



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2345

**1. Project Title**

**2. Senate Sponsor**

**3. Date of Request**

**4. Project/Program Description**

The Oaks at Ridgecrest is a redeveloped community located on the 30-acre site of the former Rainbow Village public housing community. Oaks at Ridgecrest 248 units of family attainable and workforce housing. The PCHA seeks to build the community center that will be centrally located and accessible to the entire Oaks at Ridgecrest community. The Center will offer gathering and recreation spaces, resident service and education programs. It will also serve as a storm shelter for community residents.

**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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,500,000</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)	1,500,000	43%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	2,000,000	57%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>3,500,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

**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.**

General funds approved by the PCHA board



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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?

01/15/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

01/29/2027

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

Oaks at Ridgecrest rental and operating revenue, and Pinellas County Housing Authority funds.

### 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.

Pinellas County Housing Authority (PCHA) and Grand Oaks Apartments, LLLP. PCHA owns the land that is ground leased to the various ownership entities that developed the Oaks at Ridgecrest development, the last of which is Grand Oaks Apartments, LLLP. PCHA is also a partner within Grand Oaks Apartments, LLLP, which is the owner entity for the third and final phase of housing development at the Oaks at Ridgecrest.

### 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 Community Center improvements, which will include the Community Center building and site improvements to include sports courts, green space and play fields, and a walking/fitness trail.	1,500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,500,000</b>

### 13. Program Performance

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



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The Oaks at Ridgecrest Community Center (ORCC) will serve as a space where residents and families can gather, socialize participate in recreational, educational, and supportive services, and to facilitate interaction and connection with the surrounding Ridgecrest community. It will also serve as a storm shelter.

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

Recreational activities in the sports court and green space/play yard areas, employment assistance program, financial management program, homeownership opportunity program, and adult literacy programs.

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

Recreational activities in the sports court and green space/play yard areas, employment assistance program, financial management program, homeownership opportunity program, and adult literacy programs.

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

The ORCC will serve multi-generational families. This translates to approximately 620 residents from within the Oaks at Ridgecrest, and the ORCC will also serve residents in the greater Ridgecrest community.

**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 the ORCC is to improve the overall well-being of the Ridgecrest community by providing community space for services and various activities. PCHA will facilitate these services at the ORCC.

**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 of funds

**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) Pinellas Housing Authority

**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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