and surrounded by Sunset beach and Blind Pass. The Walkway ties this area together. It is for all ages and abilities enhancing the connectivity of Treasure Island and surrounding cities. This Public Scenic Walkway is an important public amenity that is barrier-free, wheelchair-friendly, can continue to be enjoyed by a broad constituency of residents and visitors for public pedestrian access. This public boardwalk provides expanded connectivity to our neighborhoods due to the proximity of public parking areas.

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

This Public Scenic pedestrian walkway provides the 'only' safe connection to Treasure Island civic parking and recreational amenities. This public scenic pedestrian walkway offers the opportunity for a more connected and workable community. This Walkway ties this area together for all ages and abilities, those fishing, beachgoers, birdwatchers, joggers, and people who just wish to take a walk.

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

Any and all visitors to Sunset Beach in Treasure Island Florida including elderly persons, persons with disabilities, poor health, mental health, jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, grade school, high school and university school along with others in general.

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

Completion of a community surveys.

Improve transportation conditions - This Public Scenic pedestrian walkway provides the 'only' safe connection to Treasure Island civic parking and recreational amenities. This public scenic pedestrian walkway offers the opportunity for a more connected and workable community. Increase or improve economic activity and tourism - This Public Scenic pedestrian walkway serves to increase tourist and visitor rental activity by providing a desirable amenity for Pinellas and Florida tourism.

Improve wastewater and storm water management and improve groundwater and surface water quality. The public scenic walkway will use methods such as grading, vegetation, soils and an ex-filtration bed that will absorb and filter to help minimize erosion and water pollution, combat sea level rise, flood mitigation, storm water advancement.

**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 partial or total return of funds/reversion of funds to administering agency

**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):**

Hurricanes Idalia, Milton and Helen.

**15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?**

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received



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- 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
- 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) Not For Profit F.S.Ch.61 7



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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.*