



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2376

1. Project Title
2. Senate Sponsor
3. Date of Request

**4. Project/Program Description**

The Pinecrest Stormwater Conservation Area is located at the site of the former Pinecrest Golf Course. The City of Largo purchased the property to achieve a number of goals including creating a master stormwater pond, improve water quality, mitigate flood risk to nearby homes and businesses, and provide passive recreation including connectivity to the Pinellas Trail. This project is a priority of the City of Largo after this area experienced record flooding during Hurricane Milton that resulted in the closure of HCA Largo Hospital and damaged many homes. This funding request is for the initial design and permitting phase of the project.

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	1,900,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,900,000</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)	1,900,000	59%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,300,000	41%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>3,200,000</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.
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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?

01/04/2027

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/30/2029

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

The city will pursue construction funds through the FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program, FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grant Program, Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) grants, and the Resilient Florida Grant Program.

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.

City of Largo

### 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	Design and Permitting for the 26 acre Pinecrest Stormwater Conservation Area	1,900,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,900,000</b>

### 13. Program Performance

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

Completion of design and permitting for the initial phase of the Pinecrest Stormwater Conservation Area project.

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



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The City of Largo will contract with an outside firm for design and permitting of the project using the requested funds.

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

No direct services to citizens will be provided.

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

The target population to be served by this project is the nearby medical arts district, businesses, and neighborhoods in the McKay Creek Watershed that are at high risk for flooding.

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

Mitigation of flood risk to the medical arts district and McKay Creek subdivision as well as providing passive recreation and connectivity to the Pinellas Trail.

**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?**

Failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided in the contract could include forfeiture of funds or disqualification from requesting future appropriations.

**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):**

Hurricane Milton

**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#:**

N/A

**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



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No

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a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

### Please complete questions 17 through 21 for Water Projects only.

17. Have you been awarded or applied for alternative state funding for this project?

- Water Quality Improvement Grant Program
- Resilient Florida Grant Program
- Wastewater Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify, ex. Alternative Water Supply Grants)
- N/A

18. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

19. What is the status of construction?

Design and Permitting phase

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2029

22. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name

Chris

Last Name

Hawks

b. Organization

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c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number  Ext.

#### 23. 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.

#### 24. 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.*